

# HOPE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

May 17, 2026



*Welcome one another  
as Christ has welcomed you,  
for the glory of God.*

Romans 15:7

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## THIS SUNDAY

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL**: This Sunday at **9:30AM** we continue studying New Testament letters to the churches.
- **POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP**: Everyone is invited to share in a meal and fellowship with us after the morning worship service downstairs in the fellowship hall.
- **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**: Join us this Sunday at **5:30PM** in the sanctuary. See service details on page 13 at the end of this bulletin (or the church calendar on our app or website).

## NEXT WEEK

- **BIBLE STUDY**: We will continue our study of Paul's letter to the Romans next **Tuesday** (May 19) at **7:00PM**. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person or online via Zoom (see the weekly Tuesday email for the Zoom link).
- **PACIFIC NORTHWEST PRESBYTERY**: The next meeting will be held here at Hope next **Thursday** and **Friday** (May 21 & 22). We need volunteers to help in various ways.
- **KITCHEN REMODEL**: Work begins on Tuesday June 2. Volunteers are needed to box up all the kitchen contents. We'll do this together next **Saturday** (May 23) beginning at **9:30AM**. Any boxes you can contribute are welcome!  
*NOTE: We will continue our fellowship lunches during remodeling.*

# MORNING WORSHIP



## SILENT PRAYER & INVOCATION

## GREETING

PEOPLE: **Amen!**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

from [Psalm 92:1-2, 12-13](#)

## SONGS OF PRAISE

["Gloria Patri"](#)

#734

**Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

["Soldiers of Christ, Arise"](#)

#575

**Soldiers of Christ, arise,  
and put your armor on,  
strong in the strength which God supplies  
through his eternal Son.  
Strong in the Lord of Hosts,  
and in his mighty pow'r,  
who in the strength of Jesus trusts  
is more than conqueror.**

**Stand then in his great might,  
with all his strength endued;  
but take, to arm you for the fight,  
the panoply of God.**

**Leave no unguarded place,  
no weakness of the soul;  
take ev'ry virtue, ev'ry grace,  
and fortify the whole.**

**To keep your armor bright,  
attend with constant care;  
still walking in your Captain's sight,  
and watching unto prayer.  
From strength to strength go on;  
wrestle and fight and pray;  
tread all the pow'rs of darkness down,  
and win the well-fought day.**

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## SUMMONS TO REPENTANCE

[Matthew 7:17-23](#)

## CONFESSING OUR SIN

**Our sovereign Lord God, Creator and King, your Word clearly tells us about the righteous and the wicked. The fruit of the wicked is like chaff that the wind drives away, for they do not delight in you, O Lord, nor in your holy Law, and so in the end they perish. We confess that in our sin we walk in wickedness and scornful rebellion against you. Help us, our Father, to walk in a manner worthy of our calling in Christ Jesus. In our Savior plant us in your streams of living water that we might abundantly bear the fruit of righteousness. We put our faith, hope, and trust in you, and thank you for your great love, rich mercy, and immeasurable grace.**

## SILENT CONFESSON OF SIN

**IN THESE MOMENTS, WE SILENTLY CONFESS OUR PERSONAL SINS  
TO GOD SO THAT WE MAY TAKE HOLD OF THE FORGIVENESS  
WON FOR US BY CHRIST, OUR REDEEMER.**

**O Jesus, we adore thee,  
upon the cross, our King!  
We bow our hearts before thee,  
thy gracious name we sing.  
That name hath brought salvation,  
that name in life our stay,  
our peace, our consolation,  
when life shall fade away.**

**Yet doth the world disdain thee,  
still passing by the cross;  
Lord, may our hearts retain thee;  
all else we count but loss.  
Ah, Lord, our sins arraigned thee,  
and nailed thee to the tree:  
our pride, our Lord, disdained thee;  
yet deign our hope to be.**

**O glorious King, we bless thee,  
no longer pass thee by;  
O Jesus, we confess thee  
the Son enthroned on high.  
Lord, grant to us remission;  
life through thy death restore;  
yea, grant us the fruition  
of life forevermore.**

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## WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

*The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING

[John 15:1-11](#)

<sup>1</sup> "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.

<sup>2</sup> Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of

the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. <sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full."

*"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (Ps 23) #184 (verses 1-3)*

**The King of love my Shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine forever.**

**Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.**

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# PRAYER

[Montenegro \(prayercast.com\)](http://prayercast.com): Tucked between Serbia in the East and the Adriatic Sea in the West, Montenegro boasts Europe's fastest-growing tourist industry. With beautiful coastlines, clear lakes, and abundant beauty in such a compact area, increasing numbers of people are choosing Montenegro as their tourist destination. But despite its breathtaking beauty, the nation's history has been darkened with occupation by the Ottoman Empire, the suppression of Bosniak Muslims, communist regime rule, and militaristic authoritarian rule. Part of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia until 1992, Montenegro joined Serbia as the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia before claiming full independence in 2006. Social unrest and the looming threat of civil war still prevail in the surrounding Slavic nations.

The nation's government, comprised of a parliamentary democracy, has many political parties. Its recent independence has brought a renewed sense of hope and optimism, giving this small nation a greater sense of potential. Joining the European Union and adopting the Euro will hopefully open up many economic opportunities for Montenegrins. But, in the midst of progress, the economy still faces many obstacles. Despite a difficult history of ethnic division, Montenegro desires to step into the future with a strong national identity.

Deep divisions remain between the Serbian and Montenegrin Orthodox Churches, and the Christian population remains predominantly nominal. Additionally, Bosniak Muslims residing in the nation harbor bitterness towards Christians for the way they historically treated the Muslim population. Despite these difficult hurdles, evangelical numbers have grown. Between 2000 and 2005, evangelicals increased five-fold, though still only claiming .03% of the population. Portions of the country remain largely unevangelized.

- Pray for unity and vitality in the small but multiplying churches.
- Pray for God's love to melt ethnic prejudice and hatred.
- Pray for softened hearts to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MINISTER'S PRAYER,  
THE CONGREGATION SHALL PRAY TOGETHER:

**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 debts, 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.**

## SERMON TEXT

[Hebrews 6:4-8](#)

<sup>4</sup>For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, <sup>5</sup>and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come, <sup>6</sup>and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt. <sup>7</sup>For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated, receives a blessing from God. <sup>8</sup>But if it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and near to being cursed, and its end is to be burned.

## SERMON

*"The Danger of Apostasy"*

# GRATEFUL PRAISE

*“Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness”*

#330

**Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness,  
pierce the clouds of sinful night;  
come, O source of sweetest gladness,  
breathe your life and spread your light.**

**Loving Spirit, God of peace,  
great distributor of grace,  
rest upon this congregation;  
hear, O hear our supplication.**

**From that height which knows no measure,  
as a gracious show’r descend;  
bringing down the richest treasure  
man can wish or God can send.  
Heav’nly Glory, shining down  
from the Father and the Son,  
grant us your illumination;  
rest upon this congregation.**

**Come, O best of all donations  
God can give, or we implore;  
having your sweet consolations  
we need wish for nothing more.  
Come with unction and with pow’r,  
on our souls our graces show’r;  
author of the new creation,  
make our hearts your habitation.**

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# THE LORD'S SUPPER

PLEASE **HOLD** ELEMENTS UNTIL **ALL** ARE SERVED.

**WHITE GRAPE JUICE** IS IN THE TRAYS.

**GLUTEN-FREE BREAD** IS IN THE BOWL IN THE **CENTER** OF THE TRAYS..

MINISTER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

## GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

*"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (Ps 23) #184 (verses 1,4-6)*

**The King of love my Shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine forever.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thine unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth.**

**And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house forever.**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
*alleluia, alleluia!***  
**Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
*alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

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**BENEDICTION**

*Hebrews 13:20-21*

*“May the Peace of God”*

*Songbook*

**May the peace of God our Heav’nly Father,  
and the grace of Christ the risen Son,  
and the fellowship of God the Spirit  
keep our hearts and minds within His love.**

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# EVENING WORSHIP



OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING

*Psalm 37:23–40*

(TH page 798)

HYMN

*“Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me”* (tune: #500)

TH #335

OT SCRIPTURE READING

*Numbers 27*

NT SCRIPTURE READING

*1 Corinthians 11*

PRAYERS

SERMON

*John 3:5–8*

*“The Spirit’s Work in Baptism”*

*(see WCF 28.6, TH page 865)*

SONGS BY REQUEST


CLOSING PRAYER



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