

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Proclamation Orchestra

We welcome our Orchestra leading worship music this morning. If you play an orchestral instrument (or have in past decades), we'd love to include you once a month on Sunday mornings. For more information, contact Dr. Kelly (ryan@proclamation.org). Pre-high school instrumental musicians are invited to play for Dr. Kelly to potentially play for a future Sunday evening worship service.

Women's Ministry Amnion Service Orientation • September 22 or 24

Proclamation women are invited to serve Amnion Pregnancy Care Medical Center by supporting the Amnion Community Closet. Sign up for a service orientation on Sept. 22 at 10 a.m. or Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. Women can volunteer in the community closet or support PPC moms by providing childcare so they can serve. Email info@proclamation.org or talk with Sarah Keating to learn more or sign up.

College Brunch • September 27

Proclamation's college ministry will be hosting a college brunch following the morning service on September 27. All college students are welcome to join us for a time of food and fellowship! Rides can be provided to this event. If there are any questions regarding the brunch, reach out to Hannah (hannah@proclamation.org) or Antonio (antonio@proclamation.org) for more information.

Rides for College Students

There is a need for volunteers who would be willing to give local college students a ride to Proclamation's services throughout the school year. Please reach out to Hannah (hannah@proclamation.org) or Antonio (antonio@proclamation.org) if you would be willing to serve our college ministry in this way.

PrayerMate App

Have you ever told someone, 'I'll be praying for you,' but didn't actually do it? Or do you carefully write down your prayer lists, only to draw a blank when it is time to pray because you cannot remember where you placed the list? The pastoral staff are recommending PrayerMate to help you track and organize your prayer lists better. Proclamation has also created prayer lists for our ministries, 2026-2027 events, and your prayer chain requests that feed directly into the app—providing you with a one-stop center for all things prayer-related.

If you would like to learn more about how to use PrayerMate or would like help setting up this app, speak with Elden Pan in the Narthex following morning worship or email prayer@proclamation.org to request assistance.

Family Night Dinner

Our Wednesday Family Night dinner is served from 4:45 – 6:45 p.m. Sign up via the church app or by emailing wednesdaydinner@proclamation.org. The cost is \$8 per person or \$30 per family.

Faith & Freedom: A Walking Tour of Philadelphia • October 10

Proclamation is delighted to partner with Westminster Theological Seminary and Dr. Peter Lillback to offer Faith & Freedom, a walking tour of Philadelphia. Tour booklets with the full itinerary are available in the narthex. Sign-up is required, and space is limited. Please sign up at: <https://bit.ly/PPCOct10PhiladelphiaTour>. The cost of the tour is \$125. Payment may be made by check or online through the designated fund; please write "Faith & Freedom Tour" in the memo. Please email kerrick@proclamation.org with any questions.

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Save the Date • 2027 Marriage Enrichment Retreat

Mark your calendars for Proclamation Presbyterian Church's 2027 Marriage Enrichment Retreat, taking place October 1–3, 2027, at The Flanders Hotel in Ocean City, NJ. We hope you'll plan to join us for a meaningful weekend of fellowship, encouragement, and Christ-centered teaching as we seek to grow together in marriage and in Christ. More details coming soon!

Save the Date • 2027 Women's Retreat

Mark your calendars for the 2027 Women's Retreat, taking place March 5–7, 2027, at Black Rock Retreat. We're excited to welcome Virginia Spykerman again as our guest speaker. We hope you'll plan to join us for a meaningful weekend of fellowship, encouragement, and spiritual renewal!

Men's Bible Studies

Proclamation has two opportunities for men to gather together and study the Word together this fall:

- Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. in room 017 with Pastor John. Our theme this year is Men on Mission: Committing to Christ's Cause Together. This week Dr. David Filson will be our guest speaker. David will speak on "Defending and Commending the Faith Where Men Live and Lead" followed by an opportunity for questions about how men engage in conversations for Christ in their spheres of responsibility.
- Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. beginning Sept 12 and meets most weeks thereafter. Our meetings include lively discussion, fellowship, and time for prayer. This year, we are studying Lloyd-Jones' classic treatment of the Sermon on the Mount.

Women's Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark • Wednesdays

Proclamation women are invited to our Wednesday morning and evening Women's Bible studies. This fall we'll study the Gospel of Mark. As we follow Jesus through his interactions with his disciples, the crowds, the sick, the searching, the broken, and those who oppose him, we'll discover what it means to know the King, trust him, and follow him. Email info@proclamation.org for more information.

New Small Groups Beginning in October 2026

Three new small groups will be launching in October! Please consider joining one near you if you are not already part of one.

- 1) Broomall B — Meeting weekly on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Contact persons: Gary & Sue Wilcox.
- 2) Havertown B — Meeting every 1st and 3rd Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. First meeting on Oct 3. Contact persons: Dan & Rebekah Baker.
- 3) Fort Washington — Meeting every 2nd and 4th Thursday evening at 6.30 p.m. Welcoming gathering on Oct 8. Contact person: Elden Pan/Martin & Machiko Whittaker.

Proclamation desires, by the grace of God, to see disciples multiplied, matured, and mobilized in this generation and the next, to live for Christ in the church, in families, and in the world, and to lead for Christ in the vocation to which he calls them, all to the glory of God.

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Sunday, September 20th, 2026



MORNING WORSHIP
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 20th, 2026
10:30 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Stephen Coleman, *preaching*
Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *assisting*

PRELUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*

WELCOME Rev. Jeremy Johnson, *executive pastor*

MINISTRY MOMENT Rev. Lowell Ivey, *Metanoia*

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir

I Was Glad
Albin C. Whitworth

I was glad when they said unto me, “Let us go into the house of the Lord.”
– *Psalm 122:1*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP* Isaiah 61:10, Psalm 62:7

Minister: Rejoice greatly in the Lord; let your soul exult in your God,
for he has clothed you with the garments of salvation; he
has covered you with the robe of righteousness.

Congregation: **On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty
rock, my refuge is God.**

INVOCATION*

HYMN N^o 101* Come, Thou Almighty King

* Please stand.

DECLARATION OF FAITH* *Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, 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 is seated 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.

HYMN N^o 119* I Sing the Almighty Power of God

CONFESSION OF SIN Jeremiah 17:5-6

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 103:2-5

OFFERTORY Chancel Choir and Orchestra

To Love Our God
Mark Hayes

Where does the wind come from? Where does it go? Blowing north and south,
how does it know? The rain flows gently to the sea, yet the sea is never full.
How can these things be?

Humanity works hard to make a name, toiling in the sun yet nothing gained;
we all return to dust from whence we came. All is empty; all is vain.

To love our God—the reason we live. To love our God—the highest call.
Nothing satisfies our soul, gives life meaning, makes us whole. For this purpose
we were made—to love our God. – *Ecclesiastes 1, 12, adpt. John Parker*

SCRIPTURE READING* Jeff Kiesel, *elder*

Isaiah 40:12-31, *pg. 600*

HYMN N^o 128* God Moves in a Mysterious Way

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERMON Rev. Dr. Stephen Coleman, *guest preacher*
From Death to Life
2 Kings 4:8-37, *pg. 309*

HYMN N^o 164* O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE Dr. Ryan Kelly, *organ*



Jeff Kiesel will be available to pray with you
at the front right of the sanctuary.

Minda Garner and Susan Null will be available to pray with women
at the front left of the sanctuary.

*Thank you to our Eastern College students for assembling the prayer toolkits which
were handed out last week. If you were not here or did not get one, they are
available on the tables in the narthex.*