St. Mark Presbyterian Church

Worship Service 9:45 a.m.

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Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 11, 2026

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Paul M. Burns
Director of Music/Organist	Mr. Gary O'Neal
Church Office Administrator	Cathy Schingle

We exist to know Jesus and make Him known.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 11, 2026

(At this time, please silence your cell phone.)

Prelude "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" (arr. Gregg Sewell) — Gary O'Neal, Organist

* **Welcome and Greeting One Another** — Pastor

* **Congregational Introit** (remain standing)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

* **Call to Worship** — Liturgist and Congregation

(Responsive)

Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:

God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?

When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:

God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.

God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.

Come, let us worship God with joy, for God is our light and salvation!

We come to worship as bearers of the Light. Thanks be to God! Amen.

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* **Invitation to Stand**

* **Hymn** "O Worship the King" No. 41

* **Prayer of the Day** Liturgist and Congregation

Let us pray together:

Oh God, Our teacher, example, companion. You have shown us what is good, and call us to remember that what you require is not repayment of debt or settling the score, but obedience. Show us, God, when to do justice, how to love kindness, and where to walk, humbly, with you. Amen

* **Gloria Patri** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" No. 582

The Sword of the Spirit

Call to Confession Pastor

Prayer of Confession (Unison) Pastor and Congregation

Let us read together.

Gracious God, you call us to a life of gentleness and peace. We confess that instead life often brings worries that overwhelm our trust. We hold on to hurt, allow frustration to divide us, and struggle when patience and understanding are needed. Forgive us, O God. Help us seek you in prayer and work for reconciliation where relationships are strained. Fill our hearts and minds with those things that lead to compassion, gratitude, and grace. May your love be made visible through our words and actions. Amen.

(In silence, confess your personal sins to God.)

Kyrie Eleison "Change My Heart, O God" No. 695

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

Cámbiame, Señor, con tu gran poder. Hazme como tú; tuyo quiero ser.

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

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* **Invitation to Stand**

Assurance of Forgiveness Pastor

Friends, believe this good news, in Christ we are new creations. We are forgiven; we are set free; and we are made ready to live the living Word.

Lessons from Scripture

Prayer for Illumination Liturgist and Congregation

Let us pray with one voice:

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept you Word. Silence in us any voices but your own, so that we may hear your Word and also do it; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3 (p. 615 Pew Bible) Liturgist
This is the Word of the Lord!
Response: **Thanks be to God!**

Second Reading: John 4:7-25 (p. 888 Pew Bible) Pastor
Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.
Response: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Sermon "Living Water For A Thirsty Soul" Guest Preacher, Colin Boring

Anthem "How Great Thou Art" Sanctuary Choir
(arr. Hine/Hughes)

* **Affirmation of Faith** (Unison) Pastor and Congregation
– 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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* **Invitation to Stand**

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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; 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.

* **Presentation of Tithes, Offerings, and Faith Promises** Doxology No. 606
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

A public offering to God is one of the oldest forms of worship. Although we give in varied ways through the week, our participation in the Sunday Offering is a witness to God and to the world of our love and commitment.

If you have not already done so, please place your offering in the offering plates located at the front and back of the Sanctuary as you exit the building.

* **Hymn** "We Are One in the Spirit No. 300

* **Charge and Benediction** Pastor

* **Sending Song** "We Are One in Christ Jesus" No. 322
"Somos uno en Cristo"
(sing 2 times)

We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body, all one spirit, all together.
Somos uno en Cristo, somos uno, somos uno, uno solo.

* **Postlude** Gary O'Neal, Organist

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* **Invitation to Stand**

Assisting in worship today is Becky Page, Liturgist.
The Usher is Dorothy Moore

Refreshments in the Parlor today are served
by the Worship Committee.

*** Invitation to Stand**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11TH

Sunday	11:00 am	Disciple Followship Group
	11:00 am	Yoga Wellness
	11:00 am	Membership and Mission Com. Mtg
Tuesday	11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Church Food Pantry
	4:00pm	Christian Education Com. Mtg..
Wednesday	5:00 pm	Yoga Wellness
	6:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal
	6:00 pm	Way Out Wednesday
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	Bible Study Will Resume on October 15 at 10:30	
	11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Church Food Pantry
	3:00 pm	Open Gate
Saturday	8:30 am	Property Com. Mtg and Work Day

SESSION MEMBERS
Cathy Schingle – Clerk

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
Kathleen Hale	Bill Grayson	Bob King
Dorothy Moore	Shelly Manriquez	Bill Oney
Ann O'Neal	Harry Roberts	Charlene Taylor

***No Devotional this week.**