

The
Ancient
Roots
of the
GOSPEL

welcome to



REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 20, 2026

9:30 am Worship Service

Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor



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Welcome Visitors! We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning!
Hearing Devices are available at the sound booth.

Today's Speaker: Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor

Worship Leader: Nick Crowther, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Brooke

Childcare: Our ushers will be happy to direct you to any of these locations.

Nursery: during the worship service for infants through 3 years old in Room 103 (includes a **Nursing Mother's Room:** private room with a livestream of service).

Family Room: to see and hear the service; located across from Nursery; and the narthex classroom where service is projected for families that need some privacy.

Children's Worship: provided each Sunday (except first Sunday of each month) for children 4-6 years old. Children are dismissed before the sermon.

Children's sermon papers and activities: located at shelf in back of sanctuary.

Sunday School:

Nursery (birth-2 years old): Nursery Room 103

Toddler Class (2.5-3 years old): Nursery Room 101

Pre-K/K Class (4-5 years old): Nursery Room 208

Beginners Class (6 years old): 2nd floor, Room 204

Early Elementary Class (7 years old): Room 201

Middle Elementary Class (8 years old): Room 203

Upper Elementary Class (9-10 years old): Room 211

Jr. High (6th-8th grade): Room 213

Sr. High (9th-12th grade): Room 214

Adult Sunday School:

Foundations of Discipleship: This CAFE class will study how Jesus changes the world by multiplying disciples one life at a time, located on the third floor.

PRELUDE

*Whate'er My God Ordains is Right (Hymn 108)/ S. Rodigast
Rachel Vos, violin*

◇ A time of quiet preparation

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 27:1-4 (ESV)

Leader: Let us worship God.

People: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: Let us turn to God, our refuge.

People: When evildoers assail me ... my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

Leader: Let us draw near to God with wonder.

People: One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.

IN PRAYER

*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 32

Great is Thy Faithfulness

*WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Exodus 34:6-9 (ESV)

Leader: The Lord passed before [Moses] and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love to the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

People: Lord, we have sinned against you in our thoughts, our words, and our actions. According to your steadfast love and faithfulness, please forgive our iniquity and transgression and sin.

Leader: Moses bowed his head ... and said, “If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us, for [we are] a stiff-necked people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance.

People: Hear our prayer, O Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

2 Timothy 2:11-13 (ESV)

Leader: The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Lift High the Name of Jesus
Christus Victor
Before the Throne of God Above*

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING
WELCOME TO VISITORS

MISSIONS MOMENT

Cheryl Erb, Engaging Disability

WE SEEK GOD’S FACE

Prayers of God's People

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Unison: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

Whate'er My God Ordains is Right

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:10-13:4 (ESV)

¹⁰Now there was a famine in the land. So Abram went down to Egypt to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. ¹¹When he was about to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, "I know that you are a woman beautiful in appearance, ¹²and when the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife.' Then they will kill me, but they will let you live. ¹³Say you are my sister, that it may go well with me because of you, and that my life may be spared for your sake." ¹⁴When Abram entered Egypt, the Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful. ¹⁵And when the princes of Pharaoh saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. ¹⁶And for her sake he dealt well with Abram; and he had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male servants, female servants, female donkeys, and camels. ¹⁷But the Lord afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. ¹⁸So Pharaoh called Abram and said, "What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? ¹⁹Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her for my wife? Now then, here is your wife; take her, and go." ²⁰And Pharaoh gave men orders concerning him, and they sent him away with his wife and all that he had.

¹So Abram went up from Egypt, he and his wife and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the Negeb. ²Now Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold. ³And he journeyed on from the Negeb as far as Bethel to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, ⁴to the place where he had made an altar at the first. And there Abram called upon the name of the Lord.

SERMON

When Faith Falters

Genesis series: The Ancient Roots of the Gospel

Dr. David Kieffer

*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

HYMN OF RESPONSE 457

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Song Lyrics

32 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided -
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

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Lift High the Name of Jesus

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our King
Make known the power of His grace The beauty of His peace
Remember how His mercy reached And we cried out to Him
He lifted us to solid ground To freedom from our sin

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Lord
His pow'r in us is greater than Is greater than this world
To share the reason for our hope To serve with love and grace
That all who see Him shine through us Might bring the Father praise

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Light
No other name on earth can save Can raise a soul to life
He opens up our eyes to see The harvest He has grown
We labor in His fields of grace As He leads sinners home

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Christus Victor (Amen)

O Most High, King of the ages, Great I AM, God of wonders
By the blood You have redeemed us, Led us through mighty waters
Our strength, our song, our sure salvation
Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power
for the battle You have won. Hallelujah! Amen
O Most High, dwelling among us
Son of man, sent for sinners, By Your blood You have redeemed us
Spotless Lamb, mighty Savior, Who lived, who died, who rose victorious
Now to the Lamb upon the throne
be blessing, honor, glory, power for the battle You have won. Hallelujah!

With every tribe and every tongue we join the anthem of the angels
in the triumph of the Son. Hallelujah! Amen
O Most High, King of the nations robed in praise, crowned with splendor
On that day, who will not tremble when You stand, Christ the Victor
Who was, and is, and is forever

Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power
for the battle You have won. Hallelujah!

With every tribe and every tongue
we join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah! Amen. Amen, amen, a - - - - men
Amen, amen, a - - - - men. Amen, amen, a - - - - men

Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power
for the battle You have won. Hallelujah!

With every tribe and every tongue we join the anthem of the angels
in the triumph of the Son. Hallelujah! Amen
Sing the victory of the Lamb. Hallelujah! Amen, Amen

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Before the Throne

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands, My name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heav'n he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me. To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold him there! The Risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God With Christ my Savior and my God.

I bow before the cross of Christ, And Marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most high has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love, And poured on me His glorious love

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457 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander— Lord, I feel it— prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

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