



PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
OF THE ROSES

Reaching out with Nurturing Love to all People.



Jesus Walks on Water Source: [Wikimedia](#)

Artist: Ilyas Basim Khuri Bazzi Rahib – adapted from a folio dated 1684

Eleventh Sunday in Pentecost
August 9th, 2026 Worship 10 am

First Time Here? Thank you for coming! Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for fellowship & coffee in Bowen Hall after service.

Assistance needed?

Large print bulletins, hearing assist devices are available from our tech team at back of the church.

*Asterisk means please stand if able.

The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation.

Children with you?

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way and the kids table in the back of our Sanctuary.

(Sunday school will resume in Aug.)

Quiet Room open at back of church.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring" (from Cantata # 147)

by J.S. Bach arr. By E.P. Biggs

WELCOME –(If you are a guest, have a prayer request, or want to update your contact info, please fill out the connect card and place it in the offering plate.)

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, some of us come today with songs of joy, rejoicing at all God has done for us.

We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

Some of us come today with songs of mourning in our hearts, feeling the weight of loss, isolation, and loneliness.

We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

Some of us come today with songs of worry and distress, overwhelmed by the troubles and the sufferings of the world.

We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

In our joy, our sorrow, our isolation, and our worry, God is faithful!

We come to sing God's praises, for in all things, God's steadfast love and faithfulness never fail. Thanks be to God!

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May 2026.

*HYMN #610(vs 1,3,5) "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Carl Gotthelf Gläser

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

3. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

5. To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

God is with you, Christ is present,
the Holy Spirit surrounds you and unites us all.

**But we have turned our eyes to the challenges of this life,
lost our focus on God, and are sinking in sin.**

You can begin again.

Imagine a new way of being.

We have cast aside our dreams to maintain the familiar.

We have cast aside the dreams of others, fearful of what they might mean.

*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

God loves you, Christ will lift you from the waves of doubt, and the Holy Spirit will rescue you from currents of insecurity and alienation. Take heart, do not be afraid. Everyone who calls upon God's name will be saved. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Adapted from the writings of the Rev. Dr. Bob Gross and posted on the Worship Ways website of the United Church of Christ at <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/pentecost> 10 august 9/.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen Amen

CALL FOR OFFERING

Diane Osten

OFFERTORY I'd Rather Have Jesus

George B Shea

(click to donate)



*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God, above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, we thank you for your call and claim upon our lives. Because there is so much more we can become, and so much more we can do, we pray that our faith will increase; that our practice of generosity will be enlarged; and that our joy in believing will encourage others as we share with them the good news of Jesus Christ; in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2, ed. Kimberly Bracken Long, p. 116.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION-

HYMN #288

"Spirit of the Living God"

D. Iverson

Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on Me

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Kings 19:9-18

Diane Osten

This is the word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

"The Arsenal at Springfield"

by Rob & Steve Yeager & Nate Scoble

GATHERING OF THE CHILDREN-

CENTS & CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING- Matthew 14:13-21 (NRSVUE)

SERMON "Listen for God's Silence" Rev. Dr. Kevin Buchanan

*HYMN #834 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" George N. Allen

1. Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the
night, lead me on to the light:
*Take my hand, precious Lord,
Lead me home.*

2. When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall:
*Take my hand, precious Lord,
Lead me home.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of power and love, you are with us in every circumstance of this life. We thank you for your steadfast faithfulness. We thank you for the gift of your peace, which comes to us even in times of chaos and fear, trouble and doubt. We thank you for your powerful arms of mercy that grasp us when we are sinking; for your powerful Word that coaxes us even when we are hiding and afraid. We put our trust in you, for you alone can save us.

We ask for your power and love to overwhelm the chaos of the nations. In every place of war, send your encompassing shalom to restore and repair all that is torn and broken. We pray that violent and hostile struggles will be overcome by your peace. Give us faith and courage to follow Christ so closely that divisions are dismantled, reconciliation is accomplished, and love casts out all fear.

Increase mutual understanding and a sense of unity in our community, in this congregation, in the church around the world. In our personal relationships, bring healing where there is estrangement and hurt. In our relationship to your creation, give us creativity and perseverance as we work to be faithful, tender stewards of all that you have so wondrously made.

We entrust to your providence and care all those who suffer; all who are hiding from you, from others, or even from themselves because of fear or feelings of unworthiness. To one struggling with doubt, increase faith. To one enduring persecution or prejudice, bring freedom. For those caught in the grip of anxiety and uncertainty, grant the calm rest that your peace alone gives. And for all who face illness, pain, or even death, we pray for restoration and wholeness to fill them—in heart, mind, and body.

You alone can save us, almighty God; hear our cries to you, we pray. Gather us up and set us in safety, and we will praise your name. We ask all things in the name of Jesus Christ through whom we were taught:
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.

*HYMN #69 “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” (Here I Am Lord) Daniel L. Schutte

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

CHORUS
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my words to them.
Whom shall I send? CHORUS

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will send the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, '
Til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? CHORUS

BENEDICTION-

POSTUDE- "Great is Thy Faithfulness" W.M. Runyan

PREACHER: *The Rev. Dr. Kevin Buchanan* LITURGIST: *Diane Osten*
MUSIC: *Carol Menke, Nate Scoble & Steve Yeager along with Althea Wright*
accompanist.

AUDIO VISUAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM : *Anthony Cornejo, Phil Goede,*
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Today is Cents for Cents-Ability Sunday—please bring your offering up to the chancel after Gathering of the Children.

Cents-Ability is one way that families, congregations, and presbyteries can support the battle against hunger and poverty. Every member is invited to contribute a few cents at every meal. Funds are then used to support local hunger ministries, as well as national and international projects through the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

The MHS Breakfast program officially begins
on Mon. Aug. 17th.

We are looking for some more volunteers-please talk to Chris Rhodes. Due to rising food costs we are looking for some food donors- What does this look like? Maybe you'd like to donate:

A couple bags of Fruit/Cuties (sm.oranges) once a week/month OR ??

Turkey sausage (frozen/fresh for the burritos once a week/month OR????



***We are looking for a donation of a new or gently used flat screen Smart TV no smaller than 52' and must have a hookup for hdmi cable for computers. This will go in our Classroom next to the Sunday School room where we have many meetings each week and we are in great need of a TV for viewing and Zooms.**



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PRAYER REQUESTS-

Please include in your prayers-

Dennis Baker
The family of David
Barber
Greg Basham
Jim Bauer
Barbara Blinn
David Barber
Diana Burdick
Marjorie Cortez
Steve Cummings
Yvonne Draper

Robert Flandermeyer
Michele Hare
Jennifer Hochstettler
Linda Lance
Dorothy LeCel
Amber's companion,
Lucky Star
Chris Ledwick
Vivian Mazeski
Gene Michel
Nita Phinney

Lesley Pillsbury
Lavern Pinder
Catherine Priestley
Jonathan Steele
Susan & Sarah
Valerie Soldate
Bill St. John
Lynne Vandercook
Walker Cash
Dr. Bob Yee

Those serving in our military

Coast Guard Commander Ian Alloway Culver in Washington D.C – Headquarters,
Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve



**“Flowers today dedicated to
Jill & Ben Bryant’s
15th Wedding Anniversary”**



FELLOWSHIP FOOD—PLEASE HELP

Each Sunday we look forward to fellowship time—often we sit at the same table with the same friends-- Maybe our table could get together and each bring something for fellowship time, and come a bit early to help set up and if possible help clean up the tables etc. after we are feed.

This is a great way to “Give Back” for all the food that has nourished us over the months. We have several upcoming dates that need to be filled.

Please talk to Catherine or Bob Priestley this Sunday. Thank You!