

In response to God’s love and grace, through Jesus Christ,
we commit to learning, proclaiming, and living the love of God.



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR August 2, 2026

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVING THE CHURCH

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Robert Cook
MusiciansDr. J. Frederick Davison, Brenda Slick
Gavin Parris, Keegan Parris
Liturgist.....Julia Herrmann
Communion Servers..... Sue Bell, Racheal Bowman
Beverly Leap, Diane Mills
Closer.....Paul Sauder

*The fresh flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are offered to the
glory of God and sponsored by the Presbyterian Women.*

* Please stand as able

Centering Thought

It's a picture of the gospel—sinners washing away their sins into the water, but then Jesus Himself being baptized with that sin-polluted water. It's as though the sins that have washed off these sinners have now washed over the person of the Lord Jesus.

Welcome & Brief Announcements

The Prelude

Morning Has Broken

Traditional Gaelic melody. arr. Mark Hayes

Brenda Slick, *piano*

*The Call to Worship

Leader: God is gracious and merciful,

People: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Leader: God upholds all who are falling

People: and raises up all who are bowed down.

Leader: God is just in every way!

People: and kind in all his deeds.

All: Let us worship God together!

*Hymn #270 (Psalm 145) *O Lord, You Are My God and King*

*The Prayer of Confession (unison)

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen. (Silent prayer)

*The Assurance of Pardon and Peace with God

Leader: Friends, believe the good news:

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

*The Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

J. Frederick Davison

Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost,
5 As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,
9 world with - out end. A - men. *rit.*

The Children's Time with Their Pastor

A Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and respect, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Duet

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Michael W. Smith, arr. Lloyd Larson

Gavin Parris, *tenor* Keegan Parris, *baritone*

Brenda Slick, *piano*

Open the eyes of my heart Lord, open the eyes of my heart,

I want to see you; I want to see you.

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory;

Pour out your power and love as we sing, " Holy, holy, holy."

*The Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:1-17

Pastor: this is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message ***Jesus and Our Jordan*** – Pastor Robert Cook

*Response to the Word The Apostles Creed Page 35

Joys, Cares and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer

*The Doxology #606

*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

* Hymn #503 *Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation*

The Service of Holy Communion

Pastor: Come to this table Where bread and cup are transformed by the Spirit of God Into a meal of love and grace. A supper of visions and dreams A table where all souls are welcome.

Loving God, Whose Divine breath exhaled the Spirit into our World, your breath continues to transform our world from the still to the stirring. Before the earth was formed, the Spirit of God swirled through voids and shadows. As humans were created the breath of God filled the lungs of Adam and the soul of Eve. This Divine breath still fills us up when our bones and spirits are dry. On this summer day we invite the Spirit to come upon us again.

All: God of winds, pour out your Spirit to make us fully alive. Make this meal awaken our sleepy hearts and stagnant souls. May this time of eating and drinking be one where we stir from our sadness and rise from our hopelessness. May we begin to celebrate visions and dare to dream again.

Pastor: The night before Jesus died was a solemn time around the table. In the breaking bread and in drinking from the cup. Jesus asking to remember him not only for the great sacrifice he made for all, but that he is risen and with us always. Today we remember but we also celebrate with joy the mystery of our faith:

**All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Pastor: After the day of resurrection, the disciples ate on the beach with the risen Christ Celebrating new life, new hope, new vitality. So, on this day, as we come to the table, let us celebrate the Spirit of Resurrection and the promise of a needed second-wind in our own lives. Let us partake of this celebratory meal together.

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

The Breaking of the Bread and the Giving of the Cup

The Prayer After Holy Communion (Unison)

Spirit of God, through Jesus, baptized for us, who fed the multitudes, provided the manna in the wilderness, and blessed the elements; we give great thanks for the meal eaten and the company surrounding us. Inspire us as we move forward this day and encourage us to transform our dreams into reality. Through your Son, our Redeemer. Amen.

*Hymn #543 *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*

*The Blessing

The Postlude

His Eye is on the Sparrow

Charles H. Gabriel, arr. Bill Wolaver

Brenda Slick, *piano*

Join us after Worship and Enjoy

LEMONADE
ON THE LAWN

Hosted by the Special Events Committee

SIP, SMILE, STAY-A-WHILE

PRAYER CONCERNS

Donna Bingaman	Dremah Sue
Terri Brust	Rockwell Runshaw
Cora Crider	Patti Sechrist
Frank Custis	Alan Shope
Alicia DeAngelis	Todd Smith
Mindy Grosh	Sally Snyder
Bill Heacox	R. H. Stamper
Kathy Kendall	John & Alysa Stanton
Amanda Lain	Donna & Sarah Stillwagon
Lynne Leap	Kim Tartaglia
Sue Lum	Helen Taulbee
June Marshall	Kevin Taulbee
Steve Miller	Evelyn Thompson
Julie Miller	Tinninis/Seidel Family
Penny Mohler	Tracy Toston
Leslie Moose	Carla Vickers
David Myers	Tim Walck
Dan Patton	Emmie White
Michael Paylor	Bethany Yeager
Marvin & Nancy Rice	

*Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer
and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests
known to God. – Philippians 4:5*

This prayer list reflects our love and support for our church family. Please submit or review names on the list to balance healing requests with general community/member prayers.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 2

10:00 am **Worship with Communion**
Lemonade on the Lawn / 1st Sunday Food Drive
Prayers for Silver Spring Presbyterian Church

Monday, August 3

6:00 pm Special Events Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 4

6:30 pm Christian Ed Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 5

9:00 am Prayer Group
7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Thursday, August 6

6:00 pm Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry

Saturday, August 8

GPC Mission Team leave for Laurel Mission, Kentucky
Loving Father, thank you for the volunteers who have been called to serve. Prepare their hearts and minds for the work ahead. Equip them with the knowledge, ability, and compassion needed to make a positive impact on those in need.

Sunday, August 9

10:00 am **Worship** followed by Coffee Fellowship



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