

PERSEVERANCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

~Disciples of Christ~
~Rev. Donna Webster ~
October 4, 2026

World Communion Sunday

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.....“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”.....403
*Invocation.....Caroline Borum
*Opening Hymn..... “The Solid Rock”526
*Responsive Reading.....“World Communion Sunday”.....Caroline Borum

PRAYING TO GOD

Welcome and Announcement.....Caroline Borum
Prayer Concerns.....Caroline Borum
Meditation and Morning Prayer.....Rev. Webster

COMMUNING WITH GOD

Invitation to Communion.....Rev. Webster
Communion Hymn.....“One Bread, One Body”.....On Screen
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.....Caroline Borum
Offering
*Doxology.....*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

LISTENING TO GOD

Special Music.....Sue W. Palmer
Scripture.....Matthew 21:33-46
Message.....“Trusted with the Vineyard”.....Rev. Webster

SENDING FORTH THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Hymn of Invitation.....“Trust & Obey”.....571
*Benediction



Welcome to Perseverance Christian Church on this **FIRST** Sunday in OCTOBER!

This is World Communion Sunday! 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. Service recordings are available on our website at www.perseverancecce.org, in our PCC mobile app, or on our Facebook page.* Come back and worship with us again!

Announcements:

TODAY: Reconciliation Special Offering is being collected today. This offering is an invitation to move beyond restoration and help build a more just, faithful, and hopeful community. Your advocacy and financial support are much appreciated.

*The flowers in the sanctuary are in memory of Jean S. Potts on her birthday October 1st. She would have been 98 years old. Given by her family.

Praise Choir – 6 PM

WEDNESDAY– Bible Study – 6:30 PM – Read Chapter 3

Lunenburg County Ministry needs the following items - spam, Vienna sausages, beans and franks, chicken, ham, potted meat. Variety packs oatmeal, peanut butter. Spinach, green peas, chicken noodle soup.

Matthew 21:33–46 ~ Trusted with the Vineyard

- 1. What did the landowner do before leasing out the vineyard?** A. Built a farmhouse B. Planted a vineyard, fenced it, dug a winepress, and built a watchtower C. Hired workers to tend the vines D. Sold the land to the tenants
- 2. What happened when the landowner sent his servants to collect the harvest?** A. The tenants paid them generously B. The tenants hid from them C. The tenants beat, killed, and stoned them D. The tenants asked for more time
- 3. Why did the landowner finally send his son?** A. He had no more servants B. He hoped the tenants would respect his son C. The tenants requested to speak with the son D. The son insisted on going
- 4. What did the tenants say when they saw the son?** A. “Let’s welcome him.” B. “Let’s hide from him.” C. “This is the heir; let’s kill him and take his inheritance.” D. “Let’s negotiate with him.”
- 5. According to the listeners, what would the landowner do to the wicked tenants?** A. Forgive them and let them stay B. Put them to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to others C. Sell the vineyard D. Move to another country
- 6. What scripture does Jesus quote in this passage?** A. “The Lord is my shepherd.” B. “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.” C. “Blessed are the peacemakers.” D. “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”
- 7. What does Jesus say will happen to the kingdom of God?** A. It will be hidden until the end times B. It will be taken away and given to a people who produce its fruits C. It will remain only with Israel D. It will be destroyed by the tenants

