

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## August 17, 2025

10:30 a.m.

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost** 

## THE CHURCH GATHERS IN WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** "Come Unto Me" Rasley

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### † THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"You Are My Strength When I Am Weak"
(You Are My All in All)

#519

You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

### † CALL TO WORSHIP (from Ps. 113:3, 118:24)

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made -

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: From the rising of the sun to its setting - **People:** may the Lord's name be praised!

All: Let us worship God!

### † OPENING PRAYER

God of glory, when you began creation, you brought light out of the darkness. You made us in your own image and gave us the breath of life. On this Lord's Day, we praise you for your goodness and your mercy, and we ask that you refresh us with your Spirit, so that we may know the peace of Christ and follow him with joy in our daily lives. Amen.

† HYMN

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

#20

### † CALL TO CONFESSION (from Heb. 4:14-16)

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weakness, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Because of this, we may approach the throne of grace with boldness, knowing that we will receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### † PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We ignore even the simplest rules and take detours off of the path of life. We set our minds on what we must have, while turning away from our neighbor and from you. Forgive us, we pray, for we cannot carry the weight of our sin any longer. We need your grace so that we may choose your will and walk in the joyful freedom of the way of discipleship. We pray this in Jesus' name.

#### † SILENT PRAYER

### † ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from 2 Cor. 5:17)

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new

life has begun. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen!

† GLORIA PATRI #581

#### FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

### **WORD**

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (from the Book of Common Worship)

Speak to us, living God, as you have spoken to our ancestors - through the voices of your prophets, the breath of your Spirit, and the life of your Son, so that we may live according to your word, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING
Selections from
Genesis 1-3
Children's Bible p. 20, 22

**SERMON** "Clothed with Grace" Rev. Sandra Hedrick

† HYMN "This Is My Father's World" #370

### † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Heidelberg Catechism, Q1

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

All:

That I belong - body and soul, in life and in death - not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Offering "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" arr. Smith & Music Jo Plunkett, Piano, and Sonja Lewis, Organ Hustad
† Doxology and Prayer of Dedication #606

### THE CHURCH MEETS CHRIST IN THE WORLD

† HYMN "Let All Things Now Living"

#37

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "God of Great and God of Small"

Sleeth

† All those who are able, please stand.

**Worship Assistant: Chuck Hedrick** 

Ushers: Wayne and Cindy Ezell, Dave and Kathy Morrison,
John and Joanne Rose
Deacon Greeter: Sherry Miller

Last Sunday's Attendance: 59

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#### **COMMUNITY CORNER**

WELCOME AND MEMBERSHIP: Welcome to worship at Orange Park Presbyterian Church! There are Connect Cards in the pews for visitor information, communications, and prayer requests (once completed, place in the offering plate). If you would like to talk with Pastor Sandra about becoming a church member, please note that on the card, and she will reach out to you to answer your questions.

**BULLETIN IMAGE** "The Path in the Garden" (1886) is by Gustavo Caillebotte (French, 1848-1894). The artist was born in Paris. When he grew up, he worked a short time as lawyer and engineer but was soon drafted to fight in the Franco-Prussian War. Upon return to civilian life, he turned to painting in the impressionist style and was a patron to other impressionists. Caillebotte loved painting the tranquility of nature, scenes of urban Paris, and the daily life of the upper-class, such as sewing, reading, and playing the piano.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND NURSERY: Children's Church is for ages 4 through 13 and takes place right after the children's message in the worship service. Our nursery is open for the younger ones. If you may be called to serve in either (or both) of these special ways, talk with Nursery Coordinator Laura Wilson or Children's Church Coordinator Laura Maierhoffer.

**SERMON SERIES:** "Silver Linings: When Grace Shines Through" is our theme for four Sundays beginning today. Life doesn't always go as planned, but in times of change and challenge, God is present and at work. This series follows four scripture stories where disruption becomes a doorway to grace, growth, and unexpected gifts. We will begin by following Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden as we practice seeing the "silver linings" in our own lives and responding with gratitude and hope.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** A congregational meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, August 24, to elect a new congregational nominating committee.

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Choir practice will resume on September 3 and 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room below the sanctuary. All are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m., the Adult Forum meets in The Gathering Place, Room 3, using the Bible and studying "The Heidelberg Catechism" by Gary Hansen, which is part of the PCUSA "Being Reformed" curriculum (Debbie Pendry). Travelers' Class meets in The Gathering Place, Room 4, and is studying "Better Decisions, Fewer Regrets," by Andy Stanley (Cathy Sanders). The Seekers meet in the church office library and are using "The Parables of Jesus" by J. Dwight Pentecost (Ricky Kirby).