

Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church
Sunday, September 27, 2026

Prelude

Day by Day by Kendall

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome
Announcements

Reverend Brian Moss
Joe Jackson

Call to Worship

O give thanks to the Lord! The Lord hears the cries of the people.

Give thanks to the Lord.

The works of the Lord are great. Remember what God has done.

Give thanks to the Lord.

God has done miracles, and the Lord always remembers God's covenant.

Give thanks to the Lord. Glory and praise is due to the Lord!

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #71**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

ALL: Eternal God, we come before you aware that you know the truth of our hearts before we can utter a word. You know when our good intentions exceed our capacity for gospel living. You know when we embrace the good news of liberation with our lips but don't change our actions. We imprison ourselves with the assumption that you will judge us as mercilessly as we often judge ourselves and one another.

Forgive our shortcomings and the times we have failed to live the words we say. Restore us in the confidence of people who have heard good news and remind us that even when we arrive late, there is still work to be done. Amen.
(Silent Prayers of Confession)

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8 NRSV

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri #734**

Responsive Scripture Reading

Psalm 25:1-10

In you, LORD my God, I put my trust.

**I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths.

Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

**Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.**

Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me, for you, LORD, are good.

**Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.**

He guides the humble in what is right
and teaches them his way.

**All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful
toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.**

Hymn

Lord, I Gladly Trust (from Psalm 25)

Scripture

Ephesians 3:1-13

This is the Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The Gift of Grace

***Affirmation of Faith**

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A #86

Q. Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

A. Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also restoring us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for his benefits, so that he may be praised through us, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

Offering

***Doxology #34**

Prayer of Dedication

A Time of Sharing

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Response #474**

I Surrender All

***Benediction**

***Hymn #747**

Go with Us, Lord

Postlude

The Heavens Are Telling by Beethoven arr. Wells

(*Those who are able, please stand)

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