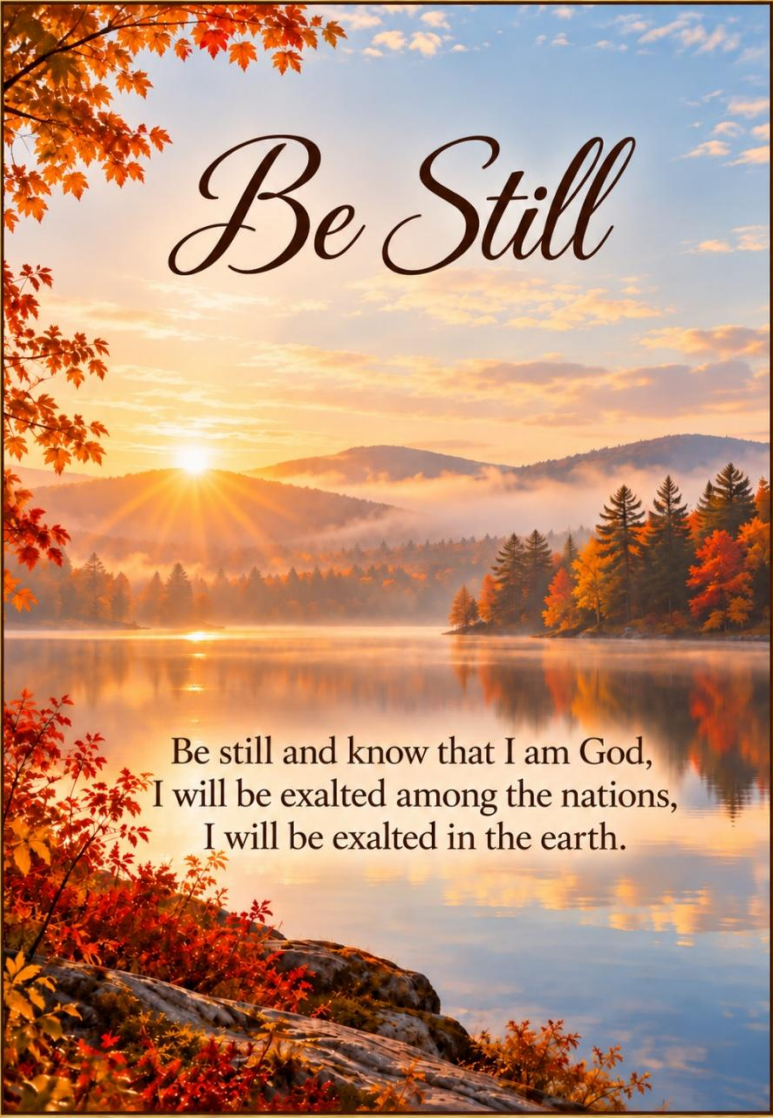




Be Still

Be still and know that I am God,
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2026

10:50 a.m.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Kelly Hanni

Prelude

Max Jackson

Allabreve in F Major

Johann Schneider

† **Call to Worship** (From Psalm 1)

Kelly Hanni

L: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners, but his delight is in the law of the
Lord.

**P: He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its
fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither.**

L: In all he does he prospers, the wicked are not so, but are like
chaff that the wind drives away.

**P: But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he
meditates day and night, for the Lord knows the way of the
righteous.**

† **Hymn of Praise**

#688

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
and make me love Thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no opening skies;
but take the dimness of my soul away.

Hast thou not bid us love Thee, God and King;
all, all Thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
I see Thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh.
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh.
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the baptism of the heaven-descended Dove,
my heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession

Lord God Almighty, we confess that too often we only want to appear to be righteous without actually following through. We want our family, friends and neighbors to think highly of us while secretly we struggle with sin. Pride and shame keep us from growing closer to You and we fear being found out, should what we have done in the darkness be brought to light. Forgive us our trespasses while reminding us that there is no wrong, we've done that is too big for the cross. It is there where You paid our debt in full. Send us Your Holy Spirit to grant us peace so that we may rest in the hope we have as Your beloved and redeemed children. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

† Assurance of Pardon

† Response

#446 (1)

How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions

How blest, those whose transgressions have freely been forgiven;
whose guilt is wholly covered before the sight of heaven.

Blest, those to whom our Lord God will not impute their sin:
whose guilt has been forgiven; whose hearts, made true again.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Anthem

Chancel Choir

At the Name of Jesus

Arr. James Kirkby

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
Him King of glory now. It is His pleasure, →

we should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning was the mighty Word. Humbled for a season, to receive a Name From the lips of sinners, unto whom He came, gladly He bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious, when from death He passed. Bore it up triumphant, with its human light, through the ranks of creatures to the central height, Before the throne and to the Father's breast, filled it with the glory of His perfect rest. In your hearts enthrone Him, there let Him subdue, all that is not holy, all that is not true, crown as your Captain in temptation's hour, let His will enfold you in its light and power.

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 46:1–10 (NRSV)

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. ⁶The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts. ⁷The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. ⁸Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. ⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. ¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth.”

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

Psalm 99

The Lord Is King, Enthroned in Might

The Lord is king enthroned in might on wings of cherubim;
he reigns in holiness and light, bow down to worship him!

Beyond all majesty and praise his holy name confess;
the king of everlasting days, who rules in righteousness.

Of old to priests and prophets known with trembling, fear and awe,
he gave his people, set in stone, his statutes and his law.
By those who called upon his name the voice of God was heard,
his presence shown in cloud and flame when they obeyed his word.

O magnify the God of grace who hears his people's cry,
and come with songs before his face, exalt his name on high!
To see at last, by grace restored from sin and all its stains,
the holy mountain of the Lord where God in glory reigns.

† **The New Testament Lesson:** Acts 5:27–42 (NRSV)

²⁷ When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.” ³³ When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. ³⁴ But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law, respected by all the people, stood up and ordered the men to be put outside for a short time. ³⁵ Then he said to them, “Fellow Israelites, consider carefully what you propose to do to these men. ³⁶ For some time ago Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him, but he was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and disappeared. ³⁷ After him Judas the Galilean rose up at the time of the census and got people to follow him; he also perished, and all who followed him were scattered. ³⁸ So in the present case, I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, because if this plan or this undertaking is of human origin, it will fail; ³⁹ but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them—in that case you may even be found fighting against God!” They were convinced by him,

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⁴⁰and when they had called in the apostles, they had them flogged. Then they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus and let them go. ⁴¹As they left the council, they rejoiced that they were considered worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name. ⁴²And every day in the temple and at home they did not cease to teach and proclaim Jesus as the Messiah.

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

Sermon

Patrick Hall

Be Still

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

† **Hymn of Response**

#711

Lord of All Good

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to You;
use them Your holy purpose to fulfill,
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
that our whole life is offered to Your will.

We give our minds to understand Your ways;
hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great design;
heart with the flame of Your own love ablaze,
till for Your glory all our powers combine.

Father, whose bounty all creation shows;
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;
Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows:
to You with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

† **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; 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 (sins)

Offering Acknowledgement *Special Offering: Peacemaking Program*

† 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

#462

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

Refrain: *I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!

I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. [R]

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. [R]

Postlude

I Love To Tell The Story

Robert Powell

† Charge & Benediction

† *Standing as you are able.*

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *JT Norris* | Liturgist: *Kelly Hanni*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 60
General Offering: \$1,838.00
Earth Care/Youth: \$35.00
5 Cents a Meal Hunger Program: \$31.36
Organ Repair Fund: \$120.00
Tri State for Ukraine: \$3.00
Online Offering: \$623.00
Total Offering: \$2,650.36

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

→ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Sunday Morning Study, 9:28 a.m.
Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.
Harmony of the Gospels, 9:30 a.m.
Contemplative Prayer, 9:30 a.m.
Children and Youth: 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.
The Chosen Bible Study, 5:30 p.m.

→ TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Tai Chi, 5 p.m.

→ WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans
Bell Rehearsal, 5:45 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

→ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

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



Please write a note of
thanks and encouragement
for Ashland's National Guard
Battalion #206

Note cards are available on the table in the Narthex.

The graphic features a pair of grey socks with blue and red stripes at the top and heels, and a small notepad with a blue pen resting on it.

Meet Patrick Hall

Patrick is a husband, father, and child of God. He is the son (Rev. Dr. Tom Hall) and brother of Presbyterian ministers. He and his middle-school science teacher wife Rebekah are both lifelong Presbyterians and met while he attended The Citadel in Charleston, SC. They have three daughters, Abby, Emma, and Leslie. They moved to their current home in Ashland, KY in 2010 where Patrick worked as a Journeyman Technician/Salesman for his family's refrigeration business. He served as an Elder and Chair of the Worship Committee at First Presbyterian Church of Ashland where he taught Sunday school, aided in building maintenance, and led worship for nearly 6 months in the absence of an interim minister. The Halls have been members of Christ Presbyterian Church since its founding in 2016, and Patrick has served as the Director of Student and Family Ministries since August 2017. In addition to Patrick's ministry at Christ Presbyterian, he is the HVAC vocational teacher at Ashland Blazer High School.



Ashland Blazer Youth Services Center

Thanksgiving Baskets

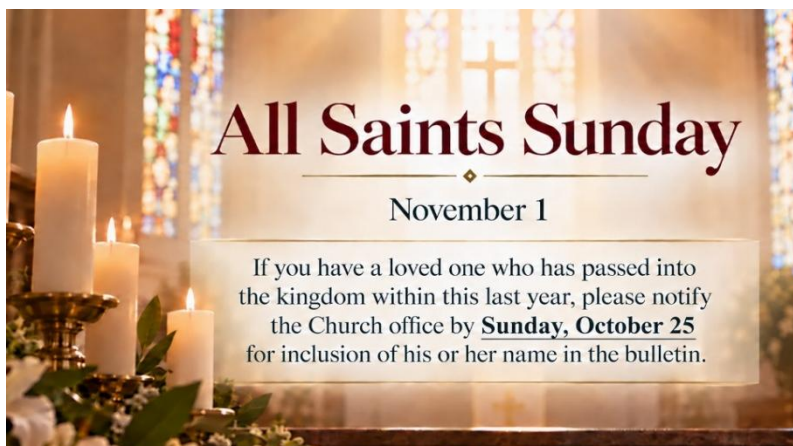
Collection: Oct. 11 – Nov. 8

- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Gravy
- Stuffing
- Biscuit or Roll Mix
- Cranberry Sauce
- Canned Green Beans
- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Crispy Onion Straws
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Brown Sugar
- Marshmallows
- Pecans
- Canned Corn
- Pumpkin Pie Filling
- Canned Milk
- Coffee
- Tea
- Hot Cocoa Mix
- Clothes Baskets



Pulpit Supply:

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
	Nov. 1: <i>Rev. Philip Lotspeich</i>
	Nov. 8: <i>Rev. Jennifer Johnson</i>
October 25: <i>Rev. Jerry Utt</i>	Nov. 15: <i>Andrew Wheeler</i>
	Nov. 22: <i>Rev. Tom Hall</i>



PRAYER CONCERNS

Week ending October 15

Kena Broomall/Surgery Nov. 3 (Kelly & Mark Hanni's daughter)
FPC Pastor Search

Week ending October 8

Brittany Bentine (Ann Wiseman's granddaughter)
Jacob Mollette (Glen & Christy Thomas' son)
Rachael Turner (Kathleen Filkins' daughter)

Week ending October 1

Mike Hall (Geri Willis' brother)
Don Lilly
Frances Potter (Roger Potter's sister)

Ongoing:

<i>Christina Akers</i> (Heather Whitman's sister-in-law)	<i>Nancy Payne</i>
<i>Bill Gesling</i>	<i>Bonnie Pettijohn</i>
<i>Charlie Holbrook</i>	<i>Tim Shepard</i>
<i>Angie Lewis</i>	<i>Jan Winans</i>
<i>Chris Payne</i>	<i>Ann Wiseman</i>
<i>Derek Payne</i>	

Boyd Nursing and Rehabilitation: Kenny McGill, Sr.

Kingsbrook Care Center: Barry Barbour

The Lantern: Betty Jean Phipps

Military: Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, son of Kris Adkins); Ashland's National Guard Battalion 206 deployed in May 2026 to the Middle East, Lieutenant Katie Brown (US Army, granddaughter of Mike Whitman); Christian Brown (US Air Force, grandson of Mike Whitman); Greg Weston (Army National Guard); Lieutenant Colonel Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lilly),

STAFF

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

SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Jan Holbrook*
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2027	2028	2029
<i>Jimmy Hall</i>	<i>Teresa Cassity</i>	<i>Jan Holbrook *</i>
<i>Lee McCloud *</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni *</i>	<i>Mike Lilly</i>
<i>J.T. Norris *</i>	<i>Donna Jones</i>	<i>Ellen Sharp</i>
*2nd term of service		

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>Jan Holbrook</i>
Finance: <i>Mitch Hall</i>	Worship: <i>Mike Lilly</i>

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