PALMETTO HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Celebrating Life in Christ
By Reaching Out and Building Up
For God's Kingdom and Glory

October 11th, 2026

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP** **Psalm *146

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;
on that very day his plans perish.

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord his God,
who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,
who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous.
The Lord watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
The Lord will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, to all generations.
Praise the Lord!

*Congregation Standing

***SONG OF EXALTATION** *All People That on Earth Do Dwell - #1*

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good,
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

***INVOCATION**

***SONG OF ADORATION** *Lord With Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee-#80*

Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise thee
for the bliss thy love bestows,
for the pard'ning grace that saves me,
and the peace that from it flows.
Help, O God, my weak endeavor;
this dull soul to rapture raise;
thou must light the flame, or never
can my love be warmed to praise.

Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee,
wretched wand'rer far astray;
found thee lost, and kindly brought thee
from the paths of death away.
Praise, with love's devoutest feeling,
him who saw thy guilt-born fear,
and, the light of hope revealing,
bade the blood-stained cross appear.
Praise thy Savior God that drew thee
to that cross, new life to give,
held a blood-sealed pardon to thee,
bade thee look to him and live.
praise the grace whose threats alarmed thee,
roused thee from thy fatal ease;
praise the grace whose promise warmed thee,
praise the grace that whispered peace.

Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling
vainly would my lips express;
low before thy footstool kneeling,
deign thy suppliant's pray'r to bless.
Let thy love, my soul's chief treasure,
love's pure flame within me raise;
and, since words can never measure,
let my life show forth thy praise.

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO CONFESSION *James 1:19-21*

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

PASTORAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND SUPPLICATION

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.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON *I John 1:5-10*

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

SONG OF ASSURANCE** ***Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Ending
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

CORPORATE PROFESSION OF FAITH** ***Gal. 5:1, 13-15 & 2 Cor. 3:17-18

"For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another." "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit."

*SONG OF APPROACH *Chosen as His Children*

Chosen by the Father's mercy,
Set apart to serve His Son,
Sanctified by His own Spirit—
Praise the Holy Three in One!
Saved by resurrection power,
Shielded in His faithful love;
Now, no enemy can tarnish
My inheritance above!

Refrain:
I'm born again!
I'm God's own chosen child of mercy!
Born again! What love and grace!
Father keep me walking worthy
Till I look upon Your face

Led by wisdom into suff'ring,
Grieved by many trials below,
Yet rejoicing in His purpose,
That my faith as gold may glow.
Granted faith for overcoming, What
salvation God will bring!

Filled with love for Christ unseen;
Even angels cannot fathom
Fixed upon this hope completely,
As obedient children fear;
For the Holy One who called you
Purchased you with blood so dear.
Born anew from seed eternal,
By His lovingkindness spurred,
Lay aside all tasteless yearnings—
Crave the true and living Word!

Built on Christ, the sure foundation,
We are free from guilt and shame;
He is fitting us together
As a house to praise His name!
We are chosen as God's people,
Called from darkness into light;
O what mercy now entreats us
To proclaim His glories bright!

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavn'ly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON *1 Peter 2:13-25*

13 Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, 14 or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. 15 For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. 16 Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. 17 Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.**18** Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. 19 For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. 20 For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. 21 For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. 22 He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth.23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. 24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. 25 For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Living Hope Freedom

1. Living Hope Freedom in Subjection

2. Living Hope Freedom in Suffering

3. Living Hope Freedom in Sanctification

Small Group Questions

How is the Christian view of freedom fundamentally different then our culture's definition?

What is one area of your life where God is challenging you to more fully embrace "Living Hope Freedom" in subjection rather than self-assertion?

When you are misunderstood, treated unfairly, or hurt by others, what are some of your natural responses? How does Jesus' example in 1 Peter 2:21-23 encourage and challenge the way we handle suffering and conflict?

What is one sinful attitude or pattern in your life that you need to put to death? What is a specific area where you want to intentionally pursue righteousness and holiness this week as you follow Christ?

*SONG OF RESPONSE

The Power of the Cross

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through Your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

*BENEDICTION

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CHURCH LEADERSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Memory Verse	1 Peter 2:9-10 - "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 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."
Piedmont Women's Center	Piedmont Women's Center needs help supplying new moms with baby bundles. If you are able to assist, please purchase any of the following new items and bring to the church drop box in the foyer through Oct. 25: Sleepers & onesies for girls (sizes NB to 9 months), bibs, burp cloths, baby towels & wash cloths, crib sheets.
Save the Date	Nov 11th: Operation Christmas Child box packing party. Oct. 17th: Women's Ministry Bonfire. See Wed. email for sign up.
OCC Collection October	This month is the shipping fund drive. 9$ Donation per box to ship. Place your donations in the OCC box in the foyer. P.S. OCC is no longer accepting Soaps, liquids or food items.

WEEKLY SERVICE ROTATION

	October 11th	October 18th	October 25th
Infant Nursery	Marlo M. & Ashley R.	Meg E. & Eliana R.	Michael & Abbie M.
Toddler Nursery	Chase & Lauren H.	Bill & Allene D.	Mike & Melissa O.
SS Nursery	Laura Beth B.	Julie W.	Laura Beth B.
Deacon on Duty	Perry E.	David B.	
Sound Room			Tom B.
Refreshments	Keith & Donna P.	Craig & Mary T.	Allene D. & Cathy H.

THIS WEEK AT PHPC

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Oct. 12th	Oct 13th	Oct 14th	Oct 15th	Oct. 16th	Oct 17th	Oct.18th
	Women's bible study 9:30am *Men's Bible Study 10am*	*Youth and Adult Discipleship 6pm*			*Women's Ministry Bonfire*	*HUB outreach deadline*

GIVING AND ATTENDANCE

Last Week's Giving	Last Week's Budget	Fiscal YTD Giving	Fiscal YTD Budget	Last Week's Attendance
$14,839	$12,047	$149,201	$168,661	155

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