



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

of the North Georgia Mountains

Rev. Susan L. Haynes, Pastor

August 2, 2026

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship begins with the prelude.

Please listen in silence as we prepare our hearts for the worship of God.

*Please stand in body or spirit.

PRELUDE

“Surely the Lord is in This Place”

COLVIN

WELCOME and CHURCH NEWS

Rev. Susan Haynes

CHORAL INTROIT

“God Welcomes All”

John Bell

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Eric Morris

Leader: Sometimes we feel like Jacob, wrestling with angels.

People: So strengthen us, God.

Leader: Sometimes we feel battered and broken.

People: So touch us, God.

Leader: Sometimes we grow so weary of the struggle.

People: So refresh us, God.

All: Together, let us seek the face of the Divine as we come together to worship.

***HYMN #664**

“Morning Has Broken”

BUNESSAN

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (first silently, then in unison)

Holy God, you have revealed yourself to us in Jesus Christ.

Every thing we need to know about you has been shown.

Your goodness, mercy, healing, and renewal are on full display.

But sometimes we do not see what is right before us.

Sometimes we miss the miracle.

We misunderstand you, and so we misunderstand the world.

Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us the ability to see you as you reveal yourself.

**Renew within us the capacity to perceive your way in the world,
for this life, and in the life that is to come.**

We pray it in Jesus’ name, and for his sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive) 2 Corinthians 5:17-19

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see: everything has become new.

**People: All this is from God, who reconciled us to God’s self through Christ,
and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.**

Leader: Believe the promise of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn#445 (verse 3)

"God, How Can We Forgive?"

LEONI

*Who dares to throw the stone to damn another's sin,
when you, while knowing all our past, forgive again?
No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.
As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Patty Morris

A READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 145:8-9,14-21

Patty Morris

Page 549 OT /Page 714 OT large print

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM "Wait for the Lord"- "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord"

Taize/Bentheim/Hudson

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 32:22-31

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SERMON

"The Greatest Fight of All Time"

Rev. Susan Haynes

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

GABARAIN

*CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE TO THE OFFERING

Hymn#711 (verse 1)

"Lord of All Good"

TOULON

*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Eric Morris

*HYMN #504

"We Come as Guests Invited"

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer (sins/sinners)

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Bread: "Christ's body broken for you."

The cup: "Christ's blood shed for you."

Music during Communion

"Above All"

Baloche/LaBlanc

Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer after Communion

***HYMN #366**

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

HYFRYDOL

***CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

***DEPARTING SONG**

"Go Now in Peace"

Besig/Price

Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

POSTLUDE

"Abide with Me"

EVENTIDE

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Kristin Boynton to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Art Sahr's heavenly birthday.*