

John Knox Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

October 4, 2026



GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Those who are able, please stand*

PRELUDE

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

arr. Larry Wolz

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

***INTROIT: HYMN 507**

Come to the Table of Grace, v. 1

TABLE OF GRACE

***Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of grace.***

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Marilee Dorsey

At the Name of Jesus
every knee should bend
and every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.
Glory be to God! Amen.

***HYMN 694**

Great God of Every Blessing

AURELIA

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Let us boldly confess our sins
before the One who already knows our errors
and is gracious to forgive our hidden faults.

**Gracious God, we confess that we have not lived
as your obedient children.
We have honored you with our words,
but we have denied you with our actions.
We have not pursued the mind of Christ,
who took the form of a servant,
for we have acted with selfish ambition.
We have put our interests before the interests of others
and have not regarded them in humility.
Forgive us our arrogance,
awaken our hearts to sincere repentance,
and enable us to will and to work
for your good pleasure,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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**

Friends, God offers forgiveness of our sins
and abundant life to those who repent.
Turn, then, and live in Christ, our Lord.

**With joy and gratitude,
we have been forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

***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

Minute for Stewardship

Will Jackson

GREET ONE ANOTHER

***We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity will one day be restored
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Justin Cazel

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 68:1-8 (CEV)
Pew Bible p. 460

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Peter 4:10-11 (CEV)
Pew Bible p. 986

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

SERMON

"A Higher Calling"

Ewen Holmes

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed
Hymnal, p.35

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Carl F. Mueller

*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.***

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and our greatest joy,
to give you thanks and praise . . .

LORD'S PRAYER ("debts...debtors")

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 531**

Seed, Scattered and Sown

SEED SCATTERED

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: HYMN 546**

SICILIAN MARINERS

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing, v. 1

***Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill out hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.***

POSTLUDE

Finale

ed. and arr. S. Drummond Wolf

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Phil Brandon by Delores Brandon.



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