LET US WORSHIP GOD!

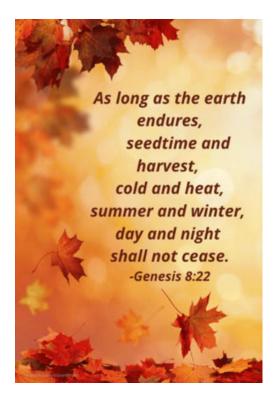
November 2, 2025-10:30 AM

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER





Today's worship team—Guest Musicians: Cheryl & Jim Kay; Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Beverly Mate; Message: Rev. David Wenker, Pulpit Supply; Worship Production: Norris Clark





WELCOME! WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today! Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online:

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Message Preview:

Rev. David Wenker's Message is titled

"Our Calling to be Faithful Stewards".

Stewardship is not just about how much money we put in the offering. It is about how we manage all the gifts and blessings God has given us. If all that we have and all that we are is given to us by God, then what we do with our lives is the gift of gratitude we offer God

MUSIC PREVIEW:

We are very thankful to *James and Cheryl Kay*, Pastor Dave's friends, for leading our hymns and performing the Offertory piece. Thank you for sharing your musical talents with us!

Presbyterian Church

The story behind "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) is that of John Newton, an 18th-century slave trader who underwent a spiritual conversion after a near-fatal shipwreck in 1748. He later became an Anglican priest and wrote the original hymn to express his profound sense of having been a "wretch" whom God saved and transformed. The modern version, "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)," adds a chorus that explicitly celebrates this freedom from spiritual bondage.

The song "Gratitude" by Brandon Lake was written with co-writers Ben Hastings and Dante Bowe in Australia, stemming from a conversation about how there is nothing humans can give to an all-powerful God except their worship. They concluded that the only true gift is a song and the act of praise, which is symbolized by the "lion in your lungs" in the lyrics. The song nearly didn't make Lake's album but was included after it resonated deeply with others, notably in The Chosen Christmas special, which helped it gain widespread popularity.

Our hymn of preparation, Jenn Johnson's song "Goodness of God", is rooted in her personal reflection and the recent adoption of her son, leading to an impromptu recording while driving. Overwhelmed with gratitude for God's faithfulness during this life-changing event, she recorded the song's initial ideas on her phone, which later became the basis for the well-known anthem of God's continuous support.

PRELUDE WELCOME:

JAYNE McDonough
Rev. David Wenker

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP: (RESPONSIVE). LITURGIST: BEVERLY MATE

One: This is the day the Lord has made. Many: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

OPENING PRAYER: (RESPONSIVE)

Quenching Spirit, There is something deeply satisfying in our souls when we worship you with passion and sincerity. Your presence is like water to a thirsty soul and your word is like food to the hungry heart. So feed us today the food that satisfies as we open our hearts in worship to you. AMEN

GATHERING HYMN - "AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)"
LED BY CHERYL & JIM KAY

Amazing grace How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost, but now I'm found Was blind, but now I see 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed.

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

My chains are gone I've been set free My God, my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy reigns Unending love, amazing grace.

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace.
The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine But God,
Who called me here below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

CALL TO CONFESSION:

The Book of James tells us every good thing comes from God (James 1:17). The best parts of ourselves, of those we love. The color purple. Chocolate chip cookies. Friendship. The way trees use networks of fungi to help each other thrive. Yet, the world contains ugliness. We contain ugliness. Let us confess our shortcomings as a community that we may be free to live into our God-given purpose again.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON)

We admit we are not very good at identifying our God hunger. Even when we do we try to satisfy it with all sorts of things that do not satisfy. Forgive us for all the spiritually unhealthy substitutes we give our hearts. Teach us where the food comes from that satisfies our souls. We pray in Jesus name. AMEN Silent Reflection

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE: (RESPONSIVE)

One: Hear the good news of the gospel. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* The Gloria

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (A VARIATION ON PSALM 19:14)

Lord, may the words of my mouth and the meditation of all of our hearts be pleasing and acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our foundation. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: EPHESIANS 4: 11-16

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

MESSAGE: "OUR CALLING TO BE FAITHFUL STEWARDS" REV. DAVID WENKER

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER: LINDA HADRAVA

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS:

We are called to participate in God's through the choices we make with our time, our talents, our emotions and our physical resources. Let us honor God with our offering.

OFFERTORY: "GRATITUDE" PERFORMED BY CHERYL & JIM KAY

- 1. All my words fall short I got nothing new How could I express All my gratitude?
- 2. I could sing these songs As I often do But every song must end And You never do
- Ch. So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again 'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, hallelujah And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a King Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, hallelujah
- 3. I've got one response I've got just one move With my arms stretched wide I will worship You
- Ch. So I throw up my hands And praise You again and again 'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, hallelujah And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a King Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, hallelujah
- [Br.] So come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me
 Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs
 Get up and praise the Lord
 Oh, come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me
 Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs
 Get up and praise the Lord

Come on my soul, oh, don't you get shy on me Lift up your song, 'cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs Get up and praise the Lord, hey Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Praise the Lord

Ch. So I throw up my hands Praise You again and again 'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, hallelujah And I know it's not much But I've nothing else fit for a King Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, hallelujah

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Community News

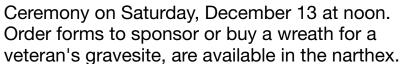


Birthdays and Anniversaries:
Birthday Blessings to:
Larry Moyer ~ Nov. 4

Flowers: To donate flowers in memory, or in honor, of a loved one, sign up in the narthex and/or contact Beverly Mate, 609-847-1530. (\$20/vase).



Wreaths Across America



SAVE THE DATE: CHURCH DECORATING FOR ADVENT ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 10:00 a.m.

Let Beverly Mate know if you are available to help!

Seeking Readers, for our Advent Candle Lightings, families, couples, friends, all welcome! See Pastor Dave for details

WREATHS

AMERICA

RECEIVING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: Paula Spence is through her heart procedure and doing well; Comfort for friends & family of John Stroble, a veteran who passed away; Abby Carr awaiting a lung transplant; Marge Wetherill & her family in the loss of her older brother Fred. Claudia Kammer being treated for Alzheimer's disease at Univ. of Penn.; Wesley Tomlin, had successful surgery and is doing well; Dee's classmate, Josiah Peace & family on the loss of their son in a tragic motorcycle accident; Bev's sister-in-law, Kim Henry is moving to a dementia care facility; Pam's neighbor, Ed grieving the loss of his daughter, who passed away; Blessings to Jonna & Dale Myers as they move away to Moorestown, NJ; Ariana Palmer, 23 year old awaiting heart transplant.

<u>Continual prayer requested for:</u> **Eileen Stalford** in nursing care; **Pastor Bob & Anna Sheidly** friends of Bob Heinly, as they battle multiple maladies of aging; Bob Sheidly is now the caretaker for Anna, who is having more health difficulties. **Betty**, Beverly's mother in law suffering with dementia.

<u>Those on hospice care:</u> Marty, John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Ted Lewis

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Kiley Fulford; Bob Maher, Karen R., Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Donna, Liz, Joe, Jennifer, Lori, Ruth, Debbie, Mike Grecco Norma, Roseann Crook, Christa, Jackie, Diane, Charlotte Holman, Joe Paulits, Gretchen, Ray, Carl & Ann Ferrari, Robert.

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION - "GOODNESS OF GOD" LED BY CHERYL & JIM KAY

I love You, Lord Oh Your mercy never fails me All my days, I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up Until I lay my head Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God Cause all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice You have led me through the fire And in darkest night You are close like no other I've known You as a Father I've known You as a Friend And I have lived in the goodness of God, yeah

And all my life You have been faithful, ohh And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God, yeah

Invitation To All: Come To The Lord's Table!

REV. DAVID WENKER

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(Responsive)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you,....

... who taught us to pray, saying,

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers,

Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,

Now we are friends.

BENEDICTION: POSTLUDE:

REV. DAVID WENKER JAYNE McDonough

Go in peace. See you next week!

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- 1. God Welcomes All CCLI Song #5495557
- 2. Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone): Chris Tomlin, John Newton, Louie Giglio,; CCLI Song #4768151
- 3. Gloria Public Domaine
- 4. Gratitude: Brandon Lake, Ben Hastings, Dante Bowe; CCLI Song #7117726
- 5. Doxology CCLI Song #4255578
- 6. Goodness of God: Bethel Music, Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Ben Fielding, and Brian Johnson; CCLI Song #