



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

August 23, 2026



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

Romans 15:7

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THIS SUNDAY

- **POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP:** We *are* continuing our fellowship lunches during kitchen remodeling. Everyone is invited to join us after the service downstairs in the fellowship hall.
- **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE:** Join us this Sunday at **5:30PM**. We are currently meeting *downstairs* (we will move upstairs beginning Sep 6). See service details on page 16 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** (Aug 25) at **7:00PM**. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person (we are meeting *downstairs*; will move *upstairs* on **Sept 1**) or online via Zoom (see the weekly Tuesday email for the Zoom link).

THE FOLLOWING WEEK

- **MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP:** On Saturday, **Sep 5** at **8:00AM**.
- **NERF WARS:** On the evening of Saturday, **Sep 5** (details to follow). Please let *Mackenzie Boudreaux* know if you're coming: mbdrx70@hotmail.com or 208-258-4091.

COMING UP

- **PICNIC IN THE PARK:** Everyone is invited to join us on Sunday, **Sep 6** for our picnic after morning worship in the park across the street. Hope provides the food, so just come and enjoy!

- **WEDDING SHOWER**: Ladies of Hope are all invited to attend a wedding shower for Margarita Naumchik, Ben Anderson's fiancée: **Sep 12 at 1:00PM** at the Woodruff home. Please pick up your invitation (which has all the information including gift registry) at the bulletin table in the foyer, or from Lisa Woodruff or Jan Satterfield. School age girls are welcome to attend.
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL**: Classes for all ages at **9:30am** upstairs on Sunday, **Sep 13** with teacher orientation downstairs. Beginning Sunday, **Sep 20**, adult Sunday School will be upstairs and youth downstairs.

MORNING WORSHIP



SILENT PRAYER & INVOCATION

GREETING

MINISTER: Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God
our Father and our Creator, from Christ Jesus
our Lord and our Savior, and from the Holy Spirit
our Helper and our Comforter.

PEOPLE: **Amen!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalms 103:17-18, 21-22

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.**

"O Come, Let us Sing to the Lord" (Ps. 95)

#13

**O come, let us sing to the Lord,
to him our voices raise;
with joyful noise let us the Rock
of our salvation praise.**

**Let us before his presence come
with praise and thankful voice;
let us sing psalms to him with grace,
and make a joyful noise.**

**For God's a great God and great King;
above all gods he is.**

**The depths of earth are in his hand;
the heights of hills are his.**

**To him the spacious sea belongs,
for he the same did make;
the dry land also from his hands
its form at first did take.**

**O come, and let us worship him;
let us bow down withal,
and on our knees before the Lord,
our Maker, let us fall.**

Words from Psalm 95:1-6; *Scottish Psalter* (1650).

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SUMMONS TO REPENTANCE

Isaiah 66:1-4

CONFESSING OUR SIN

**Holy and Sovereign Lord God, enthroned in heaven,
incline your ear to us and hear our cry. Forgive us for
our presumed good works, deeds conceived in our own
minds and hearts by which we think to earn your favor,
but are performed in pride, for our own benefit,
without faith. Create in us clean hearts. Renew a right
spirit within us so that we will humbly and in faith
serve you according to your will. In Christ Jesus our
Savior you have greatly blessed us. We thank you
and praise you, our Father, for your abundant mercy
and measureless grace!**

SILENT CONFESSION 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.**

**Not what my hands have done
can save my guilty soul;
not what my toiling flesh has borne
can make my spirit whole.**

**Not what I feel or do
can give me peace with God;
not all my prayers and sighs and tears
can bear my awful load.**

**Thy work alone, O Christ,
can ease this weight of sin;
thy blood alone, O Lamb of God,
can give me peace within.**

**Thy love to me, O God,
not mine, O Lord to thee,
can rid me of this dark unrest,
and set my spirit free.**

**Thy grace alone, O God,
to me can pardon speak;
thy pow'r alone, O Son of God,
can this sore bondage break.**

**No other work, save thine,
no other blood will do;
no strength, save that which is divine,
can bear me safely through.**

**I bless the Christ of God;
I rest on love divine;
and with unfelt'ring lip and heart,
I call this Savior mine.**

**This cross dispels each doubt;
I bury in his tomb
each thought of unbelief and fear,
each ling'ring shade of gloom.**

**I praise the God of grace;
I trust his truth and might;
he calls me his, I call him mine,
my God, my joy, my light.
'Tis he who saveth me,
and freely pardon gives;
I love because he loveth me,
I live because he lives.**

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith IX.1–3 – Of Free Will

- 1. God has endued the will of man with that natural liberty, that it is neither forced, nor, by any absolute necessity of nature, determined to good, or evil.**
- 2. Man, in his state of innocence, had freedom, and power to will and to do that which was good and well pleasing to God; but yet, mutably, so that he might fall from it.**
- 3. Man, by his fall into a state of sin, has wholly lost all ability of will to any spiritual good accompanying salvation: so as, a natural man, being altogether averse from that good, and dead in sin, is not able, by his own strength, to convert himself, or to prepare himself thereunto.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 40:1-11

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.

¹ I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

² He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

³ He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴ Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

⁵ You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

⁶ In sacrifice and offering you have not delighted, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

⁷ Then I said, "Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me:

⁸ I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

⁹ I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

¹⁰ I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

¹¹ As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!

"O Lord, by Grace Delivered" (Psalm 30) #626 (verses 1-2)

**O Lord, by grace delivered,
I now with songs extol;
my foes you have not suffered
to glory o'er my fall.**

**O Lord, my God, I sought you,
and you did heal and save;
you, Lord, from death did ransom
and keep me from the grave.**

**His holy name remember;
you saints, Jehovah praise;
his anger lasts a moment,
his favor all our days;
for sorrow, like a pilgrim,
may tarry for a night,
but joy the heart will gladden
when dawns the morning light.**

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PRAYER

Northern Ireland (prayercast.com): A nation of rolling green hills and rugged coastlines, Northern Ireland is well known for its natural beauty. C. S. Lewis is widely believed to have been inspired by the Mourne Mountains to write the Chronicles of Narnia, having once remarked that if giants existed, they would live among its great, green ridges. The Northern Irish live in bustling cities like Belfast and quiet rural villages like Culmore. Northern Ireland once had some of the world's largest shipyards, employing over 35,000 workers to build ships, including the Titanic. Now, most Northern Irishmen work in markets like healthcare, education, and government. After Saint Patrick first brought Christianity to Ireland in the 400s, the island enjoyed centuries of Roman Catholic heritage.

But as Protestants from Britain settled in northeastern Ireland over the centuries, tensions grew between Protestants and Catholics. Thirty years of unrest, known as “the Troubles,” caused great suffering in the late 1900s.

Tall barriers called “peace walls,” built during the Troubles to separate Protestant and Catholic neighborhoods, still stand. Families are still seeking answers about loved ones who were killed or disappeared during the conflict. Thousands are left with lingering trauma. Many from younger generations see little hope for Northern Ireland’s future, and roughly half of them have indicated they want to move to another country to find better opportunities. The Protestant-Catholic divide continues to fuel political disagreements over the nation’s identity. Protestants want their country to remain a part of the United Kingdom (UK), but Catholics want Northern Ireland to separate and join the Republic of Ireland. A divided national government constantly struggles to take action, stalling economic reforms and leaving local communities without stable leadership.

Although Northern Irishmen were willing to fight one another because of religious identity, many do not truly understand what Christianity is about. For most, being Catholic or Protestant is a way to associate with their local community rather than with Jesus. As in much of the West, Northern Ireland is becoming less religious, and church attendance is declining. The pain and bitterness left by religious conflict hinders the spread of the Gospel. Still, there are numerous churches in the region that serve their communities and are pointing people to Christ. Northern Ireland has some of the highest concentrations of evangelical churches and mission-sending organizations in the UK. Pray that these Christians would bring God’s healing to their country and the world.

- Pray for Christ’s healing, forgiveness, and peace after years of violence and unrest.
- Pray for genuine, humble faith to replace legalism and self-righteousness.
- Pray for faith and hope for a young, despairing generation.

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 10:1-10

¹For since the law has but a shadow of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near. ²Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, since the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have any consciousness of sins? ³But in these sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year. ⁴For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

⁵Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,

“Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body have you prepared for me;

⁶ in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.

⁷ Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come to do your will,
O God,

as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.”

⁸When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law),
⁹then he added, “Behold, I have come to do your will.” He does away with the first in order to establish the second.

¹⁰ And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

SERMON

"How to Have a Clear Conscience"

GRATEFUL PRAISE

"Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me"

Songbook

**What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer;
there is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus;
for my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh, how strange and divine,
I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.**

**The night is dark, but I am not forsaken;
for by my side the Saviour He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
for in my need His power is displayed.**

To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me;
through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh, the night has been won,
and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven;
the future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated;
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released,
I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus;
for He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me,
until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus;
all the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete,
still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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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

"O Lord, by Grace Delivered" (Psalm 30) #626 (verses 3–5)

**In prosp'rous days I boasted;
unmoved I shall remain;
for, Lord, by your good favor
my cause you did maintain;
I soon was sorely troubled,
for you did hide your face;
I cried to you, Jehovah,
I sought Jehovah's grace.**

**What profit if I perish,
if life you do not spare?
Shall dust repeat your praises,
shall it your truth declare?
O Lord, on me have mercy,
and my petition hear;
that you may be my helper,
in mercy, Lord, appear.**

**My grief is turned to gladness,
to you my thanks I raise,
who have removed my sorrow
and girded me with praise;
and now, no longer silent,
my heart your praise will sing;
O Lord, my God, forever
my thanks to you I bring.**

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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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B E N E D I C T I O N

Hebrews 13:20-21

"It Is Well with My Soul" (refrain)

#691

***It is well* [it is well] *with my soul;* [with my soul]
*it is well, it is well with my soul.***

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EVENING WORSHIP



OPENING PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 52

(TH page 804–5)

HYMN

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

TH #342

OT SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 5

NT SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 9

PRAYERS

SERMON

Acts 15:1–21

“Why Do We Need Church Councils?”

(see WCF 31.1, TH page 866)

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SONGS BY REQUEST

CLOSING PRAYER



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