

# Celebration of Worship

October 9, 2022

9:30 A.M.

*We are followers of Jesus Christ, living and sharing  
the love of God through faith and action, welcoming all.*

**Prelude**                      *Sonata No. 4 – Allegretto*                      Mendelssohn

## Reflections on Stewardship Sunday

“The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship. We cannot say we love the land and then take steps to destroy it for use by future generations.”                      Pope John Paul II

“All Christians are but God’s stewards. Everything we have is on loan from the Lord, entrusted to us for a while to use in serving Him.”  
John MacArthur

## Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads in the chair racks.)

## Ring of the Bell

**Song**                      *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place*

## Call to Worship

**Leader:** Trust that the Holy One is already forming a new creation in you.

**People: We come trusting God’s mercy to center and change us.**

**Leader:** God calls you by name for deeds of mercy.

**People: May God’s ancient action be a present presence as we gather.**

**Leader:** Let us worship God.

## Invocation

**Leader:** Eternal God, take our weary waiting and form in us a readiness for renewal. Shape our hearts for healing, our minds for mending, and our souls for sharing. Still us to discover again Your love made known to us in Jesus Christ. Change us and transform us that our lives more clearly reflect Your will and Your way of mercy into the world. Make us new, Lord. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

**Hymn**                      *Make a Joyful Noise to God*

## Prayer of Transformation and New Life

**All: Loving God, open our hearts and minds for healing. We have clutched the past in ways that have prevented us from doing the transforming work of Your Kingdom. Boundaries of our own making have kept us resistant to Your healing and Your mercy. Definitions of the world’s making have created divisions, preventing a new day, a new season, and a new life.**

**Lift every burden and release us from hurt and the fear that keeps us from You and all that You have created.**

Moment of Silent Prayer and Reflection

## Words of Grace

**Leader:** Hear the good news! God is pouring into us a large love born of mercy. No burden from our past is stronger than God’s love and transforming power. Now may our lives become songs of thanksgiving and praise that others too may discover the amazing power of God to make all things new! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

## Gloria Patri

## Children’s Time

(Children in PreK through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are dismissed to the Shine Program)

## Passing of the Peace

**Hymn**                      *We Come to You for Healing, Lord*

**Scripture Readings**                      *Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7*

*Luke 17:11-19*

**Anthem**                      *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*                      arr. Kinyon  
Alleluia Bells

**Scripture Reading**                      *Luke 6:35-38a*

**Sermon**                      *A Simple Review*                      Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

## The Good News Creed

**All: This is the good news which we received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day, and that He appeared to the women, and that he appeared to Peter, then to the Twelve and to many faithful witnesses. We believe He is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the beginning and the end. He is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People and Lighting of Prayer Candles

**Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer** (Debts/debtors)

**Offering** Please place your offering in the plates at the exit doors, mail your gifts to the church, or click the WPC website ‘Give’ button

## Doxology and Blessing of the Offering

**Hymn**                      *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*                      # 276

## Benediction

**Postlude**                      *Prelude in D Major*                      Bach

## Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings; I see glory on each face.  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

## Make a Joyful Noise to God!

Make a joyful noise to God! All creation sings Your praise!  
Great Your wonders here displayed, unexcelled throughout our days.  
Glorious is Your sacred name, ages old, yet still the same.

Come and see what God has done, great the blessings to the just:  
Walked the chosen through the sea, brought their enemies to dust.  
Let us lift a thankful voice for God's mercies, and rejoice!

Bless the Lord, our refuge sure; let our songs of praise be heard!  
By whose justice, we are tried; by whose grace, our guilt deferred.  
When our life's sure end shall come, bring us to your heavenly home.

## Gloria Patri

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.

## We Come to You for Healing, Lord

We come to You for healing, Lord, of body, mind, and soul,  
And pray that by Your Spirit's touch we may again be whole.

As once You walked through ancient streets and reached toward  
those in pain,  
We know You come among us still with power to heal again.

You touch us through physician's skills, through nurses' gifts of care,  
And through the love of faithful friends who lift our lives in prayer.

Through nights of pain and wakefulness, through days when strength  
runs low,

Grant us Your gift of patience, Lord, Your calming peace to know.

We come to You, O loving Lord, in our distress and pain,  
In trust that through our nights and days Your grace will heal, sustain.

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

## Great Is Thy Faithfulness

# 276

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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## MEMORY VERSE

*Be still and know that I am God.  
Psalm 46:10*

## LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, October 9<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup></u>
Old Testament	<i>Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7</i>	<i>Jeremiah 31:27-34</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 66:1-12</i>	<i>Psalm 119:97-104</i>
New Testament	<i>II Timothy 2:8-15</i>	<i>II Timothy 3:14 – 4:5</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 17:11-19</i>	<i>Luke 18:1-8</i>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by live-streaming. Sunday services continue to be live-streamed. You can watch them live at 9:30 or later at your leisure using:  
**Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/> or  
**YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
2. MASKS ARE AVAILABLE in the Narthex for those who would like to wear one while in the building.
3. THE FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE are given by the Fischer Family to the Glory of God in honor of John & Ruth's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
4. JOIN US TODAY in the Sanctuary following the service to hear about stewardship and kick off the fall pledge campaign. It will be live-streamed so that those of you who are with us on YouTube or FaceBook can also watch.
5. NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS - We would love to have you become part of our church family! We are planning to have a new member class so that we can share with our visitors who we are as a congregation and as Presbyterians. If you are interested or have any questions, please call the church office (585-265-9700) or Elaine Wilbert (585-503-9141.)
6. JOHN SANKOK, who operates several medical clinics on the Massai Mara, Kenya, will be visiting this month. We are collecting new or like new used clothes for baby layettes for his maternity clinics. If you have a donation, they must be to the church or Tina McNeary by October 12<sup>th</sup>.
7. WEBSTER MINISTRIES ON RIDGE ROAD next to Holy Trinity Church is in great need of the following items for its cupboards during October: Shampoo, body wash, lotion, toothpaste (urgent need), baby wipes, size 4 diapers, canned pineapple, jarred spaghetti sauce, new or gently used towels. If you can help, please place items in the box in the upper Narthex labeled HOPE and we will deliver them. Thank you for caring.
8. THE CHURCH PARKING LOT REPAVING has been delayed until next spring/summer since the cold, wet weather this fall would compromise the quality of the job. We will continue to collect donations and pledges toward the project if you choose to give at this time. Those who choose to wait will be asked to indicate their intentions by the end of March, 2023. If you have already given and would like a refund, please call Georgia in the church office and a refund will be provided. Please call the church office or Connie Rice (703-0618) with questions or concerns.
9. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for the semi-annual clean-up of the Route 250 roadside by the church this coming Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM. If you have participated before, you know this is a rewarding task. Come help keep this part of God's world litter-free. To volunteer, sign-up in the Narthex today or contact Mark Pipal at 787-4301 or pipalmw@yahoo.com.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, October 9

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. In the Sanctuary
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Scavenger Hunt

### Monday, October 10

- 7:00 P.M. Garden Club in the Memorial Room

### Tuesday, October 11

- 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 10:00 A.M. MVP Presentation in the Social Room
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Leaders in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Trustees' Meeting in Room 9/10

### Wednesday, October 12

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 1:00 P.M. Naomi Circle in the Memorial Room
- 6:30 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Committee in the Memorial Room

### Thursday, October 13

- 7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom
- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 A.M. King Circle in the Memorial Room
- 1:45 P.M. Adult Ed. Committee at the Saylor Home
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 752 in the Social Room  
Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 6:30 P.M. Youth Committee in the Youth Room  
PNC Meeting in Room 9/10

### Friday, October 14

- 10:30 A.M. Book Club on Zoom

### Saturday, October 15

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8020641367?pwd=VnIXcDITWjZIS2d0NE96dmVFeVB4dz09>  
ROC Ringers Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 A.M. Highway Clean-up on Route 250  
Youth to Ganondagan
- 11:00 A.M. Baby Shower in the Social Room

### Sunday, October 16

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. In the Sanctuary
- 3:00 P.M. Worship at Cherry Ridge
- 5:00 P.M. GS Troops 617 & 489 in the Memorial Room & Room 9/10