



HUDSON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *Those who are able are welcome to stand.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 9:7-10 & 15-16

Lay Reader, George Lowe

Leader: But the LORD sits enthroned forever; he has established his throne for justice, and he judges the world with righteousness he judges the peoples with uprightness.

People: The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Leader: The nations have sunk in the pit that they made; in the net that they hid, their own foot has been caught.

People: The LORD has made himself known; he has executed judgment; the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Hymn No. 3

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Sovereign and Covenant God, You are the Alpha and the Omega, holding all of history within Your eternal decree. The entire universe is Yours, sustained by Your absolute providence. Yet, we confess our persistent unbelief in Your total victory over sin and death. In our depravity and pride, we foolishly rely on our own perceived autonomy. In our faithlessness, we fixate on our present afflictions and failures rather than resting in Your sovereign promises. Forgive our spiritual blindness, O Lord. By Your Word and Spirit, renew our hearts to trust that You will bring creation to its intended consummation, and will dwell with us eternally in a new heaven and a new earth where death and suffering are swallowed up in victory. All this we plead through the finished work of Jesus Christ, to the praise of Your glorious grace. Amen.

(Please take a moment to silently confess your sins to the Lord)

***PROCLAMATION OF FORGIVENESS** Ephesians 1:7–9

[7] In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, [8] which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight [9] making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ (ESV)

***GLORIA PATRI**

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.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER

(A time to share our Thanksgiving and Requests to the Lord and with our Church family)

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; and 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 glory forever. Amen.*

OFFERTORY

We Have Found a Lovely Vine

Gordon Young

***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 THANKSGIVING**

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

The Love of God

Hymn No. 157

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

“Haman’s End”
Esther 7:1-10

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***CLOSING HYMN**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Hymn No. 151

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Allegro Vivace

G. F. Handel

***FELLOWSHIP** Please join us downstairs in the fellowship hall.

SERMON SCRIPTURE

Esther 6:14 – 7:1-10

[14] While they were yet talking with him, the king's eunuchs arrived and hurried to bring Haman to the feast that Esther had prepared. (ESV)

[1] So the king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. [2] And on the second day, as they were drinking wine after the feast, the king again said to Esther, "What is your wish, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." [3] Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor in your sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be granted me for my wish, and my people for my request. [4] For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have been silent, for our affliction is not to be compared with the loss to the king." [5] Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has dared to do this?" [6] And Esther said, "A foe and enemy! This wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

[7] And the king arose in his wrath from the wine-drinking and went into the palace garden, but Haman stayed to beg for his life from Queen Esther, for he saw that harm was determined against him by the king. [8] And the king returned from the palace garden to the place where they were drinking wine, as Haman was falling on the couch where Esther was. And the king said, "Will he even assault the queen in my presence, in my own house?" As the word left the mouth of the king, they covered Haman's face. [9] Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Moreover, the gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, is standing at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." [10] So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the wrath of the king abated. (ESV)

NOTES

WEEKLY

SUNDAY

Sunday Studies 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Youth Group 6:30-8pm

MONDAY

AA 7pm

TUESDAY

Women's Bible Study 10am

THURSDAY

Youth Bells 5pm

Adult Bells 6:30pm

AA 7pm

Men's Bible Study 7pm

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Kristine Dimonte

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CELEBRATIONS

Another Year of Life

Mark Justice

Bill Wooldredge

Another Year of Life Together

None This Week

NEWS

Fellowship Coffee: Please consider signing up to host an after-worship fellowship hour this fall. Open spots are available. A sign-up sheet is available in the kitchen. Training is provided. Contact Pat Wonderland for more information.

Help Us Share the Service: Join the A/V Team! Looking for a practical way to serve on Sunday mornings? Our Audio/Visual team is looking for volunteers to help run sound, and livestreaming. No prior experience is necessary, and training is fully provided through shadowing. You will be joining a rotation to serve approximately once a month. If you're comfortable with a computer or eager to learn, we would love to have you. Contact Pastor Shawn if you are interested

Men's Huddle Breakfast: Saturday November 7 at 9 am in the fellowship hall. All men are invited to enjoy food, fellowship, and a presentation by Mike Solosky of Haven of Rest Ministries

Join Our Nursery Team: Help us create a safe, joyful environment for our babies and toddlers during Sunday worship by joining our rotation schedule and serving approximately once a month. To find out more, please reach out to Kristine Dimonte 440-281-0379

Operation Christmas Child: October's giving focus is games/activities & clothing and accessories