



PRESTON HOLLOW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

OCTOBER 25, 2026

11 A.M.

Common Character

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Allegretto from "Hamburger Sonata"

C. P. E. Bach

Kara Welch, flute

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

From All That Dwells Below the Skies

arr. Fred Bock

Sanctuary Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Mary poured out a gift of love and devotion before the Lord.

All: We come to offer our hearts in gratitude and worship.

One: God calls us beyond counting costs and measuring worth.

All: We trust in God's abundance and give thanks for every good gift.

One: Let us worship the God who has first loved us.

All: Let us worship this morning with open hearts and minds.

*HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we are quick to count and slow to love. Like those gathered around Mary, we often measure worth by what can be gained, saved, or justified, rather than by devotion to you. We hold tightly to what we call our own and question acts of generosity that do not seem practical or productive. Forgive us when our hearts become occupied with judgment, scarcity, or self-interest. By your grace, free us to live with grateful hearts, recognizing that all we have belongs to you, and teach us to respond with the wholehearted love and faithful devotion we see in Mary; through Christ our Lord. 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

Children are welcome to stay in worship or join the Kids Ministry Team in the Chapel for Worship Foundations after the Children's Sermon. They will return during the doxology.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Noemi Tsai

Rev. Caroline Grindrod
Susan Swinson, Liturgical Elder
Fred Van't Slot, Sponsoring Elder

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:1-8

SERMON

She Knew

Common Character

Rev. Matthew Ruffner

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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, benefiting To Be Like Me. To learn more about EDC, visit phpc.org/impact.



OFFERTORY

Here I Am, Lord
Sanctuary Choir
Text found at Hymn 69

arr. Craig Courtney

*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 223

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Sevenfold Amen

Peter Lutkin

*POSTLUDE

Toccata on "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

David Cherwien

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE SANCTUARY in the form of video recording and live streaming. Your presence with us today signifies your consent to the possibility that your image may be included in our media broadcast.

We now offer Auracast™ audio streaming to make our services more accessible for everyone. With Auracast, you can enjoy crystal-clear sound directly to your compatible hearing aids, earbuds, or headphones—no extra equipment needed. To connect with your hearing aids, open your hearing aid app and search for the *Auri-Sanctuary* broadcast. Click on “Auri-Sanctuary” to connect to the broadcast. If your phone uses Auracast Assistant, scan the QR code. The QR code will not work with a regular Bluetooth device. Each device is different, so check with your audiologist if you have trouble connecting. We also have assistive listening devices with headphones that may be used by anyone.



Large print Bibles, hymnals, bulletins, and hymn sheets are available at the Atrium entrance to the Sanctuary. Please ask an usher for assistance with 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. Headphones and fidgets are available for people of all ages to the right of the atrium door, and in the white cubes. We also provide a professionally staffed nursery in room S168 (across from the church office) for infants through 36 months.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The preacher today is Rev. Matthew Ruffner. Rev. Mark Brainerd and Rev. Caroline Grindrod are the liturgists. The organist is Artist-in-Residence Bradley Welch. Steve Jobman, Artistic Director-in-Residence, conducts the Sanctuary Choir. The Sanctuary Ringers are conducted by Stephanie Rhoades, Director of Worship and Music.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Kathy and Michael Crow in honor of Blair Crow's 1st birthday. The flowers in the Columbarium Garden are given in loving memory of Catherine Cox Robertson by her family; in loving memory of Jim Elliot by Linda Elliot; and in loving memory of Sarah and Parks Pedrick by the Pedrick sisters: Libby, Blair, and Sally.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers for Jim and Carolyn Lewis on the death of Carolyn's brother, Stewart Smith, on October 20.



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

All Saints' Sunday

November 1 | 8 a.m. | Columbarium Garden

All are welcome to attend the service in the Columbarium Garden at 8 a.m. on All Saints' Sunday. The service will include communion, the naming of those who have died in the past year, and bagpipes.

Sunday | November 1 | 11 a.m. | Sanctuary

The Sanctuary Choir will offer Rutter's beloved REQUIEM as an integral part of the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday, November 1. Accompanied by an instrumental ensemble, this work by John Rutter—a dear friend of Preston Hollow—offers a profound musical meditation on life and death, remembrance and hope, and the promise of eternal life. Shuyi Li will be the featured soprano soloist.

PHPC Basics Class

Sunday | November 1 | 10 a.m.

For those who desire to join the church or learn more about the congregation, we ask that you either attend our PHPC Basics Class or meet directly with Rev. Caroline Grindrod. On the same day as the PHPC Basics Class, which meets from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., there is also a Covenant Service to officially join the church. This short service begins at noon, and afterward you are invited to eat lunch with other new and existing members and staff. The following Sunday, new members will be introduced to the congregation during the worship service of their choosing. To register for the PHPC Basics Class, use the QR code below.

Faith Journeys: Sports as Spiritual Formation

Sundays | November 1, 8, 15 | 10 a.m. | Jubilee B

Our faith can be formed by a variety of practices—prayer, Bible study, worship, service, giving, and even sports! Sports teach us first-hand about excellence, teamwork, and sacrifice. The Apostle Paul used sports to talk about how virtue and character can be developed. Come explore with Pastor Elizabeth Snyder how sports can shape not only our bodies but our character and our faith.

Kendall Payne & The Kindred Collective First Listen

Monday | November 2 | 6:30 - 8 p.m. | Emmanuel Hall

Join Kendall Payne & The Kindred Collective (the Contemporary Worship Band) on November 2 for a relaxed evening of music, pizza, and fellowship! Hear the story behind their new album, then enjoy listening to it together in full before its official release. Pizza and fellowship begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the album listening experience at 7 p.m. RSVP to Kendall Payne at kendall@kendallpayne.com.

Crowded Table

Sunday | November 8 | 5 p.m. | Soccer Field

We are so excited to host our second Crowded Table at PHPC! This special tradition celebrates our belief that everyone is welcome, bringing our community together around one continuous table stretching from the soccer field into the front parking lot. You, your family, and your friends are all invited to gather, share a meal, and enjoy time together. RSVP using the QR code below.

Coat & Winter Outerwear Drive

All of October | Atrium

It's time to clear out your closets! PHPC's annual winter gear drive for Now-Forward will run through November 1. We're collecting gently used or new coats of all sizes and new hats, gloves, and snow pants. Drop off your donations in the designated boxes in the Atrium by the water fountains. Together, we can help keep our neighbors warm this winter!

Commit 2027

Commit is here! This is a time to give thanks and respond to God's faithfulness. Your pledge helps PHPC plan boldly for the year ahead and supports the ministries that help our community grow in faith and wisdom. Our goal is \$4.2 million, and every pledge helps us get there. Pledge online at phpc.org/commit, turn in your pledge card during worship today, or drop it off at the Finance Office.



Scan here to register for the events seen in the bulletin.