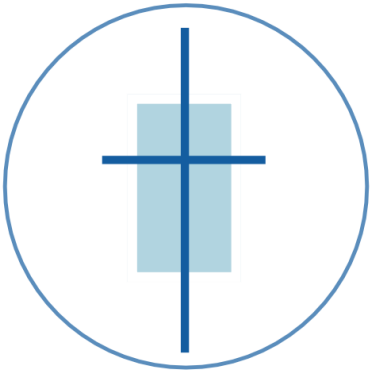
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America



THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 1ST, 2026

Leading men, women and children to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, and helping them grow in Him and serve Him in the church and in the world.

The Order of Worship

November 1st, 2026

A CALL FOR GOD'S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP
In this way, our gathered worship is a conversation initiated by God between himself and his people.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Meditation in Preparation for Worship

"*There is an absolute necessity that we should have the knowledge of Christ; therefore, He insists on commending Himself. What are all the sermons that are preached? Are they not deep draughts of the beauty of Christ? What is this excellent volume of the Scriptures? Is it not a portraiture of Christ that is sent to a strange land, that His bride may behold His beauty?*"
- Andrew Gray (1634-1656), 'Love Between Christ and His Church'

"*The church remains under pressure during her season of preparation. But her calling is not to defeat her enemies; her calling is to make herself ready for her groom*." - Ray Ortlund, Marriage and the Mystery of the Gospel, pg. 105.

† **Call to Worship** .....Isaiah 61:10

Leader: I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God,

All: for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH
We stand shoulder to shoulder with those saints who have gone before us and embrace the timeless doctrinal truths of the Gospel

† **Prayer of Invocation**

† **Hymn of Praise**.....*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*
Hymn No. 529

† **Confession of Faith** Canons of Dort, 2nd Head of Doctrine, Article 9

Leader: Let us now declare together what we believe the Scriptures teach about Christ's love for His church and our love back to Him:

All: This purpose proceeding from everlasting love towards the elect has from the beginning of the world to this day been powerfully accomplished, and will henceforward still continue to be accomplished, notwithstanding all the ineffectual opposition of the gates of hell, so that the elect in due time may be gathered together into one, and that there may never be wanting a church composed of believers, the foundation of which is laid in the blood of Christ, which may steadfastly love and faithfully serve Him as their Savior, who as a bridegroom for His bride, laid down His life for them upon the cross, and which may celebrate His praises here and through all eternity.

GOD CLEANSES US
Within the context of our relationship with God, we are invited in safety, not shame, to consider our sins. God loves us despite our sins. We rehearse this truth each week by confessing our sins corporately and leaning into his renewal, restoration, and cleansing.

CONFESSION OF SIN ..... Jeremy Taylor (1613-1667)

Leader: Let us now confess our sins together before our Lord:

All: Keep me, O Lord, for I am yours by creation; guide me, for I am yours by purchase. You have redeemed me by the blood of your Son, and loved me with the love of a Father, for I am your child by adoption and grace. Let your mercy pardon my sins, your providence secure me from the punishments and evils I have deserved, and your care watch over me, that I may never again offend you. In Christ's name. Amen.[1]

MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE ..... 1 Corinthians 6:11b

Leader: But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

CHORAL ANTHEM ..... *At the Table of the Lord*
Lyrics pg. 6

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH ..... Rev. Bryan Villarreal

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You may bring your OCC boxes up on the dais

† **DOXOLOGY AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING**

Children, ages 4 – 1st grade, may be dismissed for Children's Church.

GOD COMMUNICATES WITH US
God's Word itself has power. The Preaching of God's Word is one of the chief means of grace by which God's people grow.

HYMN OF PREPARATION .....*My Heart Does Overflow*
Hymn No.169 v. 1-3 & 5

READING OF GOD'S WORD.....Psalm 45:1-17

PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD'S WORD Rev. Dave Vosseller

"Praise the Groom, Prepare the Bride"

GOD COMMUNES WITH US
If you are a baptized Christian and member in good standing of a gospel-believing church, we invite you to participate with us in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If this doesn't describe you, please use this part of the service to consider the grace and forgiveness that Christ offers.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
"Jesus said, 'This is my body which is for you.'"
"Jesus said, 'This is the blood of my covenant.'"

† **SONG OF RESPONSE** .....*In You Lord, I Refuge Take*
Lyrics pg. 6

† **BENEDICTION**..... Ephesians 6:23-24
Leader: Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible.

† **Please Stand**

Preaching: Rev. Dave Vosseller **Leading Worship**: Rev. Bryan Villarreal

[1]Taken from Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing: A Liturgy for Daily Worship with the Psalms, ed. by Jonathan Gibson, Crossway, 2026) pg. 120.

SERMON NOTES – PSALM 45

Theme: Amid Doubts and Troubles, We Look to Our Glorious Bridegroom for Real Hope

I. Behind the Scenes of the Psalm (v. 1)

II. Behold the Glorious Bridegroom (v. 2-9)

III. Be Prepared, Oh Bride of Christ (v. 10-15)

IV. Blessings to and from the King Forever (v. 16-17)

CHORAL ANTHEM – At the Table of the Lord

At the table of the Lord bread is broken
At the table of the Lord we are fed
We remember now the words that Christ has spoken
This is my body He said

At the table of the Lord in thanksgiving
We have come to drink the wine which is poured
We remember Him who died for us now living
We remember Christ our Lord

At the table of the Lord we are meeting
In communion we are many in one
For wherever we are gathered
There our Lord will be
There our Lord will be

At the table of the Lord
At the table of the Lord
At the table of the Lord
We shall be free

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SONG OF RESPONSE – In You Lord, I Refuge Take

In you Lord I refuge take
Let me not be put to shame
Turn your ear and quickly make
Safety for my trembling frame
You're a rock and fortress strong
I am lost and cannot see
For your name's sake lead me on
In your hands my soul redeem

My eyes weak with sorrow grow
And my body fills with grief
All my years pass with a groan
My strength fails my bones are weak
Those who see me turn to flee
My friends' eyes are filled with dread
Like a potter's broken dream
In their gaze a shade of death

But I trust you are my God
All my days are in your hands
Let your face upon me shine
Make me in your love to stand
Great the steadfast love you've stored
For the poor who refuge seek
In your presence gracious Lord
In your dwelling they find peace

When I cried in my alarm
I am cut off from your sight
Praise the Lord whose saving arm
Was my rescue and my light
Love the Lord all you his saints
You who in him refuge take
Though in darkness you may wait
All who hope in God are saved

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30 Days of Prayer

NOVEMBER 2026

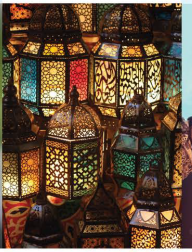
A Month of Prayer for Global Missions

mtw Mission to the World

Please join millions around the world in praying on November 1, the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church, as we remember believers who suffer simply because they confess Jesus Christ as Lord.

"At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison—that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak." *Col 4:3-4*

NOVEMBER 1: International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Pray for believers around the world who are persecuted for their faith. Ask God to give them perseverance, protection, and boldness.	**2** Pray for the core team of Cornerstone Community Church–Nairobi as they establish a gospel-centered church that aims to reach Nairobi, Kenya's diverse communities.	**3** Pray for Church Planting Institute Japan's November 2026 conference and for U.S. volunteers traveling to assist. Pray that the conference will be encouraging and have lasting impact.	**4** Pray for continued growth of the church planting network in northern Mexico.	**5** Pray for the launch of RUF-G across Europe (Brussels, Krakow, Helsinki, and London) and for students to discover the hope of the gospel. Pray for university work in Italy as well.	**6** Pray for the many short-term trip participants who have gone out this year. Pray that the Lord would call many of them to go as longer-term missionaries.	**7** Pray for the equipping and launching of dispersed Syrian Muslim background believers back to Syria—to multiply disciples and plant churches.
8 Pray for sound, biblical, Christ-centered churches to be planted in Malawi and a strong, healthy presbytery to form.	**9** Pray that Japanese teenagers will meet Jesus through Connect and Bridge, tween and teen youth ministries in Nagoya, Japan.	**10** Pray for insight into what new fields to open in the Americas region, as well as for open doors.	**11** Pray for Oxford Presbyterian Church to faithfully share the gospel among the many nations represented in this U.K. city.	**12** Praise for the many people who serve in missions through MTW's home office. Pray that the Lord would encourage both staff and their families.	**13** Pray for the church in Israel and Palestine to know the Messiah's peace and to show Christ's love to the watching world.	**14** Pray for national partners planting Reformed Presbyterian churches in Johannesburg, South Africa, and in Zomba, Malawi.
15 Pray for God to call additional missionaries and local believers to serve at Christ's College in Taiwan, as well as for new students.	**16** Pray that God would raise up missionaries for the Caribbean who are gifted in church nurture and leadership development.	**17** Pray for ministry among the largely unreached Roma people group in Slovakia and beyond.	**18** Pray for new church structures in Syria to provide support, accountability, and ordained leadership. Pray for unity and brotherly love among all new church movements there.	**19** Pray for our medical ministry that teams would bring encouragement, increased credibility and visibility to churches, and for gospel fruit.	**20** Pray for two graduates from the Timothy House program in Senegal beginning rural church planting. Pray also for two men from Guinea Bissau, training to be pastors in The Gambia.	**21** Pray for Setagaya Grace Church in Tokyo, Japan, to be strengthened by Christ and empowered by the Spirit. Pray for revival.
22 Pray that God would raise up Native American and First Nations church leaders. Pray for existing leaders to stay the course, be strong, and be courageous.	**23** Pray for many churches across Europe that struggle to find or keep a consistent place to meet.	**24** Pray for God to call five new team leaders to launch new teams among unreached people groups.	**25** Pray for the planning of internships across the world for the summer of 2027. Pray that God would call many young adults to participate.	**26** Pray for our missionary counseling team which provides counseling to MTW missionaries and MKs all over the world.	**27** Pray for physical, spiritual, and emotional protection for those working with Native American and First Nations peoples. Ask God to give discernment and sensitivity for their unique context.	**28** Pray for a just end to the war in Ukraine and for continued protection of believers and churches there.
29 Pray for a missionary who oversees a pastoral training ministry in a Muslim majority West African country which has seen a rise in jihadist activity and persecution.	**30** Pray for missionary kids to know God, grow in their relationship with Him, and serve as agents of His grace.				Follow daily posts on Instagram @mtwglobal mtw.org/30dop 	