Service for the Lord's Day

October 18, 2026

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today. If you are new, please sign the green guest pad in the pew and join us for refreshments following the worship service.
*(*Indicates that those who are able may stand. Join your voice with us where indicated by **BOLD** type)*

GATHERING SONG: "Soul On Fire"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *based on Psalm 95:1-7*

L: O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hands are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

P: **O come, Let us bow down; let us kneel before the LORD our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand**.

***WORSHIP SONG SET:**

"The Lion and the Lamb"
"Fairest Lord Jesus"
"God You're So Good"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*begin with silent personal prayer*)

Most gracious God, our Savior and Lord, and the Father of all mercies, we confess before you the evil that proceeds from our corrupted hearts that we have indulged in. We acknowledge that we are too inclined toward anger, jealousy, revenge, ambition, and pride, which gives rise to discord and bitter feelings toward others. And in doing so we have offended and grieved your great heart. Forgive us most holy and compassionate LORD; helping us to promote peace and righteousness in all we think, do, and say; through the power and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*Based on Romans 5:8-9*)

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more, shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God! Friends, believe the Good News! In Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS **"Here I Am Lord, Hymn #589**
(Please place your PRAYER REQUEST CARDS in the Offering plate)

CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH (The Apostles Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise him all creatures here below! Praise him above you heavenly host! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

READING GOD'S WORD: Exodus 33:12-23 & 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

SERMON "Because Of God's Choosing"

PRAYERS AND INTERCESSION

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 temptations but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***REFLECTION SONG:** **"Rescuer"**

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG: **"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder, Hymn # 774**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Men of Faith Breakfast at **Denny's 8 AM**
- 2. Nifty Needlers **Tuesday at 10 AM**
- 3. Don't forget to sign up as a **volunteer for SALT**. Flyers are on the tables in Fellowship Hall.
- 4. Theology That Works! **Bible Study today 11 AM**. If you can't be in the class, join us on **Zoom ID # 860 3590 1132.**
- 5. **October 20** Presbyterian Women's **Welcome Back Potluck Luncheon** at noon in the fellowship hall.
- 6. **October 22 at 11:30** AM, **St. Alban's ECW Luncheon** and Fashion Show. All Ladies are welcome. Please RSVP to Dawn Gatke by the 18th.
- 7. **October 25** is **Reformation Sunday**. Some of us will be wearing our tartans in celebration. If you have one, please join us!
- 8. **ECO National Gathering** in Irving, **Texas February 1-3**. Discounted Early Registration is open through October 31.
- 10. **November 6 Movie Nigh**t featuring the movie "I Heard the Bells." **5:00 pm Nostalgic movie treats provided.**
- 11. **November 26** at 3 PM, Thanksgiving Dinner and Potluck! All are invited! SAVE THE DATE!



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