

***FRIENDSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH U.S.A.
10123 Black River Road
New Zion, South Carolina***

66th ANNUAL HOMECOMING SERVICE

THEME:

***“We’ve Come This Far by Faith”
Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the
conviction of things not seen.
Hebrews 11:1***



***Sunday, September 28, 2025
9:00 A.M.***

***Reverend Carnell Hampton, Moderator
Elder Sylvia Ivey, Clerk of Session***

Elder Morris Smith, Jr., Liturgist
Deacon Dr. Shelia G. Stukes, Musician

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*CHORAL INTROIT ... "AAH" ... No. 222

"We've Come This Far By Faith"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: *We observe this day as the Lord's Day, giving thanks to God, who gives justice to the oppressed, who forgives us and redeems us, and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.*

People: ***Let us worship the One who is worthy of our praise!***

*HYMN ... "PH" ... No. 276

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

We are not here to pass judgment on each other: all of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Therefore, let us go before God as we offer our confession.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Judge, we admit we have double standards. We seek forgiveness for ourselves, but fail to forgive others. We seek relief for ourselves, but fail to seek relief for others. We seek leniency for ourselves, but fail to show that mercy to others. Forgive us, mighty God, and help us to forgive, showing others the same grace and mercy that you have generously shown to us. AMEN.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, hear and believe: God does not deal with us according to our sins but according to God's own steadfast love for us. As far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our sins from us. Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

GREETINGS ... Ms. Ashleigh Smith

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MUSICAL SELECTION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Old Testament ... Proverbs 31:10-31

New Testament ... - Luke 15:25-32

MORNING PRAYER

RESPONSE ... "AAH" ... No. 462

"Sanctuary"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS ... Elder Sylvia Ivey

*HYMN ... "RH" ... No. 348

"Faith of Our Fathers"

MESSAGE *Helmar* ... 11:8.. Reverend Carnell Hampton

*INVITATION HYMN ... "RH" ... No. 383

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

*APOSTLE'S CREED

FINANCIAL REPORT ... Deacon Miriam Smith

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

REMARKS

GRACE

*CLOSING HYMN ... "PH" ... No. 536

"Lord Make Us More Holy"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND

We extend a very warm welcome to all who worship with us today. We pray that this experience of praise, prayer, preaching and celebrating will greatly enrich your life.