

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20th, 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: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house
of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that
we may walk in his ways and that we may walk in his paths.

All: **We will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and
ever.**

-BASED ON MICAH 4:2& 4:5

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION

HYMN 317

Verse 1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the Head and Cornerstone;
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the Church in one,
holy Zion's help forever,
and her confidence alone.

Verse 2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation,
pours perpetual melody,
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

Verse 3 To this temple, where we call Thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with Thy wonted loving kindness
hear Thy servants as they pray.
And Thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls always.

Verse 4 Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants
what they ask of Thee to gain;
what they gain from Thee forever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in Thy glory
evermore with Thee to reign.

Verse 5 Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One;
consubstantial, coeternal,
while unending ages run.

Verse 1	For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;
Refrain	Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.
Verse 2	For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light;
Verse 3	For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thought and mild;
Verse 4	For each perfect gift of Thine, to the world so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven;
Verse 5	For Thy Church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love;

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Moment for Silent Personal Confession

All: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. 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 -

NEW MEMBERS PHIL & NANCY POWEL

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 -FROM WESTMINSTER CONFSSION

God – the great creator of all things –
upholds, directs, disposes, and governs all creatures, actions, and things,
from the greatest even to the least.
He exercises this most wise and holy providence
according to his infallible foreknowledge
and the free and unchangeable counsel of his own will,
to the praise of the glory of his wisdom, power,
justice, goodness, and mercy.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON PSALM 27:1-6 LITURGIST

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

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

SERMON SCRIPTURE PHILIPPIANS 1:12-30 PASTOR BRANDON JOLLEY

- Verse 1 God of grace and God of glory,
on Thy people pour Thy power;
crown Thine ancient Church's story;
bring Her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour, of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.
- Verse 2 Lo! The hosts of evil round us
scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days, of these days,
for the living of these days.
- Verse 3 Cure Thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to Thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss Thy kindom's god, kingdom's goal,
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.
- Verse 4 Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for Thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving Thee whom we adore we adore,
serving Thee whom we adore.

§ BENEDICTION

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

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Becky Wertz.

NEW CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SIGN UPS: We are in need of volunteers for EVERY room for next Sunday, September 27th.

If you have never volunteered, now would be a great time (wink, wink). You can always have a friend join you in the room too. If you have any questions about volunteering and what it entails, please let me know. There are new sign ups for the rest of the year out in the side sanctuary. Lessons and activities are all provided for you.

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.

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

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: How do we navigate the complexities of modern life with grace, discernment, and peace?

We invite you to join us for our upcoming women's Bible study, "The Way of Wisdom," where we will dive deep into the book of Proverbs. This rich book of Scripture serves as a practical, daily guide for our relationships, words, finances, and decisions. Together, we will learn what it means to anchor our hearts in the "fear of the Lord" and apply His timeless truths to our modern lives.

Books are available for purchase (\$10).

The eight week study began with fellowship last Wednesday, but is now starting 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

Friday mornings at 9:00 am, Hopewell middle conference room

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The Tearman family is hosting a Hopewell Family Fall Party on Sunday, October 4th at 5:00. They will provide the hot dogs and chips, juice boxes, water, pumpkins and hayrides. Hopewell families and their friends are all invited to the red barn at 2651 N 200 W. Come for a fun night with family, friends, fun and games!

FISH & TENDERLOIN FRY: The Hopewell Church Board of Deacons wish to invite the congregation and friends to join them for a church dinner: Sunday, October 11th at 5:00 p.m. As in the past, Les Mink has offered to supply the fish that he has tirelessly caught all summer. The Deacons will provide the fried tenderloin, hush puppies, mac and cheese, coleslaw, and baked beans. The congregation is asked to bring a side dish or a delicious dessert!

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.

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.

- 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*.

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.

BLESSING BOX: 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!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Alan Mathena - 2nd, Bill Doty - 4th, Rob Greene - 5th, John Westercamp - 6th, Shelly Dougherty - 7th, Carla Demaree & Flora Markward - 8th, RG Greene - 9th, JoAnn Barnes - 10th, John Spencer - 11th, Frank Weaver - 13th, Allison Ditmars - 14th, Jed Allender & Joyce Liverett - 17th, Andrew Lee & Ken Tearman - 18th, Brandon Jolley - 19th, Mark Henderson - 25th, Janet Stone - 27th, Dean Abplanalp & Kathleen Spencer - 28th, Graham Henderson - 30th

PRAYER REQUESTS: 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: September 13th - 94 September Average - 97; YTD Avg. 122

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“Because of Christ, our suffering is not useless. It is part of the total plan of God, who has chosen to redeem the world through the pathway of suffering. ”

-R.C. Sproul

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