Heritage Church

A Celebration of the Lord's Day
This 11th of October
in the year of our Lord 2026

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel . . . Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire.

(Hebrews 12:22-24, 28-29)

Maintaining a Proper Worship Atmosphere

In order to maintain a proper atmosphere of worship for our morning service, we kindly ask everyone to find your seats when the music begins at 10:25 a.m. and prepare your hearts for worship. We kindly ask that you silence your cell phones, dispose of all food and drinks, and refrain from all activity that is not conducive to our corporate worship of God (e.g. texting, etc.). God's people come to worship God in the beauty of holiness, and true spiritual worship is our greatest joy.

Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! (1 Chronicles 16:29)

Communion Observance

Each Lord's Day, we observe communion as a regular part of our corporate worship together. We invite all baptized saints to join us at the Lord's Table in this morning's service, provided you can agree with the statement of faith listed below, you are a member in good standing with a Bible believing evangelical church, and you are not under church discipline prohibiting you from communion. The baptized children of such saints are also welcome, so long as it does not conflict with the position of the elders under whom they serve.

Confession for Receiving the Lord's Supper

- I believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inerrant Word of God, and its doctrine of salvation to be the perfect and only true doctrine of salvation.
- I confess that because of my sinfulness, I cannot save myself, so therefore, I humble myself, and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ alone for my salvation.
- I acknowledge Jesus Christ as my sovereign Lord, and I do promise, in reliance on the grace of God, to serve Him with all that is in me, to forsake the world, to mortify the deeds of the flesh, and to lead a godly life.
- I agree to submit in the Lord to the government of His Church, and in case I am found delinquent in doctrine or practice, to heed its discipline.

For those who will be regularly attending our worship services, but who are not yet members, you are welcome to join us at the Table for a period of six months provided you agree and consent to the above provisions. After six months, you will be asked to move toward church membership or cease partaking of the Table. If you should have any questions regarding these matters, please feel free to contact one of the elders. Thank you for your cooperation.

Covenant Renewal Worship

* Indicates the congregation will stand.

Please sing the final verse of every song in unison.

Preparation For Worship

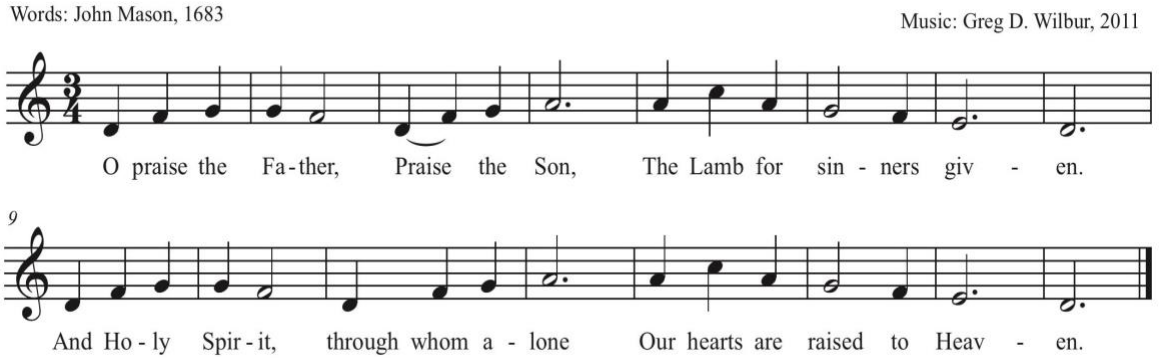
CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE ***Unless The Lord Had Been There***

MEDITATION ***Pastorale***

2 Peter 1:16-19a For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain. And so we have the prophetic word confirmed…

INTROIT ***O Praise the Father***



God Calls His People to Worship

It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into His courts.

CALL TO WORSHIP **Psalm 118:19-29**

Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and I will praise the LORD:

This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.

I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.

The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

Thou art my God, and I will praise thee: thou art my God, I will exalt thee. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

PRAYER

* *Psalm 148*

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Music: ST. CATHERINE
Henry F. Hemi, 1864, arr. James G. Walton, 1870



God Speaks to His People Through His Word

The Bible is the means by which God graciously reveals Himself to His people—so we listen, read, and study with expectant hearts.

***READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT: Deuteronomy 18:15-22**

Minister: The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; According to all that thou desiredst of the Lord thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. And the Lord said unto me, They have well spoken that which they have spoken. I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die. And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 17:1-8**

Minister: And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him. Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid. And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.

This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119

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Music: CHARLESTOWN
Amos Pilsbury, *U.S. Sacred Harmony*, 1799



God Calls His People to Confession and Repentance

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.
We invite those who are able to kneel for the prayer of confession.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: The scripture says, "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Therefore, let us draw near to Him now confessing our sins seeking Hi forgiveness.

All: Merciful God, Who alone can forgive sin, and Who alone will judge all sinners, we come to You in humility and fear confessing You owe us nothing. You have given us much favor of which we do not deserve, and yet we still sin and fall short of Your glory day after day. We ask that You forgive us for not loving You as we ought, and forgive us for not loving our neighbor as ourselves. We have been proud, angry without cause, we harbor resentment and bitterness, and speak evil about our neighbor behind his back. We have not lived as Godly husbands exhibiting the love of Christ, or reverent submissive wives in testifying the gratitude and new creation of the Church. Please forgive us of these and all our sins. Cleanse us in the blood of Christ and restore unto us the joy of Your salvation. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Remain kneeling in silent prayer until the minister raises you up for the assurance of pardon.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Psalm 103:8-13

Minister: Now hear the Word of the Lord,

"The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him."

As we look unto Christ, know that He forgives our sins and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

Congregation may be seated.

PASTORAL PRAYER

As the Church is the fulfillment of the Temple, God calls us His "house of prayer." God invites us before His throne to hear our petitions for our needs, the needs of others, the world and His Kingdom.

* Psalm 23

Words: Isaac Watts, 1719, Based on Psalm 23

Music: RESIGNATION, American Folk Melody



We Offer Ourselves to God in our Tithes and Offerings

Minister: Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts. (Psalm 96:8)

People: With thankfulness, we give in gratitude and joy.

OFFERTORY Speak, O Lord

**Doxology*

God Ministers to Us in His Word Proclaimed

God gives us grace and strengthens our faith through the ministry of the Word and sacrament. Grace is conveyed to the recipients through the work of the Holy Spirit to those who believe their truths.

***READING OF THE SERMON TEXT Isaiah 42:1-9**

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

MESSAGE *The Spirit-Filled Servant*

God Communes with His People at the Feast

As God beckons His people to the bounty of His table, they make joyous professions of their fealty to Him.

THE INVITATION AND FENCING OF THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Minister: All glory to You, our heavenly Father, for when the fullness of time was come, You sent forth Your only Son, Jesus Christ, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem us through the sacrifice of His body, and the shedding of His blood, on the cross. Lord, we confess we are unworthy guests at Your Table, and yet You have clothed us in the robe of Christ's righteousness, and washed us in His blood and made us, in Him, fit to come.

Take now, from Your creation, this bread and wine, and send Your Holy Spirit to communicate to us the presence of Your Son; Who on the night He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me." After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, saying, "This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me." Amen.

And now, Holy Father, along with the saints through the ages, hear our profession.

All: (The Apostles Creed) **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come 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 life everlasting. Amen!

*** The term "catholic" means "universal"**

THE SURSUM CORDA (Lamentations 3:41)

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is good and right to do so.

All: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the Angels, the Archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

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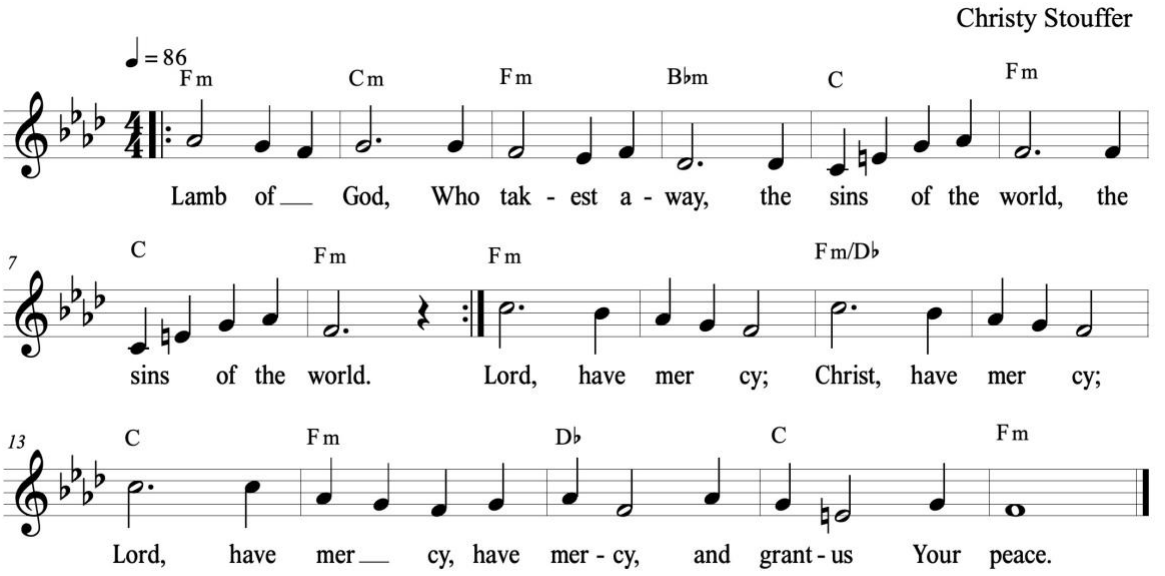


CONSECRATION OF THE BREAD

Minister: The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

People: For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread. (1 Corinthians 10:16-17)

Agnus Dei



Break Thou the Bread of Life

Words: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841-1913

Music: BREAD OF LIFE William F. Sherwin, 1826-1888



CONSECRATION OF THE CUP

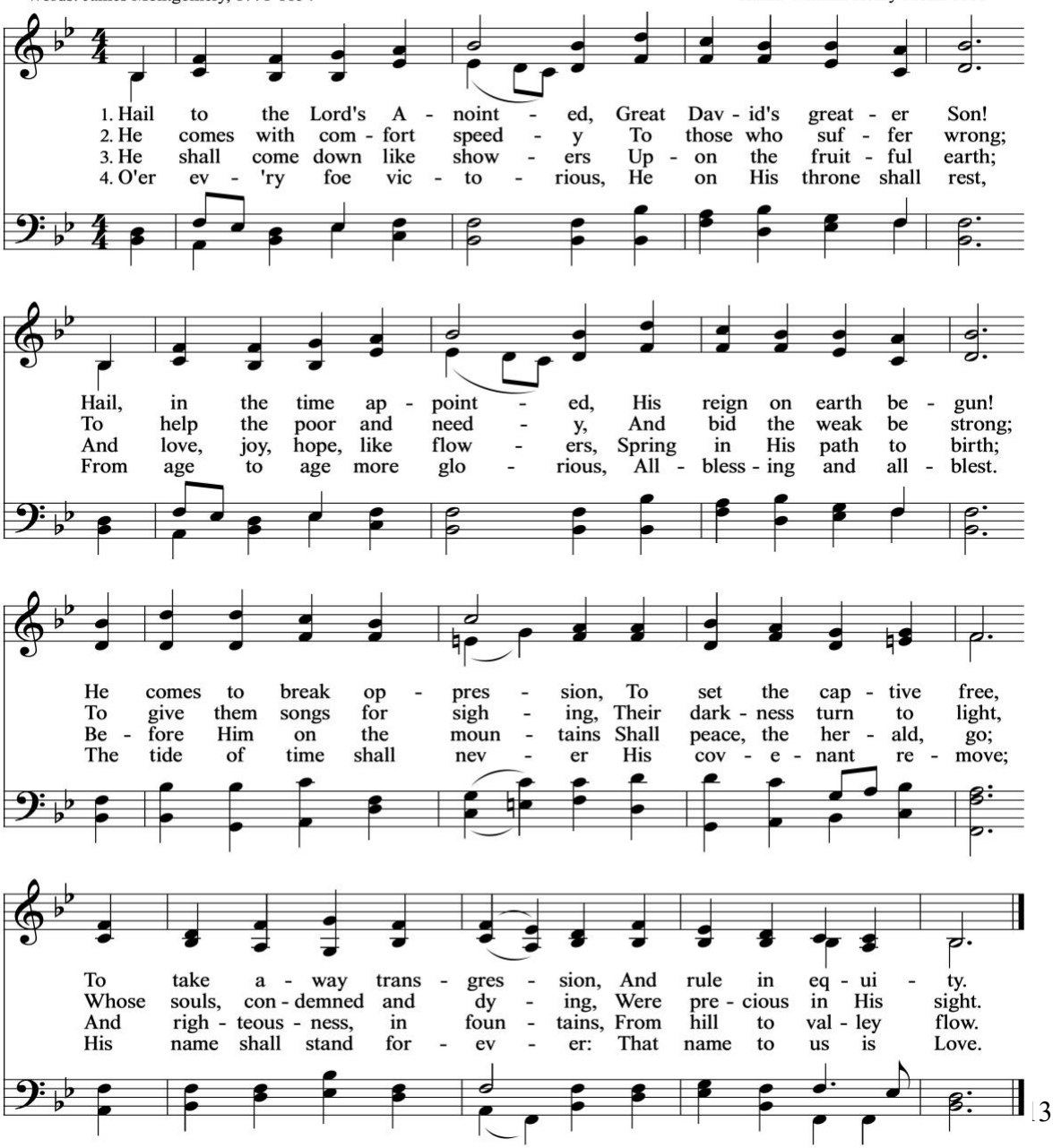
Minister: The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? (1 Corinthians 10:16)

People: For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore, let us keep the feast. (1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
Melchior Teschner, 1614
Harm. William Henry Monk 1861

Words: James Montgomery, 1771-1854



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

All: Our gracious Father, we thank You for feeding us with the spiritual food of Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. We are ever grateful for uniting us into one with our Bridegroom and growing our love for Him at this Table as we consider His sacrifice for us. Grant us grace to grow deeper in our relationship with You. Grant too, grace to do the work You have given us to do. Send us forth with the power of the Holy Spirit and establish the work of our hands. In the name of Jesus, we pray, Amen.

God Sends His People Out With His Blessing

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God blesses His people and sends them into the world to show His light in the darkness.

***BENEDICTION 2 Corinthians 13:14**

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.



Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen and reigning Lord Jesus Christ.
People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Open to Me the Gates of Righteousness*

2026 Financial Statement

Report Date: 10/01/2026

Lord's Days (YTD): 39
Budget (YTD): $312,000

Account Balances

General Fund	$17,439
Diaconal Fund	$12,057
Young Men's Venture	$4,067
Organ Installation	$31,989
Building Fund	$33,520

Benevolence Donation (YTD): $2,404
Missions Donation (YTD): $2,691
Budget Over (Under): $41,880

Giving Totals (YTD)

Missions Offering	$0
Benevolence Offering	$1,951
Building Fund Offering	$78,344
Thank Offering	$1,092
Total Offering	***$81,387***
Tithe	***$353,880***

This Week at Heritage

Today
2:00pm – Teaching Time

Monday
5:30pm – Singing on the Square
6:00pm – HRT Training

Tuesday
8:00am – Co-Op Classes
9:15am – Cantus Choir

Wednesday
4:45pm – Bell Rehearsal
5:15pm – Choir Dinner
6:30pm – L&C Rehearsal

Thursday
7:00pm – Musicians' Rehearsal

Next Lord's Day
2:00pm – Teaching Time

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Lord's Day Stated Services
9:30am – Matins Prayer Service
10:30am – Covenant Renewal Worship Service
2:00pm – Psalm Sing or Teaching Time

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