



"Woman,
you are set free from your ailment."

Luke 13:12, NRSV



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 2025

10:50 a.m.

✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

Welcome

Rev. Bill Pollack

Prelude

Max Jackson

We Come To You For Healing, Lord (Land of Rest)

Richard Proulx

† Call to Worship

Jimmy Hall

L: Are any among us weary? Do we carry heavy burdens?

P: Here is a place of rest. Here we encounter Christ's healing and grace.

L: Are any among us frantic and scattered, breathless in our busyness?

P: Here is a place of deep peace. In our worship, we meet the unhurried God.

L: Are any among us feeling brittle and broken, thirsty for the gospel?

P: Here we encounter Jesus, the living water — tranquil and ever-present.

L: Are any among us feeling hollow and empty, hungry for truth?

P: Here we encounter Christ, the bread of life — nourishment for the journey.

All: In our worship, may we all experience His loving touch.

Amen.

† Hymn of Praise

#796

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

We come to You for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul,
and pray that by Your Spirit's touch we may again be whole.

As once You walked through ancient streets
and reached toward those in pain,
we know You come among us still with power to heal again.

You touch us through physicians' skills,
through nurses' gifts of care,
and through the love of faithful friends who lift our lives in prayer.

Through nights of pain and wakefulness,
through days when strength runs low,
grant us Your gift of patience, Lord, Your calming peace to know.

We come to you, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain,
in trust that through our nights and days
Your grace will heal, sustain.

† **Call to Confession**

† **Prayer of Confession**

God, You know that we have sinned. You know that we have hurt each other, been unkind and thought only of ourselves. You have given us such grace and mercy; help us to extend the same to our brothers and sisters. Free us from holding grudges, from gossip and from passing judgment. Let us never pour shame upon another but instead love and peace. Help us walk with each other toward forgiveness and restoration. Thank You for the beauty You bring to our relationships because we have sought Your healing. We are Yours, gracious God. Amen.

† **Assurance of Pardon**

† **Response** (tune: Amazing Grace) #444 (1,4)

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” You taught us, Lord, to pray,
but You alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls,
and bid resentment cease;

Then, by Your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread Your Peace.

✠ **We Listen to God’s Word** ✠

Children’s Message

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, with Praise

H H Hopson

Fill Thou, my life, O Lord my God, in every part of praise,
That my whole being may proclaim Thy being and Thy ways.
Not for the lip of praise alone, nor yet the praising heart I ask,
But for a life made up of praise in every part. →

So shalt Thou, glorious Lord, from me receive the glory of Thee;
And so shall I begin on earth the song forever new.
So shall each fear, each fret, each care be lifted into song;
And every winding of the way the echo shall prolong;
So shall no part of day or night from sacredness be free;
But all my life, in every step, be spent in praise of Thee.

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 8:18–22 (NRSV)

My joy is gone; grief is upon me; my heart is sick. ¹⁹ Listen! The cry of the daughter of my people from far and wide in the land: “Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?” (“Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?”) ²⁰ “The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.” ²¹ For the brokenness of the daughter of my people I am broken, I mourn, and horror has seized me. ²² Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of the daughter of my people not been restored?

L: The Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God**

Psalms 13 (tune: Rest)

#777

How Long, O Lord

How long, O Lord, will You forget an answer to my prayer?
No tokens of Your love I see; Your face is turned away from me;
I wrestle with despair!

How long, O Lord, will You forsake and leave me in this way?
When will You come to my relief?

My heart is overwhelmed with grief, by evil night and day!

How long, O Lord? But You forgive with mercy from above.
I find that all Your ways are just; I learn to praise You and to trust
in Your unfailing love!

† The Gospel Lesson: Luke 13:10–17 (NRSV)

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.
¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, He called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.”

¹³ When He laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When He said this, all His opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by Him.

L: This is the Holy Gospel of Christ! **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Healing our Brokenness

✦ We Respond to God's Word ✦

† Hymn of Response

#775

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;
all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me;
when my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

† Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again;

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He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Offering Acknowledgement

Special Offering: Clean Start

† Doxology

#606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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 Are Sent in God's Name ✠

† Hymn of Sending (tune: Lancashire)

#378

We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom

We wait the peaceful kingdom, when wolf and lamb shall lie
in gentleness and friendship without a fear or sigh,
when lion shall be grazing, when snake shall never strike;
a little Child shall lead us both strong and weak alike.

Where is the peaceful kingdom? When will this new day start?

We long for peace and comfort to reign within each heart.

Yet not in our lives only, nor simply in our home:

we pray that all creation will one day find Shalom.

When wars of desolation and hate come to an end,
when nation meets with nation and calls the other "friend,"
still peace in all its fullness will only have begun:
Shalom for all creation begins with justice done.

That little Child shall lead us to walk the chosen way,
to share the peaceful kingdom, to greet God's newborn day.

The Child born in a stable is sent to break our chains,
to bring through word and table the day when justice reigns.

Postlude

Voluntary in A Minor

John James

† Charge & Benediction

† *Standing as you are able.*

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *Jan Holbrook* | Liturgist: *Jimmy Hall*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 73

General Offering: \$2,496.00

Clean Start: \$50.00

Memorial Fund (backpack ministry): \$250.00

Memorial Fund (organ repair): \$200.00

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: \$65.00

Organ Repair Fund: \$65.00

Online Offering: \$424.00

Total Offering: \$3,550.00

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

➡ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Sunday Morning Study, 9:28 a.m.

Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School (K–4th grade), 9:30 a.m.

Harmony of the Gospels, 9:30 a.m.

Youth Group (5th – 12th grade), 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

Max's Birthday Celebration, Noon

➡ MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Empty Nesters, 5:30 p.m.

➡ TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Tai Chi, 5 p.m. | Zumba, 5 p.m.

Session Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

➡ WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans

Handbell Rehearsal, 5:45 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

➡ THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Men's Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m.

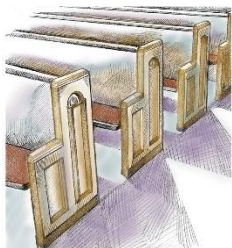
➔ SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Zumba Class, 9:30 a.m. | Tai Chi, 11 a.m.

Poage Landing Days Worship, Sunday, September 28

We will gather for worship HERE in the sanctuary beginning at **9 a.m.** There will be **NO Sunday School** on the 28th.

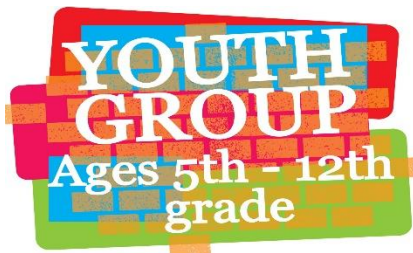
Open Chapel Resumes



OPEN CHAPEL

We are pleased to announce that Open Chapel will resume on **Wednesday, October 1, at 5:45 p.m.** You are warmly invited to join us in the sanctuary for a time of prayer. The chapel will be open during bell and choir rehearsal (5:45–7:45 p.m.) This will continue to be held on the first Wednesday of each month for the remainder of the year, offering a wonderful opportunity to spend quiet time alone with God. Questions, see Heather Shay.

Exciting Things Are Happening With Our Children & Youth



We are delighted to share that our church has expanded its Sunday morning offerings. If you arrive around 9:30 a.m., you may have noticed an increased presence of children and youth. We now offer a Children's Sunday School class for ages K–4th grade and a Youth Group meeting for 5th–12th graders. Both groups begin the morning with breakfast in the Bethesda Community Hall. This is a very exciting time for our church. We encourage you to invite any children or youth you may know, who may be seeking a church home, to join us.

Operation Christmas Child

September: wash cloths, combs, brushes, toothbrushes, fun band-aids, nail files

Presbyterian Women Upcoming Events

Annual Fall Gathering of Transylvania Women/Camp Burnamwood

Saturday, October 11, 2025

What's going on at Buckhorn? meet Mitch Smith,

Chief Financial Officer, guest speaker

*All women are invited! Bring a friend! and make new friends!
(whether you are part of a women's group or not!)*

Coffee & Fellowship @ 9:30, Hymn Sing & Program @ 10,

Delicious Lunch @ noon 😊

Reservations (+ \$15 registration) to Emily Carroll,

409 Cheyenne Trail, Georgetown, KY 40324

Bring Your Mission Project Examples to Share

Support women in programs @ Buckhorn by bringing feminine hygiene products

Support the Presbytery HUNGER FUND by bringing used postage stamps
for PW's Stamp Out Hunger Program

Overview of Bible Study: FINDING RESILIENCE, JOY AND OUR
IDENTITY IN JESUS CHRIST, Rev. Dr. Rhashell Hunter, author
BRING YOUR MISSION PROJECT EXAMPLES TO SHARE!

For more information about the mission of PW and the Fall Gathering,
contact Karen May, Moderator, karen@the2mays.net, 859 227-8200

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*Synod of South Atlantic ~ and ~ Synod of Living Waters
Presbyterian Women's Triennial Gathering*

October 17th -19th, 2025

Epworth by the Sea, St. Simons Island, Georgia



*The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he
helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.*

Psalm 28:7

Our PW Synod Gathering, held once every three years, is an opportunity
for women to nurture faith, exchange ideas, discover mission
opportunities, strengthen relationships, and relax. Participants will enjoy
workshops, tours, plenary sessions with inspiring speakers, worship,
music, Bible study, and more.

***Please see Bettie George Frye for additional information on
Presbyterian Women events.***

PRAYER CONCERNS

Week ending September 18, 2025

Cullen Creel (online request)
Family of Shirley O'Neal (Nanette)
Family of Carolyn Runyon (Kelly Hanni)
Crystal Vines (online request)

Week ending September 11, 2025

Loretta Burton (Nanette)
Christina Columber (Greg & Geri Willis)
Darryl Eatmon (online request)
Family of Charlie Kirk
Family of David Riggs (Mark Riggs' father)
Mary Vanderhoof (John Ferguson's mother)

Week ending September 4, 2025

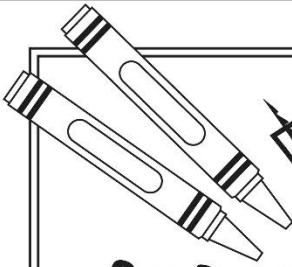
Grace Atwell (Trish Hall's sister)
Family of Alden (Snook) Bryan (Chris & Barb Payne's friend)
Susan Martell (Pastor Bill's sister)
Jan Michel (Pastor Bill & Nanette)
Skip Saunders (Greg & Geri Willis)

Ongoing: Pastor Bill; Gretchen Dillon; Bill Gesling; Charlie Holbrook; Keith McClelland; Kenny McGill; Bob Miller; Derek Payne; Nancy Payne; Bonnie Pettijohn; Tim Shephard; Jan Winans; Ann Wiseman

Kingsbrook Care Center: Barry Barbour

The Lantern: Carolyn Graber

Military: Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, son of Kris Adkins); Cadet Katie Brown (West Point, granddaughter of Mike Whitman); Greg Weston (Army National Guard); Major Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lilly)



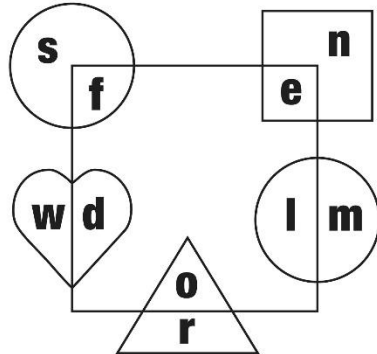
PUZZLE

GOD CARES FOR YOU!

Jesus tells his followers not to worry about their daily needs.
What example does he give of God's care for his creation?

Directions:

To complete Luke 12:27 (NIV), match the shapes under each blank with the letter shapes shown to the right.



"Consider how the wild _____
grow. They do not labor or spin.
Yet I tell you, not even _____
in all his splendor was _____
like one of these." Luke 12:27, NIV

Answer: "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these." Luke 12:27, NIV

STAFF

Minister: *Rev. William Pollack*
Choirmaster/Organist: *Max Jackson*
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*
Facilities Manager: *Glen Thomas*
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Mitch Hall*
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2026	2027	2028
<i>Mitch Hall*</i>	<i>Jimmy Hall</i>	<i>Teresa Cassity</i>
<i>Jan Holbrook</i>	<i>Lee McCloud *</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni *</i>
<i>Ryan Whitman*</i>	<i>J.T. Norris *</i>	<i>Donna Jones</i>
<i>*2nd term of service</i>		

MINISTRY TEAMS

Building & Grounds: <i>Glen Thomas</i>	Membership: <i>Teresa Cassity</i>
Christian Education: <i>Lee McCloud</i>	Mission: <i>Donna Jones</i>
Congregational Life: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>	Personnel: <i>Janet Holbrook</i>
Finance: <i>Trish Hall</i>	Worship: <i>Ryan Whitman</i>

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