

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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11th Sunday after Pentecost
August 9th, 2026 | 10:30 am Worship Service

§ Invites you to
rise in body or
spirit with the
people of God.

As fallen
people, we must
be called from
our worship of
the created and
focus on the
proper worship
of the Creator.

–WE GATHER TO PRAISE –

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST

One: Give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart, in the
company of the upright, in the congregation.

All: **Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for
the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!**

-BASED ON PSALM 111:1 & 115:1

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

HYMN 49

Verse 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of His grace!

Verse 2 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of Thy name.

Verse 3 Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows, cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.

Verse 4 He breaks the pow'r of the canceled sin,
He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me.

Verse 7 Glory to God, and praise and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heav'n.

Verse 1 **Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
 grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
 yonder on Calvary’s mount outpoured,
 there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.**

Refrain **Grace, grace, God’s grace,
 grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
 grace, grace, God’s grace,
 grace that is greater than all our sin.**

Verse 2 **Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
 what can avail to wash it away?
 Look! There is flowing a crimson tide;
 whiter than snow you may be today.**

Verse 3 **Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
 freely bestowed on all who believe;
 all who are longing to see His face.
 Will you this moment His grace receive?**

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: **We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love
 of God in Jesus Christ. Let us in freedom confess the
 wrong we have done.**

Moment for Silent Personal Confession

One: **Father, in your mercy hear our prayers.**

All: **O Almighty God, I humbly ask you to make me like a
 tree planted by the waterside, that I may bring forth
 fruits of good living in due season. Forgive my past
 offenses, sanctify me now, and direct all that I should
 be in the future, for Christ’s sake. Amen.**

As members of
Christ’s body,
we confess the
reality of sin
and brokenness
in personal and
common life and
ask for God’s
saving grace.

§ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

§ **RESPONSE TO PARDON** **GLORIA PATRI** **HYMN 614**
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.

We pray for the world because God loves it. God created the world and cares for it. To abide in God's love is to share God's concern for the world. Our prayers should therefore be as specific as God's tender compassion for the least ones among us.

Through the sermon we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow Him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the Gospel to others through our words and deeds.

-WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS -

WOMEN'S MINISTRY UPDATE

JEN MAURER

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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;
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.

OFFERTORY

§ RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

DOXOLOGY

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

§ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

- WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD -

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

-SHORTER CATECHISM Q/ A #1

Q. What is the chief end of man?
A. Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 62

LITURGIST

ONE THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.
ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

SERMON SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 8:1-4

PASTOR ROBERT HOCK

Verse 1

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!

Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a Friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Verse 3

Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
in His arms He'll take and shield thee;
thou wilt find a solace there.

§ BENEDICTION

A benediction is
literally a "good
word" or a
blessing to carry
with us as we
leave our time of
worship.

-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are still in need of volunteers for the following rooms and dates:

Nursery - August 16th & 30th Elementary- August 23rd Sign up in the side sanctuary.

PROMOTION SUNDAY: On Sunday, August 30th during the worship service we plan to recognize the children of Hopewell and pray over them for this school year. We'll also present them with an age appropriate resource and promote them to their new Sunday School class. For some that means they will move from one classroom to another. For others it may mean they'll stay where they are for another year. And some will be starting to join in service full time. Here's the age break down for classes:

Nursery: Infant through two years old; taken to their room before service.

Preschool: Three years through Kindergarten; taken to their room before service.

Elementary: First grade through fifth grade; Leaves service before the sermon.

Middle School and High School: Meet ups will begin soon!

On that day we ask that all children join their families for the start of service for the recognition and will be dismissed shortly thereafter. We would appreciate a couple extra hands to help with snack and outdoor play (weather permitting).

COLLEGE & YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY: The group is journeying through The Exodus Way by the Bible Project. The Bible study will meet tomorrow at 6:30 at Greeks Pizza (18 E. Jefferson St) Franklin.

THURSDAY MORNING STUDY AND PRAYER TIME: Thursday, at 9:30 am, in the pastor's study. They are studying Kevin DeYoung's book on the Heidelberg Catechism; *The Good News We Almost Forgot*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: *Saved, Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Acts* by Nancy Guthrie. Sunday mornings at 9:30, downstairs in the back Fellowship Hall room.

LITURGIST SIGN-UPS: There is a new sign up sheet for September through December in the side sanctuary. If you have never been a liturgist but interested in knowing more, ask Kathleen for more details.

HOPEWELL SUMMER HANGOUTS: We have one more hangout this summer: **August 29th** - Cornfield Mafia (High energy country), DriveHubler.com Amphitheater at Youngs Creek Park; 237 W. Monroe St. Franklin, 46131 - 6:00-10:00pm (concert begins at 7:00 pm)

PRAYER REQUESTS: Emily Martin, Alice Reeves, Star Grove, Paul Harsch, Kim Hamilton, Becky Wertz, Abby Dougherty Nusbaumer, Hannah McAdams, Ashley Kelly, Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer

HOMEBOUND: Clarellen Kelsay, Pat Mundorff, Becky Wertz, Richard Swaitek

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS: Ella Steinberg - 3rd, Hadley Ditmars - 4th, Debbie Picek - 8th, Ted Chandler - 9th, Leigh Morning - 10th, Chuck Mathena - 13th, Mirabelle Allender, Donna Harsch & Andy Spencer - 15th, Brad Berkley - 17th, Mark Myers - 18th, Betty Hobert - 20th, Cindy Williams - 21st, Cathy Manship & Les Mink - 24th, Doug Demaree & Shelley Grissom - 25th, and Jonathan Schmitt - 31st

- ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED-

HOPEWELL FINANCES - JULY:

YTD Revenue:	\$221,584.35
YTD Budgeted Revenue:	\$185,791.69
YTD Expense:	\$218,333.34
YTD Budgeted Expense:	\$176,380.12

Actual YTD Net:	\$3,251.01

SESSION MEETING: The next session meeting will be next Tuesday, August 18th at 6:00 pm.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The next finance committee meeting will be on Tuesday, August 25th at 6:00 pm.

BLESSING BOX: We have been asked a few times, what does our Blessing Box need? We have had a few hefty food donations, so food is stocked as well as toothpaste and toothbrushes (for now). The Blessing Box could use hygiene products, like soap, shampoo, lotion, hair brushes, loofahs and/or washcloths for babies, kids, and adults. We could also use household cleaning supplies. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated!

GREETER SIGN-UPS: There is a new round of spots open for greeting! We have lots of doors at our lovely church; BUT if you have never been to Hopewell it's kind of confusing to know which door to enter. Sign up to help welcome those new people (into the correct doors) and to say hello to the familiar faces too. Sign ups can be found in the side sanctuary!

ATTENDANCE: August 2nd - 128 August Average - 128; YTD Avg. 125

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“To know that nothing hurts the godly, is a matter of comfort; but to be assured that all things which fall out shall co-operate for their good, that their crosses shall be turned into blessings, that showers of affliction water the withering root of their grace and make it flourish more; this may fill their hearts with joy till they run over.”

-Thomas Watson

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