

John Knox Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

August 30, 2026



GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Those who are able, please stand*

PRELUDE

Prayer

Gerald Peters

***INTROIT: HYMN 662** *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies, v. 1*

RATISBON

***Christ, whose glory fills the skies; Christ, the true, the only light;
Sun of Righteousness, arise; triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.***

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Carter Schaaf

In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Come, now all who thirst,

and drink the water of life.

Come now, all who hunger,

and be filled with good things.

***HYMN 806**

I'll Praise My Maker

OLD 113TH

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God's Word assures us:
If we say that we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins,
he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sin
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

**Merciful God,
you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, our God.
Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not cast us from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Silent Confession

***LORD, HAVE MERCY**

***Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
We can trust the promise of God's love:
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are freed and forgiven!

***RESPONDING IN PRAISE**

Hymn 582, v.1

Sing twice

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

LIFE AND WORK AT JOHN KNOX

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Susan Felton

At this time, K3s, K4s and K5s are invited to join Children's Church on the Nursery Hall for a time of learning and fun. Parents, please pick up your children there after the worship service.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 146
Pew Bible p. 507

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 4:1-30, 39-42
Pew Bible p. 864-865

The grass withers, the flower fades,
The Word of our God will stand forever.

SERMON

"Down, Up and Out"

Carter Rief

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed
Hymnal, p.35

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem

Open Thou Mine Eyes

Benjamin Harlan

*Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 649**

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: HYMN 450**

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

Be Thou My Vision, v. 2

***Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.***

POSTLUDE

Great Is the Lord

Deborah D. Smith

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Kathy & Jim Roberson and their wedding anniversary by Julie Wolfe.

Worship Team

Mark Britt
Stephen Gusukuma
Bobby Mock
Caroline Robertson

Justin Cazel
Ewen Holmes
Carol Phillips
Ava Watson

Jacob deMaine
Parker Johnson
Scott Reichen
Rob Wright

Susan Felton
Kristine Lee
Carter Rief

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