



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

of the North Georgia Mountains

Rev. Susan L. Haynes, Pastor

November 2, 2025

Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

“Saraband”

G. F. Handel

George Atwell, Guest Accompanist

WELCOME and CHURCH NEWS

Rev. Susan Haynes

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lynn Hayes

Leader: The changing colors of leaves, the laughter of children playing dress-up, the flowers and trees that become food for foraging creatures:

People: Lord, your creation boasts of your goodness.

Leader: The Sunday school teachers who taught us your Word, the stranger who asked us if we were okay, the parent who showed us right and wrong, the neighbor who dropped by to say hello:

People: Lord, your creation boasts of your love.

All: *Let us join together as a community and worship our Creator, the author of everything that is beautiful.*

***HYMN #310**

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

ST. THOMAS

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

Holy and gracious God, you are the author of every good thing.

**Forgive us for the ways we fall short of
the beautiful story you invite us to step into.**

**You ask us to look to the margins and care for the lost;
we center ourselves.**

You ask us to give away; we grab for more.

You ask us to love one another; we cannot see beyond our divisions.

The world is full of ugliness, from the macro to the micro.

Forgive us. Help us. We call on you, our beloved, our help, our God, our hope.

In the name of our redeemer, Christ the Lord, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL SONG RESPONSE

Hymn #439-verse 3

“O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer”

STUTTGART

Far as east from west is distant, God has put away our sin;
like the pity of a father has the Lord's compassion been.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lynn Hayes

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 119: 137-144

Lynn Hayes

Page 538 OT /Page 700 OT large print

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

ANTHEM

“Behold the Lamb”

K. and K. Getty, S. Townsend

Sung By Max White

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

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SERMON

“Living by Faith”

Rev. Susan Haynes

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

“Theme”

W. A. Mozart

***CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE TO THE OFFERING**

Hymn #703-verse 1 “Jesus, Thou Boundless Love to Me” ST. CATHERINE

Jesus, thy boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare;

O knit my thankful heart to thee, and reign without a rival there!

Thine wholly, thine alone, I’d live; myself to thee entirely give.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(unison)

Lynn Hayes

Dear God,

We are grateful for so much:

for glimpses of peace in our world,

for reconciliation when we have been estranged,

for health following sickness, for rest after hard work,

for good friends, for family who are friends and for friends who are family,

for the good news that hope is stronger than despair,

that love is stronger than hate, that life is stronger than death.

Take what we offer, Lord, and use it in the building of your kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

***HYMN #509**

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

HOLY MANNA

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

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.”

Sharing the Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer after Communion

***HYMN #326**

“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

***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

“Coronation”

Lloyd Larsen

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God
by our 2026 Stewardship Committee.*