



**commit your work to the LORD and
your plans will be established** Proverbs 16:3

**INDEPENDENCE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



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Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. ~ Jeremiah 17:7-8

~ GATHERING ~

Welcome, we are glad you are here! If you are visiting us today and would like to know more about us, see our greeters, or leave your contact info and our pastor will reach out.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Psalm 65:5)*

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation
**You are the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.**

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on Psalm 84)*

Let us come with joy to worship in the house of God.

**How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!**

My soul longs, it faints, for the courts of the Holy One;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest to lay her young.

Happy are those who live in your house, whose strength is in you.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!

O Lord of hosts,

happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Come, let us worship with joy in the house of God.

*HYMN

WE CANNOT MEASURE HOW YOU HEAL

GTG #797

by John L. Bell

YE BANKS AND BRAES

*POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

*LITANY OF SENDING

One: Let us send our children with God's love:

All: May God be with you there.

Kids: May God be with you here.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, your truth is oftentimes hard to hear. We confess our avoidance, our purposeful distractions, our prideful arrogance that keeps us from hearing and responding to your Word. Although you send us messages and messengers, we dismiss and disregard those who tell us we are wrong. Have mercy upon us, Holy God. Open us to hearing the truth no matter how it is conveyed. Amen. [*Silent Confession*]

***RESPONSE**

LORD, HAVE MERCY
American folk melody

GTG #551
LAND OF REST

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

***INSTRUMENTAL**

I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER
African American spiritual

~ *THE WORD* ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 18:9-14

(NRSV)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN

IF THOU BUT TRUST IN GOD TO GUIDE THEE

GTG #816

by Georg Neumark; trans. Catherine Winkworth; WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

HEBREW BIBLE

JEREMIAH 17:5-10

(NRSV)

SERMON

WHERE IS OUR HOPE GROUNDED?

Rev. Bauhof

RESPONSE

AMEN

GTG #601

Anon. Danish

~ **RESPONDING TO THE WORD** ~

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*Adapted from the Confession of 1967*)

Already God's reign is present as an agitation in the world, stirring hope in humanity and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

“Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

***INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Offering plates are available in the back.

***RESPONSE**

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~ **SENDING** ~

***HYMN**

MY LIFE FLOWS ON

GTG #821

by Robert Lowry HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE**

GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN

(verse 1) #541

by Jeremiah Eames Rankin

RANDOLPH

POSTLUDE

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