

The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

November 9, 2025 10:30am

GATHFR

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

You are invited to greet those around you and share signs of Christ's peace.

GATHERING SONG

Let Us Build a House stanzas 1 & 3

No. 301

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain: All are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place!

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat; a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: Refrain

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 98

Andy Chrestman, liturgist

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

We will break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord;

Make a joyful noise with trumpet and the sound of the horn.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

The floods clap their hands and the hills sing out together;

Let us join in the joyful song of creation.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

No. 645

Hymn numbers correspond to the pages in the red or purple *Glory to God* hymn book in the pew rack in front of you. All music and hymns for this service are from *Glory to God*, *The Presbyterian Hymnal* and used with permission. CCLI # 21252663; One License # A-740905.

^{*}You are invited to stand.

Please join in saying/singing aloud the responses printed in bold.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have hidden our light and failed to share the love of Christ. Gracious God, we confess that we are too easily influenced by peddlers of despair and alarm, too quick to sink into numbness and apathy, too tired to imagine another way. Our hopes have crumbled, and our hearts are faint. Breathe new life into us, we pray. Help us to be mindful of your promises, your faithfulness, and your presence as we face the challenges of our lives. Restore our vision and give us courage to live in your truth. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Response to Pardon Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing stanza 3

No. 475

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

During the Response to Pardon, the young (and young at heart!) are invited to come forward to sit in the front row of chairs by the piano in preparation for the Time with Children.

PROCLAIM

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Following the Time with Children, worshipers ages 3-7 (-ish) may remain in worship or choose to attend Sunday school in the Fellowship Hall.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Epistle Reading 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

NRSVue

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Luke 20:27-38

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Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Just An Honest Question

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RESPOND

* HYMN OF RESPONSE When We Are Living

No. 822

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Theological Declaration of Barmen

As Jesus Christ is God's comforting pronouncement of the forgiveness of all our sins, so, with equal seriousness, he is also God's vigorous announcement of his claim upon our whole life.

Through him there comes to us joyful liberation from the godless ties of this world for free, grateful service to his creatures. We reject the false doctrine that there could be areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ but to other lords, areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.

OPPORTUNITIES TO MINISTER, CONNECT, AND SERVE

- Send a card or make a phone call to someone in special need of love and support.
- Bring non-perishable food items for the Jefferson Food Bank (leave in bin outside sanctuary).
- Bring donuts or other treats for Sunday fellowship time before and after worship.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

During this time, you are invited to make a financial contribution to LPC. You may do so by placing cash or a check (payable to "LPC") in the offering plate, or give by credit card by using the QR code to be directed to our online giving page. You are also encouraged to be in prayer about how you can use your time and talents to serve God and neighbor this week.



PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

...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 debts¹ 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.

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*SENDING HYMN Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! No. 839

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Sung Response Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow No. 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Following the Postlude, you are invited to enjoy refreshments, coffee, and conversation in the Fellowship Hall.

Worship may be over, but our service has just begun.

¹ When saying the Lord's Prayer, some prefer to use the words "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us" or "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Please pray as you feel led.

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We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us.

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in a welcoming atmosphere of worship, prayer, and fellowship,
while spreading the love of Jesus Christ
through Christian education and outreach, wherein all are welcome.

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