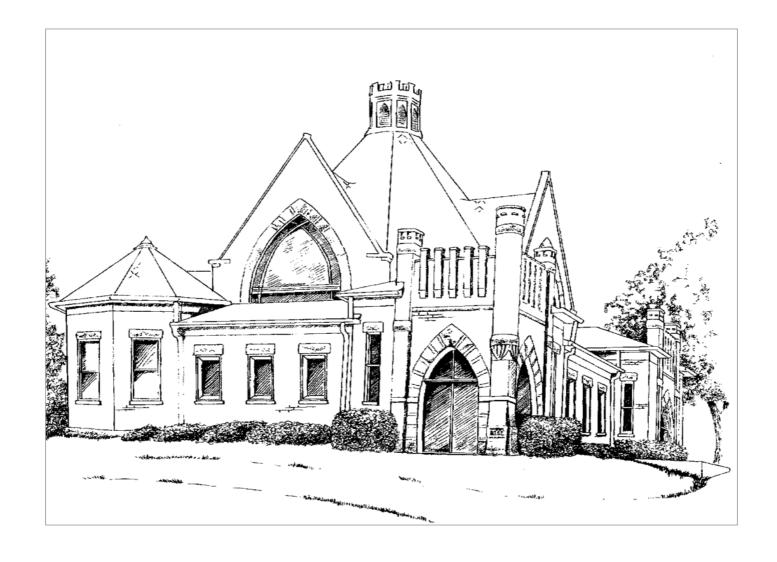
# Service for the Lord's Day

# HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Hopewell Presbyterian Est. 1831

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost All Saints' Sunday November 5th, 2023 | 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 -

Let us now prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Elder

Prelude For All the Saints

Gail Mercer, organ

# § CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST

Arr. Lani Smith

ONE Long ago, at many times and in many ways,

God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,

but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son,

whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

ALL All you who hear, draw near to his temple

and adore the Son of God. -based on Hebrews 1:1-2

§ HYMN OF PRAISE

FOR ALL THE SAINTS

**Hymn 547** 

Verse 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,

who Thee by faith before the world confessed,

Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;

Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one-true Light.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 3 O blest communion, fellowship divine!

We feebly struggle; they in glory shine.

Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 6 But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;

the saints triumphant rise in bright array;

the King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 7 From earth's wide bounds, from oceans' farthest coast,

through gates of pearl stream in the countless host,

singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# § CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith.

Forgive our indifference to your will.

You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful.

Have mercy on us, your faithless servants.

Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

to the praise of your holy name. Amen.

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.

## § Assurance of Pardon

§ RESPONSE TO PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

**Hymn 614** 

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 OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION AND LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

MINISTER God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants

who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death

have witnessed to your truth,

PEOPLE we praise you, O God.

MINISTER For all your servants who have faithfully served you,

witnessed bravely, and died in faith, who still are

shining lights in the world,

PEOPLE we praise you, O God.

MINISTER For those no longer remembered, who earnestly

sought you in darkness, who held fast their faith

in trial, and served others,

PEOPLE we praise you, O God.

MINISTER For those we have known and loved,

who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, who have finished their race and now rest with you.

- Robert Scott
- Joann Esteb(silent reflection)

We give you thanks, O God, and for these your servants,

PEOPLE we praise you, O God.

ALL Keep us grateful for their witness and, like them,

eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints

in light; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter

of our faith, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit.

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 -

We bring our concerns, joys, and burdens to the Lord in prayer and give out of love and awe.

#### 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/CHORAL ANTHEM

FOR THY DEAR SAINTS, O LORD

For thy dear saints, O Lord, who strove in thee to live, who followed thee, obeyed, adored, our grateful hymns receive.

They all in life and death, with thee their Lord in view, learned from the Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do.

Thine earthly members fit to join thy saints above, in one communion ever knit, one fellowship of love.

Jesus, thy Name we bless, and humbly pray that we may follow them in holiness, who lived and died for thee.

# § 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 -

"Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice" Philippians 1:18

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 17:1-8

LITURGIST

ONE This is the word of the Lord.

ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE I PETER 1:3-12

REV. Brandon Jolley

SERMON

REV. BRANDON JOLLEY

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.

# - We Join to Feast -

"Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb."

Revelation 19:9

## HYMN OF PREPARATION

HERE AT THY TABLE, LORD

**HYMN 327** 

Verse 1

Here at Thy table, Lord, this sacred hour, O let us feel Thee near, in loving power; calling our thoughts away from self and sin,

as to Thy banquet hall we enter in.

Verse 2

Come then, O holy Christ, feed us, we pray; touch with Thy pierced hand each common day, making this earthly life full of Thy grace, till in the home of heaven we find our place.

Invitation to the Table

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ONE THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALL AND ALSO WITH YOU.
ONE LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS!

ALL WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD!

ONE LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD

ALL

IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE HIM THANKS AND PRAISE.

Words of Institution

ONE TOGETHER LET US PROCLAIM THE MYSTERIES OF THE FAITH.

ALL CHRIST HAS DIED, CHRIST HAS RISEN, CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN.

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS & LORD'S SUPPER

# - We Go Forth to Proclaim -

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" Romans 10:15

# § Affirmation of Faith

I believe that the Son of God, through his spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member. The communion of saints - believers one and all - as members of this community, share in Christ and in all his treasures and gifts. Each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and cheerfully for the service and enrichment of the other members. - from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 54-55

The Lord's Supper is the culmination and high point of the worship service and is a reminder of the meal we will share in the New Creation. When we eat this meal we are taken up into heaven to feast with the saints and the Lamb.

Elements are distributed from the front of the church and the side sanctuary. Please hold onto each element as we partake corporately.

Closing Hym	N THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION HYMN 316		
Verse 1	The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is His new creation by water and the Word: from heaven He came and sought her to be His holy Bride with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.		
Verse 2	Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.		
Verse 3	Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.		
Verse 4	The Church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend, to guide, sustain and cherish, is with her to the end; though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale, against the foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.		
Verse 5	'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.		

A benediction is literally a "good word" or a blessing to carry with us as we leave our time of worship.

# § BENEDICTION

Verse 6

§ Postlude Festive Voluntary Robert Lau Gail Mercer, organ

like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,

and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:

# - Sermon Notes -

- Questions to Ponder -

WHAT STOOD OUT TO ME?

Where did I see Jesus in this Sermon?

What questions/thoughts do I have?

### - ANNOUNCEMENTS -

The Wednesday night meal is at 6:00 p.m.; Choir meets at 6:30 p.m.

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School (classroom in the basement by the elevators)

10:15 a.m. - Preschool Class

11:00 a.m. - Jr. Church (dismissed during the Worship Service)

Wednesday Prayer - 10:00 a.m. (Note: this a new time)

## HOPE - PEACE - JOY - LOVE

The Board of Deacons invite ALL to join them for a "Get Together Thanksgiving Luncheon" and "Advent Craft-Making Afternoon", **Sunday, November 19th - 12:00 noon** (following church services) The festivities will start with a lunch of Soups and Sides provided by the Deacons. There is no need to bring anything, just come and enjoy the food and fellowship! Following the luncheon, for those interested, there will be an Advent Craft-making activities event for adults and children. If you are interested in making a craft, please put your name on the sign-up sheet located in the side sanctuary. This is just to give us an estimate on supplies to order. Thus far, we have possibly three to four different craft stations: Kids Advent Craft / Advent Wreath / Advent Calendar / and possibly an Advent Ornament or an Advent Snow-Globe.

Penny Power Shopping is right around the corner. Please begin bringing in your "pennies" and placing them in the Penny Power jug in front of the fireplace in the side sanctuary.

## - PRAYER REQUESTS -

- Becky Wertz
- Danny Nickelson pancreatic cancer
- Eleanor Karr recovery from pneumonia
- Elsie Tarsitano recovery from surgery
- Eric Pasborg heart
- Martha Myers pancreatic cancer
- Rick Moss hospice care
- Roy Boyd cancer
- Israel safety, those who are injured, families of victims, and those who are hostages
- Safety for Jews around the globe
- Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer Czech Republic

Sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Peggy Graves.

**Homebound:** Alberta Satter, Clarellen Kelsay, Hugh Carter, Lester Burton, Jean Williams, Mary Catt, and Norma Jean Fox

Attendance: October 29th - 105

## - DISCIPLESHIP READING -

Encountering God in your daily life is the best way to grow your relationship with our Redeemer. This reading plan is from The Bible Team. Along with the daily reading, you will need to read one Psalm each day.

MONDAY	Luke 3	Gospel
TUESDAY	Luke 4	Gospel
WEDNESDAY	Luke 5-6	Gospel
THURSDAY	Luke 7	Gospel
FRIDAY	Luke 8-9	Gospel
DAILY PSALM	Psalm 41-45	Poetry
PRAYER		

November Birthdays: John Ditmars - 1st; Callum Berkley - 3rd; Ty Sempsrott - 5th; Benjamin & Matthew Yount - 11th; Lily Dow - 13th; Carol Poe and Roger Mullins - 16th; Malachi Graham - 18th; Lester Burton & Monica Jolley - 19th; Cassidy Sempsrott and Gail Mercer - 21st; Bill McIntire & Hank Findley - 22nd; Keith Fox - 24th; Parker Wicker - 26th; and Adeline Jolley 29th

Prelude: For All the Saints arr. Lani Smith

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Postlude: Festive Voluntary

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#### - WEEKLY AT HOME LITURGY -

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

- Revelation 5:11-13

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

Kindness flows from you, Lord, pure and continual. You had cast us off, as was only just, but mercifully you forgave us; you hated us and you were reconciled to us, you cursed us and you blessed us; you banished us from paradise, and you called us back again; you took from us the fig leaves that had made us so unseemly a garment, and you put on us a cloak of great value; you opened the prison gates and gave the condemned a pardon; you sprinkled us with clean water and washed away the dirt. Never again, after all this, will Adam blush when you call him, never will he try to hide because his conscience reproaches him, never will he seek concealment under the trees in the garden. The flaming sword will nevermore whirl about the walls of paradise and cut off the entrance from those who approach it. For us that were heirs to his sin, all has been changed to rejoicing; for man now has access to paradise and even to heaven itself. The whole creation, heaven and earth, is at one again in friendship, its former differences forgotten; men join their voices with the angels and echo the angels' praise of God. . . . There is no doubt who it is that dresses the bride in her finery: it is, of course, Christ - he that is and was and will be. Blessed is he, now and throughout the ages. Amen. - Gregory of Nyssa

#### READING OF THE LAW

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

- Deuteronomy 6:4-9

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

I pray you heartily to look upon me with the eyes of your mercy, as you did look upon the evildoer, who was hanged upon the cross beside you, and did open his heart that he confessed his sins; and he was mightily afraid of them, but yet despaired not, but confessed and desired your grace and mercy which you gave to him willing and plentifully. . . . Therefore, dear God and merciful Father, will I strengthen myself so much and more, and doubt nothing thereof. Amen.

- Martin Luther

#### Assurance of Pardon

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Selah*.

- Psalm 32:5

#### PRAISE

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. - Gloria Patri

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Blessed Lord, you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning - grant us that we may in such a way hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that by patience and comfort of your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

- Book of Common Prayer (1552)

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Bible reading plan (see Discipleship Reading Plan)

### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Be light to our darkness, wisdom to our folly, and manifest your strength in our weakness. Remember us according to the favor which you bear to your own people; stir us up to seek your face, and to lay hold on your covenant; and make us find that it is indeed good for us to draw nigh unto you, and to wait upon you in and through the name and merits of Jesus Christ, our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

- Augustus Toplady

## LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by your name; your kingdom come; your 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.

#### WEEKLY CATECHISM

As a church body, we affirm the Westminster Confession of Faith. The confession, written in 1648, serves as the confessional anchor of Presbyterian doctrine and includes a catechism to teach the faith in churches. Each week we work our way through 3-5 questions from the Westminster Shorter Catechism to both learn and remind ourselves of the faith that we profess. Pastor Brandon would love to talk to you when difficult sections come up.

## Q. 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in His being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

#### Q. 28. Wherein consisteth Christ's exaltation?

A. Christ's exaltation consisteth in His rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.

## Q. 29. How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by His Holy Spirit.

# Q. 30. How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

A. The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

## To Ponder Prayerfully

"If God be near a church, it must pray. And if he be not there, one of the first tokens of his absence will be a slothfulness in prayer."

~ Charles H. Spurgeon

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