

# ***Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!***

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2025**

**16<sup>h</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**10:00 A.M.**

***Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.***

**Quote for Meditation:** *Once we realize that imperfect understanding is the human condition, there is no shame in being wrong, only in failing to correct our mistakes.* - unattributed

**GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Elder Betsy Regber

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**PRELUDE:**

**“O Worship the King”** (Hymn 41)

*arr. F. Peeters*

## **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Elder Betsy Regber

One: O God,  
by whom the meek are guided in judgment  
and light rises in darkness for the godly:

**All:** *Grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties,  
the grace to ask what you would have us do;  
that the Spirit of wisdom may save us from all false choices,*

One: and that in your light we may see light,  
and in your straight path may not stumble;

**All:** *through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

**\* Opening Hymn: #35**

**“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

Elder Betsy Regber

***Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory.***

***Have mercy and forgive us.***

***Lord, you have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit,  
yet we fail to return your love with all our heart.***

***Have mercy and change us.***

***Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others.***

***Have mercy and cleanse us.***

***Lord, when we do not truly trust and obey you, we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear and worry.***

***Have mercy and deliver us.***

***In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love, yet we follow the false hopes and desires of this world.***

***Have mercy and forgive us.***

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*Sung response: #581**

**“Gloria Patri”**

Elder Betsy Regber

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**CHILDREN’S TIME:**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

*Children will be dismissed to Sunday School following the children’s message.*

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

**Hebrew Poetry:**

**Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16** (OT pg.518)

Elder Betsy Regber

**Gospel:**

**Luke 16:19-31** (NT pg. 75)

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**Response:**

One: This is the Word of God.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**\*HYMN:**

**“Faith of Our Fathers”** ~ printed

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING –**

Elder Betsy Regber

**OFFERTORY:**

**“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”**  
Choir

*arr. Wallingford*

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION: #708**

**“We Give Thee But Thine Own”**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Elder Betsy Regber

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER (*debts*)**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

*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.*

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*CLOSING HYMN: #14**

**“For the Beauty of the Earth”**

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

*\*Please rise in body or in Spirit.*



**Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .**

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| Minister:                      | Reverend Christopher W. Scrivens |
| Lay Assistant:                 | Elder Betsy Regber               |
| Director of Family Ministries: | Elder Christy Hemmes             |
| Music Director:                | Matt Petrozelli                  |
| Guest Organist:                | Vicki Kopacka                    |
| Ushers:                        | Susan Johnson and Edward Johnson |
| Fellowship & Refreshments      |                                  |

Welcome to our Worship Service! Our regular congregants are asked to introduce themselves to any visitors they don't know and then introduce them to the congregation. Everyone is invited to join us for fellowship in Fellowship Center following the worship service this morning.

Our flowers are given to the glory of God by Judy Treutlein in memory of her husband, George Treutlein.



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