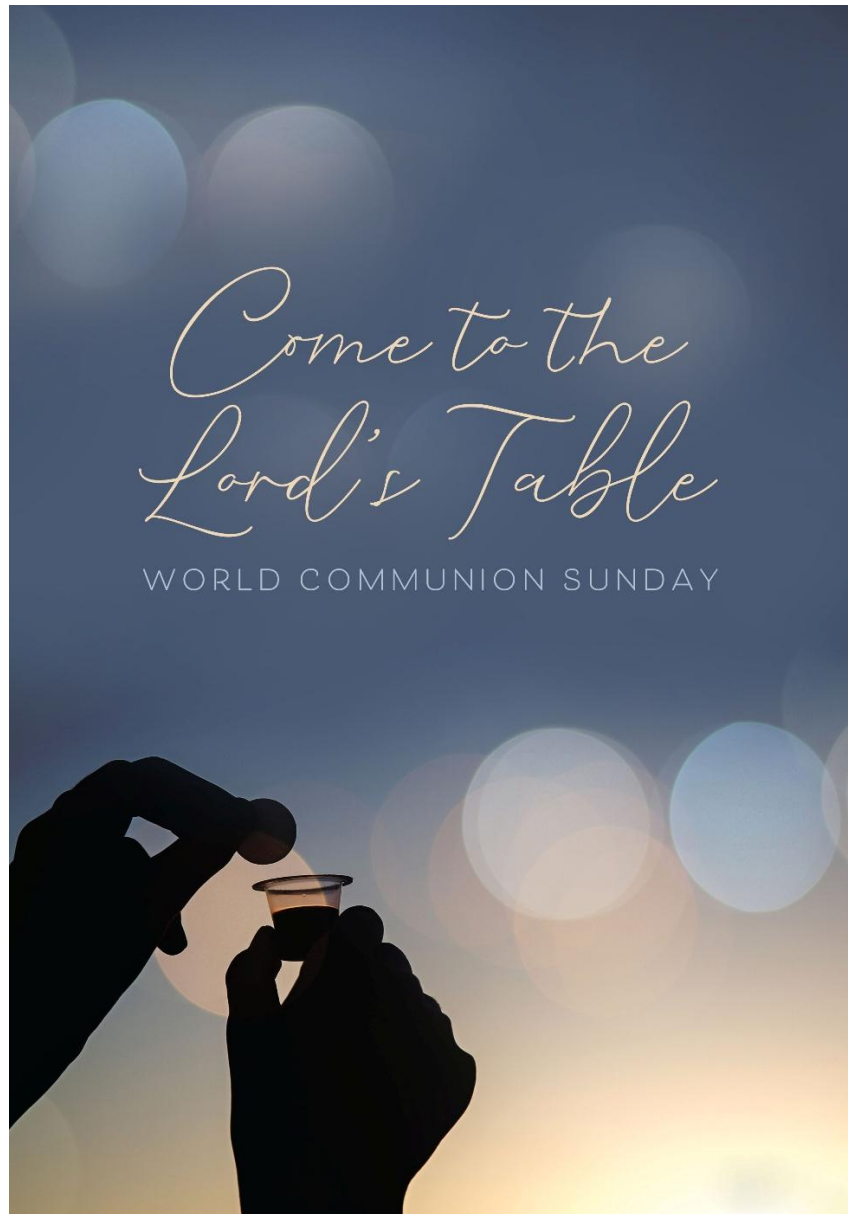


Rock Lake Presbyterian Church
Celebrating 76 years of "Shining Christ's Light"

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Welcome to Rock Lake Presbyterian Church

Here are a few tips to help you participate:

"*" Invites all who are able to stand.

Bold type invites reading or singing by the congregation.

Italic type invites silent reading by the congregation.

Large print hymnals are available from the usher.

Please return hymnals after the service.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
World Communion Sunday
October 4, 2026

Gathering

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Arr. Lani Smith

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION Ron Rogillio

INTROIT "Let All the World Sing Praise!" Vicki Hancock Wright

Let all the world sing Praise! Praise the Lord, all ye nations praise.
Praise the Lord, all ye people praise...Praise, oh praise the Lord!
God's love is great, God's love is lasting, God's love is faithful, endures forever.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather with hope in our hearts,
for something is happening here that teaches us that God is present.
We know this place is sacred,
for something is happening here that teaches us that God is our center.
We gather with joyful praise,
for something happens here that teaches us that God is forever faithful.

*OPENING HYMN #515 "I Come with Joy"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

...to our Rock and our Redeemer. **Amen.**

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD #466 "Come and Fill Our Hearts"

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we are indebted to you and your generosity. But we fail to live as good stewards of all you have given us. We confiscate and consume far more than our fair share. We neglect the poor and trap people in poverty, claiming that debt forgiveness is unfair. God, liberate us from our spiritual and moral bondage. Free our world for Jubilee. Reorder our priorities so all your nations and peoples may thrive.

*Silence for personal confession. God's people say **Amen.***

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Righteousness comes from God by faith. **Through the faithfulness of Christ our Lord, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.**

Listening to the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bless us, O God, with ears to hear your truth, vision to discern your path, and feet ready to move into action, responding to your call. Inspire us as we hear your Word read and proclaimed. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20

20 Then God spoke all these words, ²“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴“You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁷“You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸“Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹²“Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³“You shall not murder. ¹⁴“You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵“You shall not steal. ¹⁶“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.” ¹⁸When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance ¹⁹and said to Moses, “You speak to us, and we will listen, but do not let God speak to us, lest we die.” ²⁰Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid, for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.”

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-46

³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ ³⁹And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ ⁴¹They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.’ ⁴²Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord’s doing,

and it is marvelous in our eyes'? ⁴³ Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation producing the fruits of it." ⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ But when they tried to arrest him, they feared the multitudes, because they held him to be a prophet.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"We Are the World"

Sallie Daugherty, ALP

Responding to God

*HYMN #318

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

OFFERING OF FOOD for Heart and Hand

... Use these gifts to further Christ's mission and ministry in a hurting world. **Amen.**

JOYS & CONCERNS

If you would like to share a joy or concern, we would like to hear it. In order to hear it, please raise your hand and a microphone will be brought to you.

PASTORAL PRAYER and 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.

*HYMN

"O God, by Your Mercy, We Come to This Place"

See last page of bulletin

This hymn was written in honor of the World Communion Offering received today.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion

Communion will be by intinction. Please come forward, take a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. Communion will be brought to you if you are not able to come forward.

In honor of World Communion Sunday, there is a variety of breads from different countries.

Prayer after communion (*in unison*)

O God, you give us New Life in Christ Jesus. With all that we have and all that we are, we seek to be faithful to this gift. Accept our endeavors, amend our errors and guide our ambitions, that we may know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, for Christ's sake.

Going Forth to Serve

HYMN-PRAYER FOR THE WORLD #79 "Light Dawns on a Weary World"
Remain seated. Choir sings stanzas 1,2
Please stand
All sing stanza 3

*BENEDICTION

*DEPARTING SONG #79 Refrain reprise

**The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
as all the world in wonder echoes *shalom*.**

Greet one another in peace as you depart

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Church Notes

WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist: John Haynes
Preacher: Sallie Daugherty, ALP
Music Director: Marilyn Padon
Organist: Pam Ferrell

WE WELCOME BACK SALLIE DAUGHERTY TO OUR PULPIT TODAY

Sallie Daugherty is a native West Virginian who grew up in Charleston and has been a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church, Charleston where she is an Elder, former Clerk of Session, has been a choir member and children's Sunday school teacher and she is currently serving as a Deacon. The Presbytery of West Virginia approved Sallie as an authorized

lay preacher at its November 20, 2020 meeting. Since then, Sallie has answered God's call to travel around West Virginia to fill the pulpit wherever she is asked. Upon the retirement of Pastor Cherrie Sizemore, Sallie became the Commissioned Moderator of Elk Hills Presbyterian Church. She is the daughter of Jarve Currence and the late George A. Daugherty and is married to Byron Goodew. Sallie and Byron make their home in South Charleston, West Virginia.

TODAY'S COMMUNION BREADS COME FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

As we celebrate World Communion Sunday, we share breads from many lands as a sign of the beautiful diversity of Christ's Church. Though we are many members, we are one body in Christ, gathered at His table in faith, love, and fellowship.

Today we are celebrating **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**. For those who will not be able to attend in-person worship, please take time during the coming week to prepare for the Sacrament.

Also today is **FOOD OFFERING SUNDAY**. Don't forget that each Communion Sunday is "Food Offering" Sunday. You may leave your offering in the red wagon in the Narthex. All the collected food will go to Heart and Hand.

Prayer List

*To add/remove/correct names on the prayer list,
please call the church office (768-4141) or email rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com*

Prayers of Joy

All the preachers who have served in our pulpit since January. And the generosity of this part of Christ's Body.

Prayers for Concerns – Our friends and neighbors and their families

Patricia Ansley & Family	Ravi Isaiah	Don Shroder
Merrily Bailey	Kirk King	Mike & Susan Spurgeon
Barker Family	Doug Lathom	Ed Thompson
Shayne Compton	Cheryl Laws	Bill Wagner
Pam Gano	Hollie McCraw	Gary Withrow
Larry Graham	Rick McGuire	
Emily Holton	Karen Robinson	

- Praying for peace in the US/Iran conflict, Ukraine/Russia conflict, and the Israel/Hamas conflict and all conflicts around the globe. Grant us peace!

- We pray for peace in the world. We pray for our world leaders to do what is right and just. We pray for all the people in the world who are affected by war: The children, the common person, the armies, the leaders. Grant us courage and grace during the coming year.

- Climate change as evidenced by more severe and deadly storms, fires, floods, and prolonged heat waves locally, nationally, and globally. These events are causing large numbers of injuries and deaths of people, disruptions of food supplies, and many animal & plant species to greatly diminish and even go extinct.

Prayers for our Military

Brett Baker	Evan Chaney
Jeff Barker	Nigel Jeffries
Brent Bishop	

All who are serving, who have been injured and the families who have lost someone in combat; those who live and serve on the Korean Peninsula and other nations in that region of the world; our troops facing terrorist attacks.

Prayers for those in Senior Residential Centers - Jackie Pauley, Valley Center

Prayers for those at Home –Joel Callison, Bonnie Cheely, Anita Wehrmann

Prayer List for Churches: Belington Presbyterian Church; First Presbyterian Church, Charleston; Thithe Church; Thegene Parish

O God, by Your Mercy, We Come to This Place

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2026

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1. O God, by your mer - cy we come to this place.
2. O Christ, we're not stran - gers or en - e - mies here.
3. Lord, we look a - round and see hate ev - ery - where.
4. Through mis - sions and meet - ings where jus - tice is shown,
5. O Spi - rit, we pray that you'll move through the church,

We feast at your ta - ble on gifts of your grace.
For we're at your ta - ble, and you've made it clear:
Yet, you've shown us grace! It's a gift we're to share.
through co - ops where farm - ers learn they're not a - lone,
till peace, love and u - ni - ty cov - er the earth.

We taste your for - give - ness, then learn what to do:
We all are God's chil - dren, and blessed from a - bove,
May we share this grace till your bless - ings in - crease
through YAVs who are will - ing to try some - thing new,
O God, bless these gifts with your grace from a - bove,

"Do jus - tice, love kind - ness, walk hum - bly" with you.
we're glo - bal, con - nect - ed, and shaped by your love.
through jus - tice and di - a - logue, kind - ness and peace.
God, make us good part - ners in work - ing with you.
till oth - ers find joy in the feast of your love.

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