

**October 13, 2024; 9:00 am**  
Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

## **We Gather Together**

*Welcome to today's Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom, watching on our YouTube channel, or listening on KFIZ, we are glad you are here. For those in person, please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. We extend a special welcome to our visitors, and if you have not already received your welcome gift, please pick one up as you leave the sanctuary after worship.*

*Copies of the Glory to God hymnal and Common English Bibles are available at the back of the sanctuary for your use during worship.*

**Prelude: "Fugue in G"**  
"Kingsfold"

*by C.H. Trevor*  
*arr. by George Mims*

**Welcome & Announcements**

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

## **Ringling of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ**

### **\*Call to Worship**

*Wendy P.*

God has called all God's people to lives of hope and service.

**We want to serve God, but sometimes life gets to be too difficult for us.**

Place your trust in God's power and love.

**God understands our needs, our sorrows, and our joys.**

Come, let us worship God who is with us always.

**Praise God for God's eternal presence. AMEN.**

### **\* Opening Prayer**

Lord, you have called us here this day for healing, hope, and transformation.

As we listen to the Scripture, pray our prayers, sing our hymns, and hear the

words of wisdom, open our hearts to hear your claim on our lives; that we

may fully and joyfully serve you. AMEN.

**\*Opening Hymn: GTG 13 “The Mighty God with Power Speaks”**

*Carol W., Cantor*

**\*Call to Confession**

*Wendy P.*

Let us willingly embrace that which we believe is true - we can come to the seat of grace, bringing our prayers of confession to the One who is filled to overflowing with mercy and hope. Join me as we pray together,

**\*Prayer of Confession**

*Wendy P.*

**Lord, we look for you in the wrong places. We put our trust in material things. We worry about things we cannot change. We wonder if you are even there at all. For all the times we have doubted you, Lord, forgive us. For all the ways we have neglected your word and ignored your people, forgive us.**

*Silent Confession*

*(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)*

Do not be far from us, Lord. **There is no one else we can turn to for help. Renew our fickle hearts and help us put our trust in you**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

There is no wrong that God cannot make right. There is no chasm that can separate us from God’s love. The Lord is patient and kind, generous and good. God will not forsake you or leave you. Turn to the Lord with confidence and put your faith in God’s great mercy. By the power of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made whole. Amen.

**\*Sharing God’s Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

*(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula ‘The Peace of Christ.’ ‘And also, with you.’ Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. **We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.**)*

**\*Sung Response GTG 582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”**

## **God's Word Is Proclaimed**

**Psalm Reading: Psalm 90:12-17 (Common English Bible)**  
(page 548 in the pew Bible, page 737 in the Common English Bible)

Teach us to number our days  
so we can have a wise heart.

**Come back to us, Lord!**

**Please, quick!**

**Have some compassion for your servants!**

Fill us full every morning with your faithful love  
so we can rejoice and celebrate our whole life long.

**Make us happy for the same amount of time that you afflicted us—  
for the same number of years that we saw only trouble.**

Let your acts be seen by your servants;  
let your glory be seen by their children.

**Let the kindness of the Lord our God be over us.**

**Make the work of our hands last.**

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**Gospel Reading: Mark 10:17-31 (Common English Bible)**  
(page 46 in the pew Bible, page 1230 in the Common English Bible)

As Jesus continued down the road, a man ran up, knelt before him, and asked, "Good Teacher, what must I do to obtain eternal life?"

Jesus replied, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except the one God. You know the commandments: *Don't commit murder. Don't commit adultery. Don't steal. Don't give false testimony. Don't cheat. Honor your father and mother.*" (Quoting Exodus 20:12-16; Deuteronomy 5:16-20)

"Teacher," he responded, "I've kept all of these things since I was a boy."

Jesus looked at him carefully and loved him. He said, "You are lacking one thing. Go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor. Then you will have treasure in heaven. And come, follow me." But the man was dismayed at this statement and went away saddened, because he had many possessions.

Looking around, Jesus said to his disciples, “It will be very hard for the wealthy to enter God’s kingdom!” His words startled the disciples, so Jesus told them again, “Children, it’s difficult to enter God’s kingdom! It’s easier for a camel to squeeze through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter God’s kingdom.”

They were shocked even more and said to each other, “Then who can be saved?”

Jesus looked at them carefully and said, “It’s impossible with human beings, but not with God. All things are possible for God.”

Peter said to him, “Look, we’ve left everything and followed you.”

Jesus said, “I assure you that anyone who has left house, brothers, sisters, mother, father, children, or farms because of me and because of the good news will receive one hundred times as much now in this life—houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and farms (with harassment)—and in the coming age, eternal life. But many who are first will be last. And many who are last will be first.”

**Children’s Time**

*Jennifer Zander*

**Hymn: GTG 697 “Take My Life” v. 1, 4, 5, 6**

**Sermon: “Keys to the Kingdom”**

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

## Prayers of the People

Arnold L.	Jesse F.	Qualine S.* (Jodi A mom)
Ashley K.* (Dave E daughter)	Joan K. (Marcus A. Mom)	Pass Family
Bob & Ollive B.	Karen & David H.*	Pat D.
Brian C.	<b>Lee M.</b>	Pat M.* (Bonnie H sister)
Bruce L.* (Arnold L's son)	Liam A.	Paul W.
Chastity G. & Joan S.	Lynn K.*	Sally S.
Corinne C.	Lynn M.	Sherry M.
Danielle B.	Marie L.	<b>Shirley R*</b>
Dick and Maryann*	Mike S.*	<b>Vern A.* (Debra S dad)</b>
Gib D.	Nancy H	

The names in bold are new to the prayer list. The names with an asterisk (\*) are not church members. However, a church member has received permission to ask that they be lifted in prayer.

If you or someone you know wants added to our prayer list, contact a Deacon or the church staff. Prayer request cards are available in the Prayer Box located in the Narthex, in the church pews, or online ([click here](#)). You can place your prayer request in the offering plate or the lock box at the church office door. For electronic prayer requests, please complete the form and click submit.

If you have a pastoral concern, that happens before or after office hours, please call the office (920.922.0425), press #2 for Pastoral Care.

## 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 sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.  
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

## **We Respond to God's Word**

### **The Practice of Gratitude**

*In response to God's Word and remembering all things come from God, we offer with thanks a portion of that which God has entrusted to us. The ushers will collect God's tithes and our offerings. For those who have given in other forms, there are cards in the pew racks that you may use as a tangible action of gratitude to God. No matter what we return to God in material forms, may we spiritually place our hearts, and our very lives, in God's hands, to be re-shaped for ministry in Christ, furthering God's kingdom here on earth.*

**Offering Music:** "Prelude" & "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Henry H.

**\*Offertory: GTG 708** "We Give Thee but Thine Own" v. 1 & 4

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*Sending Hymn: GTG 687** "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" v 1, 3, 5 & 6

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude:** "St. Anne"

*arr. by Gerhard Krapf*

## **This Week**

### **Sunday**

9:00-10:00am  
10:15-11:15am  
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12:00-1:30pm

### **October 13**

Worship  
Fellowship Time  
Growing Connections-Organizational Structure  
Sunday School in the Gathering Room  
Worship Team

### **Monday**

10:00-11:30am  
2:00-6:00pm

### **October 14**

Staff Meeting  
Blood Drive

### **Tuesday**

6:30-8:00pm

### **October 15**

Slow Church Study

### **Wednesday**

8:00-9:00am  
10:00-11:30am  
4:00-5:00pm

### **October 16**

Men's Breakfast  
Slow Church Study  
Hand Bell Rehearsal

### **Friday**

7:00-9:00pm  
8:00pm-8:00am

### **October 18**

Cribbage  
Boy Scout Lock In

### **Sunday**

9:00-10:00am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
10:15-11:15am  
11:30-12:45pm  
1:00-2:00pm

### **October 20**

Worship  
Fellowship Time  
Growing Connections- Making Difference One Stitch at a Time  
Sunday School in the Gathering Room  
PYA Lunch and Activities  
PYA at the Woodlands

## **Financial Giving and Gratitude**

You can give online at [www.fdlpresbyterian.org](http://www.fdlpresbyterian.org) [Giving page](#). (Click on 'Online Giving'.) You can also give by cash or check on Sunday morning, or by mail. We are so very thankful for your contributions that help us do God's work in our church and in our community.

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### **October**

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Amber Summeril

**Elder of the Month:**

Larry Johnson

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