



*"The Lord is my strength and my might, and has become my salvation; this is my God,
and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him." – Exodus 15:2*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 30, 2026 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost

*(*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary to stand. All speak words in **boldface**.)*

PRELUDE

"Trumpet Tune"

Maurice Greene
arr. S. Drummond Wolff

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Presbyterian Women

*PASSING OF THE PEACE & RINGING THE TRINITY

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please take a brief moment to greet those around you)

CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER *(from Psalm 105:1-8)*

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name;

let those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek his presence continually.

He is the Lord our God; his judgments are over all the earth.

He is mindful of his covenant forever,

of the word that he commanded

for a thousand generations.

*HYMN #300

“They'll Know We Are Christians”

THE'LL KNOW WE
ARE CHRISTIANS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you call us, but we do not listen; you send us, but we refuse to go. We are afraid of the costs of speaking for you. We make excuses, fixated on what we cannot do, instead of what we can do. We prefer a false peace based on tranquility and comfort instead of a true peace based upon the presence of justice. Forgive us, Lord. Open our minds to accept our mission of freedom and hope. May confidence in your presence among us encourage us in our service and love of you, so that the Good News of your liberating power may be made known to all people.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Hymn #581 “Glory Be to the Father”

*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.*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 16:13-20

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC

“The Gift of Love”
Alberta Gisel – Alto

Hal Hobson (American Tune)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 12:9-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Grounds for Curiosity”

Rev. George W. Chapman III

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from, *The Westminster Confession*, 1647, Chapter X/XXXV

What do we believe?

**God in infinite and perfect love,
having provided in the covenant of grace,
through the mediation and sacrifice
of the Lord Jesus Christ,
a way of life and salvation,
sufficient for and adapted
to the whole lost human race,
freely offers this salvation to all.**

**In the gospel, God declares God's love for the world
and the desire that all humankind should be saved;
reveals fully and clearly the only way of salvation;
promises eternal life to all who truly repent
and believe in Christ;
invites and commands all
to embrace the offered mercy;
and by his Spirit accompanying the Word
pleads with humanity to accept
God's gracious invitation. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

**Response: Hymn #606, "Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow"*

*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*

*HYMN #620

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

LAUDA ANIMA

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Ushers: Erskine Blount & Joanne Prettyman

Greeter: Helen Odum

Liturgist: Wendy Hughes

Acolyte: AJ Pendergrass

***As a courtesy to others, please take a moment to silence your cell phone
before our worship service begins.***

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