



PRESTON HOLLOW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Trusting that All Belong to God. Living Like We Belong to One Another.

AUGUST 10, 2025

11 A.M.

9th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Adagio Cantabile from Violin Sonata No. 2 in A Minor, BWV 1003* J. S. Bach

WELCOME & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Please check in by signing the register found in the pew or by scanning this code with your phone.



***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Please greet one another with “The peace of Christ be with you” or “And also with you.”

INTROIT

Lord of All Hopefulness
Summer Choir

arr. Paul Halley

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: As the shepherd seeks out his sheep,

All: The Lord seeks us out.

One: As the woman finds her coin,

All: Christ finds us.

One: As the father embraces his son,

All: God embraces us.

One: We are claimed by God, let us sing with joy.

***HYMN 39**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, you have claimed us as your own. We belong to you every day of our lives. And yet, we too often hide from you, turn our backs, and go off track. We confess we do not love you with our whole hearts, and do not love our neighbors as ourselves. We have excluded and judged when we were called to include and embrace. Forgive us God, and allow us to walk in your way. Amen.

***WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

All: We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 15:11-32

SERMON

Seeking the Lost

On the Way with Luke

Rev. Matthew Ruffner

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Belhar Confession

We believe that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

To give online, please visit www.phpc.org/give, scan the QR code, or text "PHPC" to 73256. All \$1 bills and all coins will be included in our Every Dollar Counts offering, Kids Against Hunger. To learn more about EDC, visit phpc.org/impact.



OFFERTORY

Just as I Am

arr. Howard Helvey

Summer Choir

Text found at Hymn 442

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN 774

There Is Now a New Creation

STUTTGART

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Peace I Leave with You

Mendelssohn/arr. Hal Hopson

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

John Stanley

WORSHIP LEADERS

The preacher today is Rev. Matthew Ruffner. Rev. Caroline Braskamp, Tripp Canaday, Rev. Caroline Grindrod, and Rev. Elizabeth Snyder are the liturgists. The organist is Artist-in-Residence Bradley Hunter Welch. Steve Jobman, Artistic Director-in-Residence, conducts the Summer Choir.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers continue for the family and friends of John Harvey, who died on July 17. A memorial service will be held on August 15 at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Sharon Balch in loving memory of Nancy Hampton.

The flowers in the Columbarium Garden are given by Karen Wiese in loving memory of Tom Wiese on our anniversary, and by Libby Sartain Wiese in loving memory of Parks and Sarah Pedrick.

FOR OUR GUESTS

No matter who you are or where you are on your faith journey, you belong here. We offer several items to make the worship service more accessible to those with unique needs: Hearing Aid Headphones, large print Bibles, hymnals, bulletins, and hymn sheets. Please ask an usher for any of these items. Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Worship kits are available on the white cube shelves in the north and south transepts. We also provide a professionally staffed nursery in room S168 (across from the church office) for infants through 36 months. Please notify an usher if you need assistance.



Rev. Matthew Ruffner
Senior Pastor



Rev. Mark Brainerd
Senior Associate Pastor



Rev. Caroline Grindrod
Associate Pastor for Young
Adults, Developing Families, &
Connection



Rev. Elizabeth Snyder
Monie Pastoral Resident



Rev. Caroline Braskamp
Pastoral Associate for
Faith Formation



Rev. Dr. John Roper
Parish Associate

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

Today at PHPC

9 a.m. - Contemporary Worship Service
10 a.m. - Summer Connection Hour
11 a.m. - Traditional Worship Service
Noon - Coffee Hour in the Atrium
Noon - PHPC Youth Lunch at Torchy's (Preston/Forest)

Blessing of the Backpacks

Today | August 10

From preschool to grad school, students and teachers, as you return to classrooms, PHPC wants to offer you a special blessing. Bring your backpack to either worship service for a moment of prayer, and get this year's backpack tag! We will have a special reception during Connection Hour for our families. All are invited to come and pray for our students and teachers. Write a specific blessing for your family, and enjoy a time of fellowship.

Volunteer Emergency Response Training

Sunday | August 17 | 10 a.m. | Jubilee Hall

If you are a current or aspiring volunteer at PHPC, join us during Connection Hour for a special training on emergency preparedness. We'll review how to respond to various scenarios so we can be ready and equipped to act quickly and effectively. Childcare will be offered during this session, meet in Jubilee Hall.

2025 August Connection Hour

August Connection Hour offerings:

- 8/17 Volunteer Emergency Response Training
- 8/24 Sabbatical Talk Back; Children's Story Time in the Library
- 8/31 No Connection Hour due to Labor Day

Realm App

Many have already logged into our new database and downloaded the Realm Connect App, but it becomes truly useful when everyone participates. Through the app, you can view your giving, register for events, check in for worship, find groups, and more. Your privacy is protected. Realm is secure and only accessible to PHPC members. This fall, it will become our primary communication tool, so please create your account. If you need help getting started, email communications@phpc.org.

Meal Packing Service Project

Saturday | August 23 | 10 a.m. - Noon | Jubilee Hall

PHPC is excited to partner with Dallas Dialogue Institute, the organization that hosts the Ramadan Dinners, for a special interfaith service project suitable for all ages. We're coming together to pack shelf-stable meals in collaboration with Kids Against Hunger. Our goal is to pack 30,000 meals, and we would love to have as many helping hands as possible to make this happen! Invite a friend to serve with you! Please note: This is a project that requires volunteers to stand for two hours. Go to phpc.org/connect/events to sign up.

Sermon Creation Bible Study

Wednesday | August 13 | 8 a.m. | La Madeleine

Come, shape the next sermon! Throughout the summer, you are invited to meet with the preacher and other PHPC members to discuss the text for the upcoming Sunday. The Bible study will last one hour. No preparation needed. Bring yourself, your Bible, and an open mind and heart. The location and times vary each week and can be found at phpc.org/summer.

- For this week: Wednesday, August 13, 8 a.m. at La Madeleine (Preston/Forest) with Rev. Mark Brainerd.
- The following week will be with Rev. Matthew Ruffner on Tuesday, August 19, 1:30 p.m. at White Rock (Preston/Royal).

Youth Open House

Sunday | August 17 | Noon | Youth House

All youth 7th - 12th grade and their parents are invited to the Youth House Open House on August 17. We will go over everything you need to know about PHPC Youth from our regular schedule to upcoming trips and beyond. Questions? Reach out to Lauren Hood (lhood@phpc.org).

Kick-Off Sunday!

Sunday | September 7

Join us as we begin an exciting new year at PHPC with Kick-off Sunday! We'll start with a Connection Fair in the Atrium, where representatives from various interest and formation groups will be available to chat and answer your questions. Over in Jubilee Hall, one side will feature an introduction to this year's theme, along with an opportunity to purchase our guiding journal. On the other side, children will explore their new Sunday School classrooms as we officially launch Children's Sunday School for the year! We look forward to new friendships and to growing deeper together in faith!