



LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

September 13, 2026



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

Romans 15:7

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THIS WEEKEND

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL**: Begins this Sunday the 13th. All are welcome upstairs while teachers get some training downstairs. Starting on the 20th adults will be upstairs with kids downstairs.

THIS SUNDAY

- **EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**: Join us this Sunday at **5:30PM** in the sanctuary. See service details on page 14 at the end of this bulletin (or the church calendar on our app or website).

THIS WEEK

- **BIBLE STUDY**: We will continue our study of Paul's letter to the Romans **Tuesday** (September 15th) at **7:00PM**. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person or online via Zoom (see the weekly Tuesday email for the Zoom link).

THE FOLLOWING WEEK

- **MONTHLY SESSION MEETING**: On Wednesday, **September 16th** at **6:00PM** in the church library. All are welcome to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- **REFORMATION DAY SERVICE**: Upcoming on Sunday, November 1st at 5:30pm. We will remember and celebrate God's provision of the recovery of the Gospel of salvation by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone. Rev. Eric Landry, pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Austin, TX will preach both morning and evening.

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

[*Psalm 148:1-6*](#)

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.**

[*"Let All Things Now Living"*](#)

#125

**Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us,
his light goes before us,**

**a pillar of fire shing forth in the night,
'til shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.**

**His law he enforces:
the stars in their courses,
the sun in its orbit, obediently shine,
the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too should be voicing
our love and rejoicing,
with glad adoration a song let us raise,
'til all things now living
unite in thanksgiving
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!**

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SUMMONS TO REPENTANCE [Deuteronomy 6:4-9](#)

CONFESSING OUR SIN

**Almighty and merciful God, we come before you
humbled by your law. You have revealed to us your will
in your word, and we have fallen short of its call in
thought, word, and deed. You have been so kind to us,
and yet we have not responded with joy, but often with
disinterest or grumbling. Have mercy on us oh Lord, for
Jesus' sake. Take away from us our sins, and mercifully
draw us back to you by the Holy Spirit. Take away from
us the heart of stone, and give us a heart of flesh, a heart
to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, to follow
and enjoy you, for Christ's sake, amen.**

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.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[Ephesians 2:4-5](#)

SINGING GOD'S GRACE

["There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"](#)

#253

**There is a fountain filled with blood,
drawn from Immanuel's veins;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
lose all their guilty stains:
lose all their guilty stains,
lose all their guilty stains;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
lose all their guilty stains.**

**The dying thief rejoiced to see
that fountain in his day;
and there have I, as vile as he,
washed all my sins away:
washed all my sins away,
washed all my sins away;
and there have I, as vile as he,
washed all my sins away.**

**E'er since by faith I saw the stream
your flowing wounds supply,
redeeming love has been my theme,
and shall be till I die:
and shall be till I die,
and shall be till I die;
redeeming love has been my theme,
and shall be till I die.**

**Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing your pow'r to save,
when this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue
lies silent in the grave:
lies silent in the grave,
lies silent in the grave;
when this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue
lies silent in the grave.**

**Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood
shall never lose its pow'r,
till all the ransomed church of God
be saved, to sin no more:
be saved, to sin no more,
be saved, to sin no more;
till all the ransomed church of God
be saved to sin no more.**

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith IX.4-5 - Of Free Will

4. When God converts a sinner, and translates him into the state of grace, he frees him from his natural bondage under sin, and by his grace alone enables him freely to will and to do that which is spiritually good; yet so as that, by reason of his remaining corruption, he does not perfectly, nor only, will that which is good, but does also will that which is evil.

5. The will of man is made perfectly and immutably free to good alone, in the state of glory only.

SCRIPTURE READING

[Revelation 7:9-17](#)

⁹ After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴ I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

["God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength"](#) #40 (Ps 46, vv. 1-2)

**God is our refuge and our strength,
our ever-present aid,
and therefore though the earth remove,
we will not be afraid;
though hills amidst the seas be cast,
though foaming waters roar,
yea, though the mighty billows shake
the mountains on the shore.**

**A river flows whose streams make glad
the city of our God,
the holy place wherein the Lord
Most High has his abode.
Since God is in the midst of her,
unmoved her walls shall stand,
for God will be her early help,
when trouble is at hand.**

Psalm 46

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PRAYER

[Pakistan \(prayercast.com\)](http://Pakistan.prayercast.com):

Pakistan is home to one of the world's oldest civilizations and one of the oldest centers of higher learning, dating back more than 2,500 years ago. In 1947, newly formed Pakistan went to war with India over the ownership of Kashmir land. Although the first war ended in 1948, the territory is still a major source of conflict today. More than 70 languages are spoken by Pakistan's wide array of ethnic groups, though Urdu is the national language and English is used in business and government. Towering mountains in northern Pakistan form glaciers and deep valleys, and deserts cover much of the southwest and southeast. Its deserts and sandy beaches are

hot and humid, while mountainous regions have cool summers and freezing winters. For generations, Pakistanis have enjoyed foods such as lentil curries, naan, and chai.

Though Pakistan has a large agricultural industry and a growing manufacturing industry, it is a lower-income country, with millions of people living in poverty. Pakistan is one of the countries most affected by terrorism, where attacks from armed militant groups have killed thousands, including students in schools targeted by the Taliban. Many people have been displaced. Though the government has taken steps to address extremist violence, it often fails to protect religious minorities, who face discrimination, attacks, and threats from extremist groups and local communities. Girls are often kidnapped and subjected to forced marriages. Monsoon rains and flooding along the Indus River cause landslides, destroy homes, and displace communities. Earthquakes cause widespread destruction, and heat waves and droughts lead to water shortages.

With a fusion of different ethnicities and languages, Pakistan's national identity is strongly shaped by Islam. More than 95 percent of the nation identifies as Muslim, with the majority belonging to the Sunni tradition, and Pakistan is the second-largest Muslim-majority nation in the world. The Constitution guarantees religious freedom, but religious minorities often face discrimination, legal challenges, and violence. Though Christians make up less than 2 percent of the population, they are one of Pakistan's largest religious minorities, with significant communities in Punjab and Karachi. Christian converts and those born into Christian families face persecution from Islamic extremist groups, the government, and their communities. Many Christians worship in churches and smaller house gatherings, and Bibles can legally be printed and distributed, though sharing the faith publicly can be dangerous. Pray for perseverance for Pakistani

believers and for Muslims and terrorist groups to encounter Christ.

- Pray for courageous faith despite fierce persecution.
- Pray for the lost to find security in Christ amid deep economic difficulty.
- Pray for defense for the vulnerable against extremist violence and oppression.

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

Psalms 3

3 O LORD, how many are my foes!

Many are rising against me;

2 many are saying of my soul,

“There is no salvation for him in God.” Selah

3 But you, O LORD, are a shield about me,

my glory, and the lifter of my head.

4 I cried aloud to the LORD,

and he answered me from his holy hill. Selah

5 I lay down and slept;

I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

6 I will not be afraid of many thousands of people
who have set themselves against me all around.

7 Arise, O LORD!

Save me, O my God!

For you strike all my enemies on the cheek;
you break the teeth of the wicked.

⁸ Salvation belongs to the LORD;
your blessing be on your people! Selah

SERMON

"The God of Our Salvation"

Mackenzie Boudreaux

GRATEFUL PRAISE

"God Is My Strong Salvation" (Psalm 27)

#667

**God is my strong salvation;
what foe have I to fear?
In darkness and temptation
my light, my help is near.**

**Though hosts encamp around me,
firm to the fight I stand;
what terror can confound me,
with God at my right hand?**

**Place on the Lord reliance,
my soul, with courage wait;
his truth be your affiance,
when faint and desolate.**

**His might your heart shall strengthen,
his love your joy increase;
mercy your days shall lengthen;
the Lord will give you peace.**

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GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

"God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength" #40 (Ps 46, vv. 3-5)

**The nations raged, the kingdoms moved,
but when his voice was heard,
the troubled earth was stilled to peace
before his mighty word.**

**The Lord of Hosts is on our side,
our safety to secure;
the God of Jacob is for us
a refuge strong and sure.**

**O come, behold what wondrous works
Jehovah's hand has wrought;
come, see what desolation great
he on the earth has brought.
To utmost ends of all the earth
he causes war to cease;
the weapons of the strong destroyed,
he makes abiding peace.**

**"Be still and know that I am God,
o'er all exalted high;
the subject nations of the earth
my name shall magnify."
The Lord of Hosts is on our side,
our safety to secure,
the God of Jacob is for us
a refuge strong and sure.**

**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

"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 57

(TH page 805–806)

HYMN

“How Firm a Foundation”

TH #94

OT SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 8

NT SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 12

PRAYERS

SERMON

John 18:33-36

“My Kingdom Is Not of This World”

(see WCF 31.4, TH page 867)

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SONGS BY REQUEST

CLOSING PRAYER



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