



A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

August 2, 2026

10:00 am



St. Savin - Calling of Abraham, from *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt University Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.



Welcome! Your presence in the worshipping community is a gift! Please be sure to let us know you're here by using your phone's camera to scan the QR code. If you have the Connect app, you may also check in using Realm.

Large print bulletins are available at each entrance.

Hearing devices are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Nursery is available for children through age 5.

At the sign * you may rise in body or spirit.

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

Please be aware that you may be visible on the livestream camera at any time during worship.

We Gather at God's Call

For Silent Meditation

At the very foundation of Christian faith stands the towering figure of Abraham. God sends him to be "a blessing for the world." "But if he is to be a blessing, he cannot stay; he must depart, cutting the ties that so profoundly defined him. The only guarantee that the venture will not make him wither away like an uprooted plant was the word of God..." Now, "departure is part and parcel of Christian identity."

(Miroslav Volf, *Exclusion and Embrace*)

Sounding of the Chimes

Pouring of the Water

Malcolm Coy

Welcome and Announcements

John P. Leggett

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy

Michael Burkhardt

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*Call to Worship

Jenna Coy

As we gather this day, each of us brings something to worship—

We bring the burdens of the week.

We bring prayers of hope, and prayers of anguish.

We bring our voices, and our offerings, and our questions.

We bring our faith, tattered or whole as it may be.

We bring all this to each other and to God—the one we have gathered to worship.

*Hymn 4 (Vss. 1-2, 4)

Holy God, We Praise Your Name GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

Call to Confession

Jackie Graves

Prayer of Confession

**God of great mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you.
You provide our daily bread;
still we hunger for other things.
You give your word to guide us;
still we surrender to temptation.
You send us out,
still we are reluctant to go.
Create a clean heart within us,
teach us your holy way,
and restore the joy of your salvation.**

(Silence for personal confession)

Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Promise of Forgiveness

The Lord is generous to all who call on God’s name. Let us believe the good news: God does not turn away from us, but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom offered in Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Musical Offering *Let All Talents and Tongues Employ* Bradley Ellingboe
Summer Choir ©1997 Hope Publishing Co.

*Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the word around: loaves abound.*

We Listen for the Word of God

Children at the Chancel Jenna Coy

Chil - dren wel - come in the name of Je - sus. Chil - dren wel - come

in the name of love. All are wel - come in the name of

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Words and Music by David L. Edwards ©2001

Children Are Invited to W.O.W. (Worship Our Way)
*Children can be picked up on the 3rd floor outside Rooms 300 and 301.
We will complete our worship by 11:00 am.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Genesis 12:1-9

Sermon *With Nothing but a Promise and a Prayer* John P. Leggett
Sermons from Genesis: The Call of God's Promise

*An Affirmation of Faith

**God chose one people for the sake of all.
To the world in its rebellion and alienation,
God promised blessing and restoration.
The Lord chose Abraham and his descendants
as bearers of that promise for all peoples.
They had done nothing more than others
to deserve the Lord's favor,
but God loved them and made them God's own.
We acknowledge God's freedom and grace.
Though we are unworthy,
the Lord has made us his own in Christ.
God has chosen us to be servants for the sake of the world,
and destined us to be God's daughters and sons,
giving us love and life,
calling us to worship and honor him.**

(From A Declaration of Faith)

*Hymn 51

To Abraham and Sarah

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We Respond to God with Thanksgiving

Concerns and Celebrations

Katherine Redmond

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering



*No matter how or where we give, our giving is an act of worship.
You may share your gifts by placing them
in one of the offering plates by each sanctuary door,
mailing them to the church office,
or through the secure online link to give electronically.
Or text 2PRESLEX and any amount to 73256 to give.*

God Feeds Us at the Table

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Katherine Redmond

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

We will come forward to receive the bread and the cup.

Please move toward the center aisle, where two lines will move toward the servers.

*Take a piece of bread and eat; then move to the outside
to take and drink the cup from the tray.*

*Place your used cups in the white bowl on your way back
and move back to your seat by the outside aisle.*

*Please raise your hand to signal you wish to be served in your seat
when the presider asks, "**Have all been fed?**"*

Feel free to sing these hymns with the choir during the serving:

525 — *Let Us Break Bread Together*

175 — *Seek Ye First, Vs. 1*

227 — *Jesus, Remember Me*

God Sends Us to the World

*Prayer after Communion		Katherine Redmond
*Hymn 295 (Vss. 1-3)	<i>Go to the World!</i>	SINE NOMINE
*Charge and Blessing		John P. Leggett
*Postlude	<i>Trumpet Tune in F</i>	David Lasky
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Today's flowers are given in memory of **all Presbyterian Women** who have entered chapter eternal by the Beth Wachs Circle.

2026 Sanctuary Flowers: Donating floral bouquets adds to the beauty of our sanctuary on Sundays and gives you a chance to remember a loved one. You are also welcome to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, wedding, or baptism. Scan the QR code on page 7 to see the Sundays we have open, or contact the church office (859-254-7768).

This Week at Second

Sunday, August 2 9:30 am Summer Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Lemonade in the Courtyard	Thursday, August 6 <i>No events scheduled.</i>
Monday, August 3 9:30 am Coffee and Conversation (Gathering Place)	Friday, August 7 <i>No events scheduled.</i>
Tuesday, August 4 10:00 am Staff Meeting	Saturday, August 8 9:00 am Saturday Book Group (Forum)
Wednesday, August 5 6:30 am Men's Book Group (Zoom)	Sunday, August 9 9:30 am Summer Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Lemonade in the Courtyard 11:15 am Deacons Meeting

Upcoming Events:

August 9: Blessing of the Backpacks
September 13: Return to Regular Worship Schedule
September 13: Sunday School Kick Off (Fellowship Hall)

Children & Youth Announcements

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Blessing of the Backpacks: Students, teachers, administrators, coaches, staff members, and anyone involved in education are invited to bring your backpack, or other tools of your office, to worship on **NEXT Sunday, August 9th** during the 10:00 worship.

Mark your calendars for our Youth and Children Sunday School Kick-Off: All children, youth, and their parents are invited to join us for our annual Sunday School kick-off on **September 13th at 9:30 am** in Fellowship Hall! We will have breakfast goodies (fruit, muffins, water and juice), parents can turn in the annual registration and release forms and youth and children can meet their teachers! **Come join us as we begin a new year of learning and growing in faith together as followers of Jesus!**

Other Announcements

Sign-ups for all events can be found by scanning the QR code.

Additional information is available on our website.



Summer Choir returns today! All youth and adults are welcome to join us at **9:30 am in the sanctuary** in preparation for the 10:00 service. Singers will receive the anthem of the day, a choir folder, and a warm welcome. Anthems are chosen to be prepared in a very short time. **You are welcome for any or all Sundays in August!**

Lemonade in the Courtyard will take place today following the service. Please exit the sanctuary by the door to your left. An elevator or stairwell will take you to the lower level. This is a wonderful way to get to know others in our church family!

School Supply Drive: It's soon going to be back to school time for the students in Fayette County; you are invited to participate in the **Back to School supply drive for the students at Westminster Village. Visit the table set up in the Gathering Place** to pick up a detailed listing of items needed. Items may be dropped off at that same table. **School begins August 12th;** please consider helping these children be prepared to have a great school year! If you don't feel up to shopping, or are still unsure as to what is most needed, you may send in a donation to the church office with the notation of *Westminster Village School Supplies* and your shopping will be done for you.

Coffee & Conversation: Join Pastor John, various staff members, and unknown others from the congregation **each Monday morning from 9:30-10:30 am** (or so) in the Gathering Place.

During the summer months, remember to bring your non-perishable food items on Sunday, or during office hours, and place them in the **God's Pantry Blue Barrel**, located at the bottom of the steps near the youth entrance.

Church Prayer List: Please contact the church office if you would like to add yourself or someone else to our prayer list. To keep the congregation's prayer list focused on immediate prayer concerns, we will ordinarily remove names and causes after three weeks. You may also contact the church office if you wish to have a name or cause on our prayer list for an extended period.

Women's Saturday Discussion Group meets each Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Forum Room. Contact Amy Palmer (859-825-8703) for details.

Men's Book Group meets each Wednesday (6:30-7:30 a.m.) by Zoom. Contact Shawn Caudill (timothy.caudill@uky.edu or 859-608-6662 for Zoom instructions and details.

Blue bins are available at each sanctuary exit for you to **recycle your bulletin.**

Prayer Concerns

In Our Church Family

Kathy Blomquist
Julia Leopold
Sally Bradford
Libby Messer
Robbie Messer
Marilyn Smedley

Carol Karutz (Cathy Rogers's mother)
Nellie Little
Jorene Terry
Dwight Carpenter
Kenny Leatherman
David Porter

Global Concerns

You may keep up with the most recent and ongoing responses of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance from the link on our church website, or by going directly to the denomination's website at www.pcusa.org. Your gifts support good and important work.

Church Staff

Gary L. Anderson, Director of Music and Covenant Choir
Martha Anderson, Organist
Katie Baird, Assistant Director of Children and Youth
Jenna Coy, Director of Children and Youth
Jackie Graves, Parish Nurse
Scarlet Hall, Director of Finance and Operations
Jerry Huddleston, Security
Evelyn Kramer, Clerk of Session
John P. Leggett, Pastor
Robert Lockard, Maintenance/Security
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