

 **PERSEVERANCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH** 

~Disciples of Christ~
~Rev. Donna Webster ~
June 7, 2026

Pianist.....Sue W. Palmer

Prelude

(The prelude is a musical curtain drawn between the cares of the world and us. Let these moments prepare us for worship by opening our hearts to God's presence as we meditate.)

Lighting of the Candles

GATHERING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Call to Worship.....“Jesus Lifted Me”.....522
*Invocation.....Rachel Moore
*Opening Hymn.....“We Are Called To Be God’s People”.....415

PRAYING TO GOD

Welcome and Announcement.....Rachel Moore
Prayer Concerns.....Rachel Moore
Meditation and Morning Prayer.....Rev. Webster

COMMUNING WITH GOD

Invitation to Communion.....Rev. Webster
Communion Hymn.....“In Remembrance”.....461
Sharing of the Bread & Cup.....*Everyone is welcome at the Lord’s table we partake together after all are served.*

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offertory Prayer.....Rachel Moore
Offering
*Doxology.....*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

LISTENING TO GOD

Special Music
Scripture.....Matthew 9:9-13 & 18-26
Message.....“Following Jesus”Rev. Webster

SENDING FORTH THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Hymn of Invitation.....“Here I Am, Lord”.....589
*Benediction



Welcome to Perseverance Christian Church on this **FIRST** Sunday in **JUNE!** We provide a nursery for children ages four and younger; it and the restrooms are located in the hallway behind the sanctuary’s left and right doors. Additionally, there is a chairlift for anyone in need, and it may be accessed to the left door of the men’s restroom. *We are live-streaming our Worship Service to reach those unable to attend in person. Recording of services can be found on our website, www.perseverancecece.org, on our PCC mobile app, or on our Facebook page.* Come back and worship with us again!

Announcements:

Today: Praise Choir 6 PM

Communion Update: Beginning this Sunday, Communion will be served as it was before COVID, with the bread and juice trays passed separately. Pre-filled Communion cups will still be available in the vestibules before worship.

The Membership Committee is putting together the June Newsletter immediately following today’s worship service. Any help would be appreciated.

WEDNESDAY: Bible Study 6:30 PM.

Join us for Vacation Bible School on Saturday, July 25, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM! Led by Revs. Donna and Jonathan Webster, this exciting one-day VBS is open to children ages 4–12. This year's theme, *The Sharing Lunch*, explores the story of Jesus feeding the 5,000. Registration is required by July 20. Sign up today at www.perseveranceccc.org/vbs-2026.

Matthew 9:9–13, 18–26 — “Following Jesus.”

1. Jesus said to Matthew, “_____ me,” and he got up and followed him. (*“Follow me” — Matthew 9:9*)
2. On the road with Jesus, Matthew encounters a grieving _____ and a woman sick for _____ years. (*“My daughter has just died...”; “twelve years” — Matthew 9:18, 20*)
3. The woman said, “If I only _____ his cloak, I will be made well.” (*“touch” — Matthew 9:21*)
4. Jesus told her, “Take heart, daughter; your _____ has made you well.” (*“faith” — Matthew 9:22*)
5. Jesus said of the girl, “She is not dead but _____.” (*“sleeping” — Matthew 9:24*)
6. As disciples, we will often be _____ beyond our comfort zones.
7. Our denomination calls us a movement for _____ in a fragmented world.
8. God’s strength is made perfect in our _____. (*2 Corinthians 12:9*)
9. Jesus invites us to co-create a world that is more _____, _____, _____, and _____.
10. At the Table, we welcome all because God has welcomed _____.



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Follow Jesus



MATTHEW 9:13 (NIV)

*“But go and learn what this means:
“I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”
For I have not come to call the righteous,
but sinners.”*



FIX YOUR EYES ON JESUS.
KEEP GOING. HE IS FAITHFUL.