11:00 am Worship September 28, 2025

## WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Call to Worship (Hymn #387) "The Lord is in His Holy Temple" Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader:

Prelude: (arr. Lari Goss) "Amazing Grace!"

\*Salutation and Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 146)

Come! Praise the Lord!

Praise God for the heavens and the earth and all that is in them! Come! Praise the Lord!

Praise God who feeds the hungry and uplifts the downtrodden! Come! Praise the Lord!

Praise God who gives sight to the blind and sets prisoners free! Come! Praise the Lord!

The Lord will reign forever! Praise the Lord!

\*Hymn: "Praise the Name of Jesus" (x2) Hymn #115

\*The Gloria Patri Hymnal # 734
Walks with Jesus Pastor John McCarthy
First Scripture: Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16 Pew Bible #581

Prayers of the People (see list below)

Choral Call to Prayer "O How He Loves You and Me" Choir
The Lord's Prayer Hymnal - Inside Front Cover

\*Hymn: "There Is a Redeemer" Hymn# 117

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology Hymn #34

\*Prayer

Anthem: (Hymn #95) "Praise Him! Praise Him!" Choir

#### WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Pew Bible #768
Sermon: "The Lord of Redemption" Rev. John McCarthy
Prayer

### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Apostles' Creed Hymnal – Inside Front Cover \*Hymn: "Amazing Grace!" Hymn #422

\*Charge and Blessing

\* Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

#### **Directives for Prayer**

Art & Andrea Carter, OMF

Shut-in/not attending: Patricia Burton

- Full Prayer list listed in monthly newsletter – copies available at each entrance

We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a blue visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.

**Listening devices** are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary.

**Prayer Cards** are available in each pew. If you would like a card sent to someone we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send a card the following week.

**Flowers** – given in praise and celebration of God's Autumnal Majesty and the bountiful blessings of the Harvest season. To God be the glory!

**Ushers** – serving today Robert Guthrie at the North Door and Sandi Hughes\* at the South Door. Acolyte today is Liam McCarthy. Audio is Don Cherry.

## This Week's Announcements

**Women's Bible Study –** Wednesday, October 1 at 10:30 am in the Philathea Room. The study is the book of Romans.

**Good Samaritan** – September collection: After School snacks. October Collection is: First Pres Emergency Pantry supplies

**Operation Christmas Child** – September collection: We collected our full amount needed to send 50 boxes. Thank you everyone who helped with this portion. We still need a few items. Look for further information to come regarding needed items.

**Communion** – Our next Communion will be Sunday, October 5.

Greeting Card Ministry – Tuesday, October 7 at 10:30 am

**Diaconate** – Next meeting will be Sunday, October 12 after worship.

**5 Cents-a-Meal Collection** – Sunday October 19

**Session** – Sunday, October 19

**Congregational Meeting** – The next congregational meeting will be held Sunday, November 9 to elect new officers.



<sup>\*</sup>Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession: Ps. 51:1-4, 12, 17

<sup>&</sup>quot;1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. <sup>2</sup> Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. <sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. <sup>4</sup> Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge... <sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me... <sup>17</sup> My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise". In the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen

<sup>\*</sup>Silent Confession of Sin

<sup>\*</sup>Assurance of Pardon: John 3:16-17

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven!

## **Calendar**

Sunday, September 28 9:45 am - Sunday School

10:30 am - Fellowship 11:00 am - Worship

Wednesday, October 1 10:30 am – Women's Bible Study

12:00 noon - AA 6:00 pm - Choir 6:00 pm - NA

Thursday, October 2 7:00 pm - AA

Friday, October 3 Office Closed 12 noon – AA

Mike Rand

#### **Church Staff**

Rev. John McCarthy - Pastor Sherolyn Barnett, Office Manager Jim Luedtke, Church Musician Sue Wilkins, Church Treasurer

#### Session

Rev. John McCarthy – Moderator Don Cherry – Clerk of Session

Class of 2025 Class of 2026 Class of 2027
Robert Guthrie Kim Albert Don Cherry

Les Powell

Colter Wickemeyer

Joni Owens

#### Diaconate

Sterling Roberts - Chair

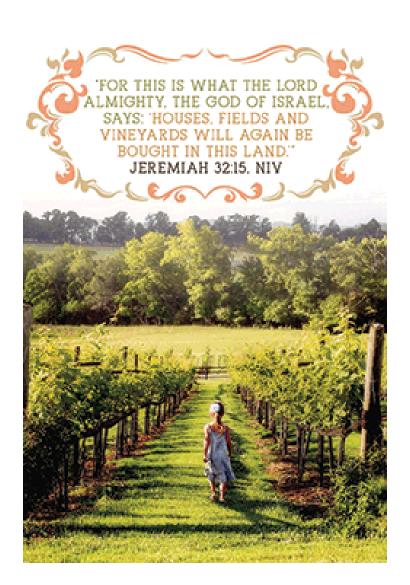
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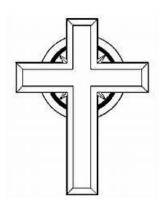
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#### Our Missionaries

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**Mission Statement** 

# "Growing God's Presence"

Foundational Principles

Christ Centered~Biblically Based~ Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love Values

Committed~Servant Heart~ Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning

No nursery will be provided at this time.

Children's Church (Jesus Squad) meets during Sunday School time 5 cents-a-meal Offering collected the third Sunday of each month. Worship every Sunday at 11:00 am; Sunday School is at 9:30 am. Fellowship at 10:15 am. Internet: 1stPres: Romans3:24

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