



## Latrobe Presbyterian Church

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*Loving Christ, Welcoming All*

## REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 27, 2024

11:00 am - Main St.

### GATHERING

*Prayer Request Cards (blue) are inside the Pew Card Holder. The ushers will collect the request cards before the Prelude. The **bold print** invites the people to read aloud and/or sing. An asterisk \* invites the people to stand. Please sign the register in the pew pads.*

#### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Rev. Skip Noftzger

*2 Thess. 3:18*

#### PRELUDE

#### RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 9:1-2)

Lector, Ed McKinnon

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart; we will tell of all your wonderful deeds. **All: We will be glad and exult in you; we will sing praise to your name, O Most High**

#### PRAYER FOR THE DAY

.....one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

#### \*HYMN 450 Be Thou My Vision

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we come before you, burdened by brokenness; in our failures to love you and neighbor, we have neglected the needs of those around us and ignored the cries of the stranger. Too often, we have been blinded by our own desires such that we have not responded to your call of faith. We have sinned both in what we have done and what we have left undone to you and for others. Jesus, in your grace and presence, we can be reconciled to you and one another. We rejoice in the chance to begin again, re-formed into a caring people of faith, that by your Spirit we might be witnesses of your love and hope. Amen**  
*(Silent Confession)*

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) Eb (G) Ab (D/F#) Eb/G (A7) Bb7 (D) Eb

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;  
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) Bb (D) Eb (G) Ab (A) Bb

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) Ab (D) Eb (F#m7) Gm7 (G) Ab (A) Bb

thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;  
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) Eb/G (G) Ab (D) Eb

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.  
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

**\*GLORY TO THE FATHER – HYMNAL 581**

**\*THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.** (*Greet one another with the words, "Peace be with you."*)

CHILDREN'S TIME

**WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM READING

Psalm 34:1-8

Lector

Hal H. Hopson

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Psalm reading. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics "I will bless the Lord at all times; God's" are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with similar note values. The lyrics "praise shall al-ways be on my lips." are written below the second staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:46-52

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O, Christ.**

NEW TESTAMENT

Hebrews 7:23-28

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

SERMON

Rev. Skip Noftzger

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN 792 There Is a Balm in Gilead**

## There Is a Balm in Gilead 792

*Refrain*

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;

*Fine*

there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

1 Some-times I feel dis-cour-aged, and think my work's in vain, but  
 2 Don't ev - er feel dis-cour-aged, for Je-sus is your friend, and  
 3 If you can-not preach like Pe - ter, if you can-not pray like Paul, you can

*to Refrain*

then the Ho-ly Spir - it re-vives my soul a - gain.      There is a  
 if you lack for knowl-edge, he'll not re-fuse to lend.      There is a  
 tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."      There is a

This African American spiritual offers a long-delayed answer to the prophet Jeremiah's question, "Is there no balm in Gilead?" (Jeremiah 8:22). No earthly remedy can compare with the healing that comes from a sense of God's presence; nothing else can heal "the sin-sick soul."

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(Traditional-page 35 before Hymn #1)*

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 arose 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.

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Skip Noftzger, First Fruits

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liz McBroom

....Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

....and so with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray.

**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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

David A. White

Chancel Choir

Words to Hymn 475

**\*DOXOLOGY - 606**

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 726 Will You Come and Follow Me**  
**The Summons**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMNAL 568**

POSTLUDE

# 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

## The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C



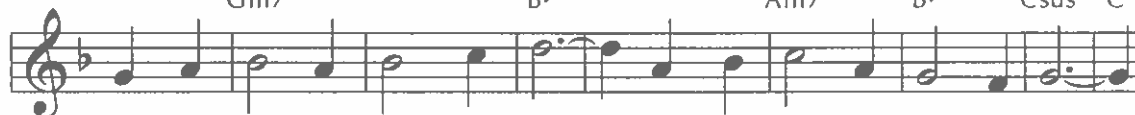
1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?  
 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?  
 3 "Will you let the blind-ed see if I but call your name?  
 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus)(A)  
 Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> Am7 B<sup>b</sup> Csus C



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

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The **flowers** this morning are to the  
**Glory of God**

Greeters this morning are: - **Diana Kreiling, Elder and Breanna Carini, Deacon.**



**USHERS** serving you this morning are: **Team V – Deborah Irwin, Captain, Marge Buerger, Lisa McCracken, Pat Speedy.**

Today, we welcome **Rev. Skip Noftzger** to our pulpit. Rev. Noftzger is the Executive Presbyter of the Redstone Presbytery.

Leading us in the **Prayers of the People** today is one of our Deacons. The prayers of the people is where holy worship and our needy world come together. All of today's cash offering not in envelopes will support the **Deacon's Ministry** among us and the community. Checks made at any time to the church with the memo "Deacons" also support the Deacon's Special Services Fund.

Next Sunday, November 3, is **All Saints' Sunday**. We will be honoring our saints who have passed from last All Saints' Sunday through November 2. Following the worship service the Worship and Music Committee invites everyone to the Vogelsang Room for the All Saints Tea.

The Worship and Music Committee is continuing the **Giving Thanks at Thanksgiving** by accepting donations for the Westmoreland Food Bank on November 10th, 17th, and 24th. Please bring items to the front of the Sanctuary. See the November newsletter for information to guide your donations.



Please mark your calendars for LPC's turn with the **Meals on Wheels** program from November 11 through 15. See the sign-up sheets for daily needed items.

LPC members who were photographed in September by Universal Church Directories photographers, as well as everyone who submitted a photo for the book, will receive a **2024 Church Directory** (one per household). The cost for an additional directory is \$9 if picked up at the church and \$12 if mailed. If you would like to order an additional directory, please notify Ed and Nancy McKinnon or Arlene in the Church Office no later than November 3.

### WEEKLY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**Tuesday 10/28**  
7:00 pm ..... AAAnon

**Wednesday 10/30**  
..... No Wednesday Morning Bible Study  
4:00 pm ..... WOW

**Thursday 10/31**  
6:15 pm ..... Men's Bible Study  
6:30 pm ..... Belles  
7:30 pm ..... Chancel Choir

**Sunday 11/3 All Saints' Sunday**  
9:30 am ..... Adult Sunday School  
9:45 am ..... Children's Sunday School  
11:00 am ..... Worship with Communion  
..... All Saints' Tea following Worship



For on-line giving, open smart phone camera, hold over symbol, follow prompts.