

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 25th, 2026 | 10:30 am Worship Service

§ Invites you to rise in body or spirit with the people of God.

As fallen people, we must be called from our worship of the created and focus on the proper worship of the Creator.

-WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST

One: Give thanks to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere.

All: **We rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.**

-based on 2 Corinthians 2:14 & Romans 5:11

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

HYMN 49

Verse 1 **O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of His grace!**

Verse 2 **My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of Thy name.**

Verse 3 **Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows, cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.**

Verse 7 **Glory to God, and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.**

Verse 1

**Jesus, keep me near the cross,
there a precious fountain,
free to all, a healing stream,
flows from Calv'ry's mountain.**

(Chorus)

**In the cross, in the cross
be my glory ever,
till my ransomed soul shall find
rest beyond the river.**

Verse 2

**Near the cross, a trembling soul,
love and mercy found me;
there the Bright and Morning Star
shed His beams around me.**

Verse 3

**Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
bring its scenes before me;
help me walk from day to day
with its shadow o'er me.**

Verse 4

**Near the cross! I'll watch and wait,
hoping, trusting ever,
till I reach the golden strand,
just beyond the river.**

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Moment for Silent Personal Confession

As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

All: **O Almighty God, I humbly ask you to make me like a tree planted by the waterside, that I may bring forth fruits of good living in due season. Forgive my past offenses, sanctify me now, and direct all that I should be in the future, for Christ's sake. Amen.**

§ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

§ RESPONSE TO PARDON

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.

GLORIA PATRI

HYMN 614

We pray for the world because God loves it. God created the world and cares for it. To abide in God's love is to share God's concern for the world. Our prayers should therefore be as specific as God's tender compassion for the least ones among us.

-WE SHARE OUR LIFE & GIFTS -

PASTORAL PRAYER 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;
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.

OFFERTORY

§ RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

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 DEDICATION

- WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD -

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SHORTER CATECHISM Q/A 88

Q. What are the outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption?

A. The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption are, his ordinances, especially the Word, sacraments, and prayer; all which are made effectual to the elect for salvation.

MEMORY VERSE

ACTS 2:42 ESV

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 19

LITURGIST

ONE THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.
ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

DISMISSAL FOR JR. CHURCH

SERMON SCRIPTURE

ACTS 2:42-47

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

SERMON

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Through the sermon we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow Him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the Gospel to others through our words and deeds.

§ CLOSING HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Words and Music by
Peter Scholtes

D = 56

1 We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord; We are
2 We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand; We will
3 We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side; We will
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come; And all

5 Am D7/A Em D/E Em

one walk with each Spir - it, we are one walk hand in the Lord. And we -
work with each oth - er, we will work on side by side. And And we'll
praise to Christ Je - sus, His on ly Son. And And we all

9 Am D7/A Em D/E Em

pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored. And they'll
geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land. And they'll
guard each man's dig - ni - ty and save each man's pride. And they'll
praise to the Spir - it, who makes us. And they'll

13 C Em Am

know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love, yes they'll

17 Em Am D7/A Em

know we are Chris - tians by our love.

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

The rose on the table is in honor of the birth of Hudson John Schmitt. Congratulations to the parents Jonathan and Jenna Schmitt (and big brother Liam) on the birth of your son.

THURSDAY MORNING STUDY AND PRAYER TIME: *A Good Confession* study continues Thursday, at 9:30 am, in the pastor's study.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school has begun the study, *Saved, Experiencing the Promise of the Book of Acts* by Nancy Guthrie. There will be a personal Bible study and discussion question resource provided. They are on the table downstairs along with the books. Doing the Bible study and questions is not a requirement; they are meant to enhance the book text. All are welcomed to join Sunday mornings at 9:30, downstairs in the back Fellowship Hall room.

HOPEWELL ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING: The Congregation of Hopewell Presbyterian Church will hold its annual meeting today immediately following service, for the purpose of receiving the 2025 Annual Report, to approve the Nominating Committee Report, Elect 3 At Large Nominating Committee Members for 2026, to review the 2026 Annual Budget, and to approve the Pastor Compensation Package for 2026

WOMEN'S WINTER/SPRING BIBLE STUDY: *Sermon on the Mount*, by Jen Wilkin How does the "Old" law meet the "New" way of Jesus? Last fall in our study of the Ten Commandments, we learned the Ten Words graciously position us to live at peace with God and others. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the true and better Moses, takes those ancient words and writes them directly onto our hearts.

Join us for a transformative study as we walk through the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7) and discover how Jesus didn't abolish the Ten Commandments, but fulfilled them with grace, depth, and a call to a higher kind of love.

Gathering Details

When: Wednesday January 28, @ 6:30, or Friday January 30 @ 9:00 AM

Where: Hopewell

Duration: 9 Weeks

Book will be available the week before the first lesson. Child care will be available on Wednesday night. If you have not signed up, there is a sign up sheet in the side sanctuary. Suggested \$10.00 donation.

MEN'S WINTER / SPRING BIBLE STUDY: The men will also be starting their Bible study on Wednesday, January 28th. They too will be studying the Sermon on the Mount by digging into the study, *The Sermon on the Mount: Kingdom Life in a Fallen World* by Sinclair B. Ferguson. There are two times that will be offered. The first will be on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (childcare will be provided) or Thursdays at noon at David Yount's office (9 East Court Street, Franklin (entrance is off of Jefferson St.) Books will be available starting Sunday, January 18th. Suggested \$10.00 donation.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS: Meals will begin again this Wednesday, January 28th starting at 5:45 pm downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. This week we will be having beef stew, salad, rolls, and dessert. Come hungry and invite a friend for some hearty stew and good fellowship.

- ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED-

CORN ROAST PHOTOS: We need your help! This year at our annual corn roast we would love to show our history of this event. If you or anyone you know has pictures from previous corn roasts we would love for you to share them.

Here's some ways to share;

1. There is a link on the main page our website. Click it and it will take you to "Dropbox" where you can upload your photos.
2. Scan the QR code below. It will also take you to "Dropbox" to drop your pictures. If you do this on your phone you do NOT need to download the app. Just click "open in browser" and you can get to it from there.
3. Photos can be dropped off to the church and will be scanned and returned. Put your photos in an envelope with your name and phone number on the front and place it in the large manilla envelope labeled "Corn Roast Photos" on the side sanctuary table.



BLESSING BOX: The canned goods are starting to go, yay! That being said, that means that stock is starting to run low. Soups and stews are popular, but as always anything is appreciated. With the cold temperatures hats, gloves, and socks are going fast too. Donations can be placed in the basket in the side sanctuary under the "Blessing Box" sign.

MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFAST: It's right around the corner. Here are some dates and locations to place on your calendar. Saturday, February 21st at Hopewell. February 28th at Boggstown, March 7th at Franklin, and March 14th at Greenwood. More information to follow.

GIVING STATEMENTS: Pick up your giving statements from Kathleen in the side sanctuaty after service.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: Iris Allender - 2nd, Ellen Fox - 6th, Jami Howland - 8th, Nora Berkley, Melinda Frazier and Jen Maurer - 10th, Dave Maurer - 11th, Silas Smith - 12th, Katrina Browning -15th, Hudson Schmitt - 16th, Jason Allender - 17th, Christopher Bolds and Linda Henderson - 19th, Paige Marston and Amy Spencer - 21st, Eric Rose, Thomas Spencer, and Kay Tearman - 26th, Lori Rose and Miles Steinberg - 27th, Eddie Henry - 31st

PRAYER REQUESTS: Bruce Kittle, Cooper Andreas, Kim Hamilton, Peggy Wood, Taylor Brooks, Charlotte Steinberg, Nola Lory, Don Mullen, Lexi Jones, Olive Davidson, Graham Hougland, Becky Wertz, Natalie Raleigh, Fred Burton, Candy Welch, Melinda Frazier, Amy Arkenberg, Dave Pennington, Bill Liverett, Abby Dougherty Nusbaumer, Danny Calvert, Hannah McAdams, Marilyn Hiser, Ashley Kelly, Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer

HOMEBOUND: Norma Jean Fox, Clarellen Kelsay, Pat Mundorff, Becky Wertz

ATTENDANCE: January 18th - 94, January Average - 103, YTD Avg.- 103

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

“True spiritual development is something which God himself gives Our greatest need is to recognize, and to put our lives under, the influences which God uses to produce growth in Christian character.”

- Sinclair Ferguson

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