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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 5, 2025 - 8:30 & 11:00 AM

God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.—2 Corinthians 9:8

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude Adagio (from Concerto in A Minor) JS Bach/Vivaldi

Choral Introit 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reins Above

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

We gather for worship to celebrate our gifts.

**We celebrate the gifts we give to this church,
the pledges we make for the upcoming year.**

We gather for worship to celebrate our community.

**We celebrate the love and support we give to one another,
the constant quest we are on to be united by God's grace.**

We gather for worship to celebrate our future.

**We celebrate a future full of outreach, a future full of service,
a future full of worship, and a future full of growth.
We celebrate a future with hope.**

We gather for worship to celebrate our visions.

**We celebrate the visions of those who have come before us,
the visions that brought us to where we are,
and the visions that we see for the future.**

Let us gather in celebration!

Let us worship God!

***Hymn 643** "Now Thank We All Our God"

Prayer of Confession (*responsive*)

God of grace, you have called us to give ourselves completely to you.
Yet, we often hold back part for worldly pursuits.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

You have given us the gift of time. You give us time to serve, time to learn,
time to grow, time to share. We spend our time serving self.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

You provide us with opportunity to serve in numerous ways using the talents and abilities we have been given. We tend to hide our gifts.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

You have provided even the least among us with more financial resources than most of the world. We resist sharing because of fear for the future.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

You have provided us with a beautiful creation to enjoy. We take it for granted and abuse this incredible earth.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

O God, forgive our sins and create in us a clean heart so that we may serve you. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

***Congregational Response 582** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

Passing of the Peace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving & Special Offerings - Peace & Global Witness

Anthem

"Show Us How to Love"

Mark Miller

A Prayer for Children

Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Sermon

A Cheerful Giver

Byron Wade

***Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*)

The Nicene Creed

(*Hymnal*, p. 34)

***Hymn 525**

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, from "Mass for the Convents"

F. Couperin

***Hymn 694**

"Great God of Every Blessing"

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

"In Thee Is Gladness"

JS Bach

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Worship Notes: *The Call to Worship is by Sarah Weaver, and the Prayer of Confession is from the Ministry Council of the Cumberland Church.*

**We welcome to our pulpit the Rev. Dr. Byron Wade, General Presbyter
of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina.**

LITURGIST(S): Michael Shepard

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 168

FLOWERS: Given by Marty Zigovsky in memory
of Tillie Zigovsky

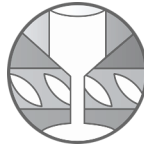
This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.



PC(USA)
June 10, 1983 -
our denomination



Presbytery of Western
North Carolina -
our regional leadership



More Light
Presbyterians -
LGBTQ+ affirming



an Earth Care
Congregation -
eco-stewardship



Fuente de Vida
Guatemala - global
partnership



a Matthew 25
Church - social
justice advocacy

SUNDAY - WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY, BANNED BOOKS WEEK BEGINS, & STEWARDSHIP MONTH BEGINS

8:30 SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:45 Learning Hour
10:30 Choir Rehearsal

11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

THURSDAY

9:30 Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal
11:00 Zoom: "Between the Lines" Book Group
3:30 Tai chi - private lesson time
4:00 Tai chi
4:00 Zoom: Finance Stewardship Ministry Mtg.
6:30 Cub Scouts

MONDAY

9:00 Finance Team
2:00 PW Coordinating Team
3:30 Tai chi - private lesson time
4:00 Tai chi
7:00 Zoom: Building & Grounds Ministry
7:30 "Enough: Plays to End Gun Violence"
(Hendersonville Theater)

FRIDAY

8:00 Toastmasters

SATURDAY

11:00 Memorial Service for Pat Dienst

TUESDAY - FOAM RECYCLING DAY

9:30 Staff Meeting
10:00 Coffee Group
4:00 Global Missions Ministry Mtg.
5:30 Circles Guiding Coalition Mtg.
6:00 PFLAG General Meeting

SUNDAY

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9:45 Learning Hour
10:30 Choir Rehearsal
11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP
12:15 Matthew 25 Ministry Mtg.
12:15 Choir Lunch
5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

WEDNESDAY - PRESBYTERIANS FOR EARTH CARE BIENNIAL CONFERENCE BEGINS (LITTLE ROCK, AK)

10:00 Esther Circle
10:30 Friends in Christ - Hybrid
4:00 Wise Women Network
5:30 Wed Night Live Dinner
6:30 Wed Night Live w/ Rev. Carol Cannon re: Banned Books
7:30 Choir Rehearsal

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PRAYERS, JOYS & CONCERNS: IN SYMPATHY:

Conrad Shannon upon the loss of his mother; Sally Kitts upon the loss of her husband Bob; **Hospital:** Brenda Nelson (Mission); Bella Ward (Steve & Esther Hider's friend) **Rehab/Nursing:** Ben Moore, Don & Sue Robinson (The Bridge); Nancy Twitchen (Care Partners); Willene Davis (Life Care); Ted Bechtel (Aston Park); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Art Wayboer (High Point); Nell Payne (Brooks-Howell); Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Jane Sugawara (Ohio); Jack Caylor (HHR); Don Widmayer (Florida); Julia Sellers (Durham); Jerry Miller (Indiana) **Home:** Steve Kuykendoll; Harry Petersen; Judi Johnson; Edward Clayton; Nancy Twitchen; Bob Miles; Kathy Orr (Neena Haskins' friend); Joe Stafford (Carole Ball's neighbor); Peter & Nancy Williard; Elizabeth (Strange's neighbor); David & Nancy Butler (Zigovsky friends); John Kostlevy; Evelyn Christensen (Mary Louise & Betty's sister); Donnie Thompson (Kuykendoll's nephew); T.K. Owens (Dolly's son); Evans Thibodeau; Kim & Jason Ball; Julee Gray (Kuykendoll's friend); Barbara Nichols; Alice McCullough **Others:** immigrants and those who are fearful or in hiding; our partners in Madagascar, Malawi, and Guatemala, our sister church Fuente de Vida, the people of Israel and Gaza, Lebanon, Yemen, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine and Russia, those harmed by gun violence and anti-LGBTQ+ legislation, and all who have suffered due to Hurricane Helene.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL GATHERING! Sat Oct 25. Trinity will host our Presbytery of Western North Carolina's annual PW meeting. Join us to meet participants from our sister churches. Registration forms on the table in the Narthex. Please register by Oct 11 at the latest! The fee is \$15 and lunch will be provided. See you then!

LUOPADS FOR MALAWI, 2025: 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in Trinity sewing room . If you can sew, cut, trace, iron, fold or count, you qualify for the Trinity Luopad team! All helping hands are welcome. See Vickie Hugger, Priscilla Karvonen or Esther Hider if you have any questions.

BANNED BOOKS WEEK ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER:

- **TODAY - Sun, Oct 5 - BANNED AUTHORS INTERVIEW VIDEOS** Listen to authors discuss how censorship of their works affects us all - in the Fellowship Hall during the Learning Hour.
- **Wed, Oct 8 - BANNED BOOKS WED NIGHT LIVE: 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Program** Join us to welcome Carol Cannon to speak about the kinds of books that are being challenged in the 2020's and how that has changed in the past ten years. She will also report how Henderson County Public Schools handles book challenges and share how recent action by the NC General Assembly may impact HCPS.

ENOUGH: PLAYS TO END GUN VIOLENCE: Mon, Oct 6 at 7:30 PM at Hendersonville Community Theater. Six one-act plays by teens, part of a nationwide competition, deal with issues like school shootings, domestic violence, and suicide. Tix at: hendersonvilletheatre.org/enough-october-6/ . Suggested donation \$10, but any amount appreciated. Sponsored by *Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense*.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- **Sun, Oct 19, 9:45AM - SAFE ZONES TRAINING w/ Josh Bledsoe of PFLAG** - How can we all become better allies with the LGBTQ community? Join this special Learning Hour Class
- **Sun, Oct 19, 1:00pm - PUMPKIN CARVING @ the Haskins' house.** BYOP (bring your own pumpkin!), carving tools, plus a side dish to share. Main dish provided. Happy Halloween!
- **Wed, Oct 22 - CIRCLES USA WED NIGHT LIVE: 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Program** - Join Paul Hugger to learn more about Matthew 25's initiative to open a new chapter of Circles USA here in Henderson County.
- **Sun, Oct 26, 3PM - TRUNK OR TREAT:** Many thanks to our friends and partners hosting this year's event at Mills River Presbyterian. Costumes, candy, and fall fun!