

October 18, 2026
Welcome
Silent Meditation

Call to Worship: Ps 100:4-5
Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Hymn: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven
#76
Invocation

The Law of Christ: Mark 12:31
Pastor: Our Lord Jesus summarized the moral law of God by saying,
Congregation: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

Pastor: Beloved we have not done this as we ought; therefore, let us confess our sin:

Corporate Confession of sin:
O, Lord our God, you are holy, righteous and good; we are broken miserable sinners. We presume upon your grace. We waste your blessings and resources.
In your mercy, break our hearts over our sin. Help us to see the great evil of them.
Help us to see how we defame the Name of Christ by our attitudes, words and actions. Grant us that true grief for sin that leads to repentance.
Keep us from falling into despair but rather help us to see the glory of the cross and the infinite merit of our Savior who died there.
Thank you for your mercy to us in Him and may we live out our gratitude to Him in all that we do, through the merits and glorious name of the Author and Finisher of our faith the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Personal (silent)

Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:8-9
If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.
Congregation: We give praise to God who is faithful and just. Who has forgiven us of our sins and cleansed us from unrighteousness.
Pastor: How pure has the blood of Christ made you?

Congregation: Although our sins were like scarlet, they are as white as snow (Isa 1:18).
All: **Praise and glory be to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

Pastor: 1 John 2:1, 29; 5:12
If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. If you know that He is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of Him. The one who has the Son has life.
Congregation: Lord Jesus Christ, you are our life, and in You we live. Thank you for causing us to be born again by your Holy Spirit so that we might live in Your love. Help us see and overcome the destruction we work to our bodies, our minds, and our hearts; strengthen us to pursue the good and thankful use of this world, rather than to abuse it; and animate us to pursue earnestly Your upbuilding and life-giving love and peace for those around us.
Response:
Minister: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night. (Ps 92:1)
Congregation: For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands. How great are your works, O LORD, how profound your thoughts! (Ps 92:4-5)

Hymn: Arise O Lord Our God Arise (Tune Turo #369) #374

Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism #55
55. Q. What do you understand by the communion of saints?
A. First, that believers, all and everyone, as members of Christ have communion with Him and share in all His treasures and gifts. Second, that everyone is duty-bound to use his gifts readily and cheerfully for the benefit and well-being of the other members.

Song: I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever.
I will sing, I will sing.
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever.
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

With my mouth will I make known
Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness.
With my mouth will I make known
Thy faithfulness to all generations.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever.

I will sing, I will sing.
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever.
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

Pastoral Prayer

Gospel: Mark 14:51-72

Psalter: PS 85 (Tune St Geroge’s Windsor #420)

LORD, thine heart in love hath yearned
On Thy lost and fallen land;
Isr'el's race is homeward turned,
Thou hast freed Thy captive band:
Thou hast borne Thy people's sin,
Covered all their deeds of ill;
All Thy wrath is gathered in,
And Thy burning anger still.

Turn us, stay us, now once more,
God of all our health and peace;
Let Thy cloud of wrath flee o'er,
From Thine own thy fury cease,
Wilt Thou ne'er the storm assuage
On the realm of thy desire,
Length'ning out from age to age
Thy consuming jealous ire?

Wilt Thou not in mercy turn?
Turn, and be our life again,
That Thy people's heart may burn
With the gladness of Thy reign.
Show us now Thy tender love;
Thy salvation, LORD, impart;
I the voice divine would prove,
List'ning in my silent heart:

Epistle:1 Peter 2:10-17
Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.
Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.
Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.
Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme,

