

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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22nd Sunday after Pentecost
October 25th, 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: Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. He created all things and he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. Because of your faith in Christ and the hope laid up for you in heaven – Christians, come to his throne and worship the King!

-BASED ON COLOSSIANS 1:15-18 & 1:4-5

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

HYMN 18

- Verse 1 **Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.**
- Verse 2 **Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**
- Verse 3 **To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth Thee.**
- Verse 4 **Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.**

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

Refrain

On Christ the solid Rock I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 2

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil.

Verse 3

His oath, His covenant, His blood
support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

Verse 4

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in Him be found;
dressed in His righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne.

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Moment for Silent Personal Confession

All: Heavenly father, merciful and everlasting God, we acknowledge and confess before your divine majesty that we are poor sinners, prone to evil and ever falling short of goodness. We have transgressed your commandments, and are worthy of your anger. But, O Lord, we repent and are sorry from our hearts that we have so displeased you. We pray that your grace may bring help to our distress. Be pleased, therefore, to have mercy upon us, O most gracious God and Father. Forgive us all our sins, through the holy sufferings of your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant us now the gifts of your Holy Spirit. Increase these in us each day, that we may repent, that sin may be destroyed in us, and that we may bring forth the fruits of righteousness and a pure life that are pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ. 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 -

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

-HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, Q&A 54

I am called Christian
because by faith I am a member of Christ
and so I share in his anointing.
I am anointed to confess his name,
to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks,
to strive with a good conscience against sin and the devil in this life,
and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation
for all eternity.
We call him “our Lord” because –
not with gold or silver, but with his precious blood –
he has set us free
from sin and from the tyranny of the devil,
and has bought us,
body and soul,
to be his very own.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 130

LITURGIST

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

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

SERMON SCRIPTURE

PHILIPPIANS 3:1-11

PASTOR BRANDON JOLLEY

Verse 1

In Christ alone, my hope is found,
He is my Light, my Strength, my Song;
this Cornerstone, this Solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when striving cease!
My Comforter, my All in all;
here in the love of Christ I stand.

Verse 2

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless Babe;
this gift of love and righteousness
scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied,
for every sin on Him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine;
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

Verse 4

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand,
'til He returns or calls me home;
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

§ BENEDICTION

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

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

FALL FELLOWSHIP DINNER & TRUNK OR TREATING: The Board of Deacons annual “Fall Fellowship Dinner” is TONIGHT at 5:00 p.m. with dinner being served first. The Deacons will provide a dinner of hot dogs, coney sauce, beef tacos (with all the fixings), sloppy joe, refried beans, nachos and cheese, and pumpkin rolls for dessert. The dinner will be followed by a “Trunk or Treat” event for the kids starting at 6:00 p.m. outside (weather permitting).

If you would like to decorate your trunk and pass out candy, the sign-up sheet will be on a table in the side sanctuary. The Deacons are requesting donations of pre-wrapped candy or snacks for this event. Collection baskets are located in the side sanctuary.

FOOD HARVEST COLLECTION: Price for a meal ticket is a donation of a non-perishable food item to help replenish the Hopewell Church “Blessing Box”. Please help the Deacons reach a goal of 300 items collected, as we near the upcoming fall season.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING: The nominating committee will meet this Wednesday, October 28th at 4:00 pm in the middle conference room.

PENNY POWER: Penny Power has begun and shopping is right around the corner. All donations will go towards purchasing Christmas gifts (ex: toys and clothes) for children that are in need, in our community. Please bring in your “pennies” and place them in the Penny Power jug (or offering plate, with Penny Power attached) in front of the fireplace in the side sanctuary.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY: Sunday school started a new study! They just began *1 and 2 Timothy for You: Protect the Gospel, Pass on the Gospel (God’s Word for You)* by Phillip Jensen. Join the study on Sunday mornings at 9:30, downstairs in the back Fellowship Hall room.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP MEALS: Join us this Wednesday at 5:45 pm, downstairs in the fellowship hall for our Wednesday night meal. Bring your family and invite a friend for some yummy food and good fellowship.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY: The eight week study just began and meets weekly on the following days. It’s never too late to sign up for one of the following times:

Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm, Hopewell middle conference room; childcare offered or Friday mornings at 9:00 am, Hopewell middle conference room

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY: Started their study using Ray Ortlund’s study, *Psalms, Real Help for Real Life*. Copies are available in the side sanctuary. Two times you can pick from to attend. Wednesday evenings in the conference room next to Pastor Brandon’s office, at 6:30 or Thursday at noon at David Yount’s office (9 East Court Street, Franklin. Entrance is off of Jefferson St.)

BLESSING BOX: The Blessing Box is starting to thin on the food supply and has gotten a little more use with fall break. Monetary donations can also be made, just label that it’s going towards the “Blessing Box”. If you are able to donate to help keep our blessing box filled, it would be greatly appreciated.

COLLEGE & YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY: The group is journeying through The Exodus Way by the Bible Project. The Bible study will meet tomorrow at 5:30 in the middle conference room here at Hopewell.

- ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED -

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*.

BUTTON DOWN SHIRTS: The Primary room could use about 15 used men's button down shirts for paint smocks. If you have one or two to donate, we'd love to take them off of your hands. Shirts can be placed on the small table right inside the office.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS: Susan Graham & Brittney Lemmons - 1st, Sandy Ditmars - 4th, Drew Doty, Ally McIntire & Debra Swinehamer - 7th, Scott Henderson - 9th, Dylan Graham & Stan Poe - 12th, Ivan Smith - 14th, Georgena Bayless - 16th, John Stevens - 22nd, Amy Davidson & Howard Krapf - 23rd, Jean Henderson - 25th, Alexis Hubler & Polly Yount - 28th, Judy Huber & Annie Leser - 30th, Natalie Findley - 31st

Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Marge Lee.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Barb DeCoursey Farnsley, Chris Hanson, Emily Martin, Alice Reeves, Star Grove, Paul Harsch, Kim Hamilton, Abby Dougherty Nusbaumer, Hannah McAdams, Ashley Kelly, Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer

HOMEBOUND: Clarellen Kelsay, Pat Mundorff, and Richard Swaitek

ATTENDANCE: October 18th - 109 October Average - 114; YTD Avg. 121

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“The law says, ‘do this,’ and it is never done.
Grace says, ‘believe in this,’
and everything is already done.”

-Martin Luther

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