

*Doxology No. 606
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

***Hymn of Commissioning** This Little Light of Mine

***Benediction**

Postlude

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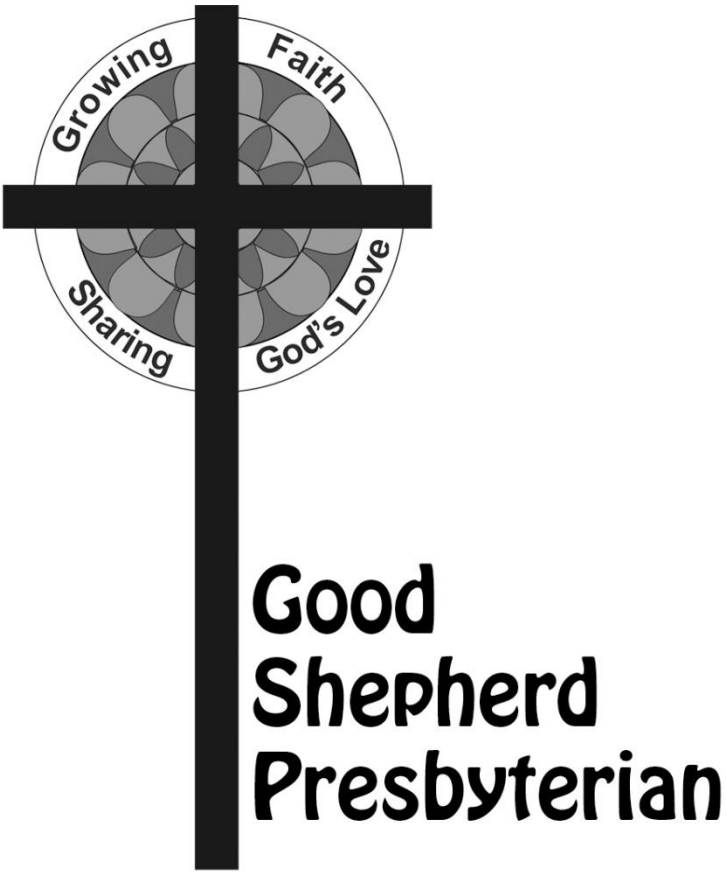
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October 12, 2025

Sunday Order of Worship
11:00 am

**We are a community of believers, sharing God’s love, in worship
and service, as disciples of Jesus Christ.**

The marks of this life are:
Pray daily;
Worship weekly;
Enjoy spiritual friendships;
Read and study the Scriptures;
Engage in service in and beyond the church;
Share the Good News of the Gospel with others, and
Practice generosity with one’s time, talent, and money.

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* Those who are able, please stand. **Bold** is to be read in unison.

Prayer of Preparation

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being: You have made us for Yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in You. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing Your will, no weakness keep us from doing it; that in Your light we may see light clearly, and in Your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Welcoming and Announcements

Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Folder in the pew rack. **Visitors:** Please completely fill out your name, mailing address, and e-mail address to enable us to extend our Christian hospitality. Please pass the folder to your neighbor, and then return it to the center aisle with the cover open so that you may learn the names of the other worshipers. **For sight impaired worshipers:** Large Print Hymnals are available from the ushers. **For hearing impaired worshipers:** We recommend downloading the Listen Everywhere app.

*Greeting One Another in Love

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Almighty God, You alone can bring order to our unruly wills and affections.

People: Give us grace to love what You command and desire what You promise, that in all the changes and chances of this uncertain world, our hearts may be surely fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

*Hymn of Praise

Amazing Grace

No. 649

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

*Assurance of God’s Grace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
Romans 5:1-2, NRSV

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

John 20:21-23

Pew Bible page 769

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 3:1-21

Pew Bible pages 192-193

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Sermon

When God Calls, Say Yes

Rev. Russ Weekley

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of the Day

We Praise You, O God

No 612

*Affirmation of Faith

All saints—who are united to Jesus Christ their head by His Spirit and by faith—have fellowship with Him in His graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory. And, being united to one another in love, they participate in each other’s gifts and graces and are obligated to perform those public and private duties that lead to their mutual good, both inwardly and outwardly. It is the duty of professing saints to maintain a holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God and in performing such other spiritual services as help them to edify one another. It is their duty also to come to the aid of one another in material things according to their various abilities and necessities. As God affords opportunity, this communion is to be extended to all those in every place who call on the name of the Lord Jesus.

—from Westminster Confession (MESV), Chap. XXVI, Sec. 1-2

Prayer of Intercession and 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 the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offering

Offertory