



How Can We All Get Along?

Summit Presbyterian Church

Connecting, Celebrating, Sharing, & Serving Together

September 13, 2026

11:00 am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

MEMORIAL BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Mark Swart

Approach God in reverence! Silence your spirit as the Prelude begins.

PRELUDE

Naomi Meyers

Lighting of the candles

INTROIT

Seek the Lord
Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Wendy Roy, Liturgist

Leader: Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

People: We come together because God has embraced us in our weakness and our strength.

Leader: Who are we to pass judgment on another's servant? To our own master we stand or fall.

People: By God's grace, we are made to stand.

Leader: Whether we live or whether we die, we belong to the Lord.

People: For Christ died and rose again so that he might be Lord of us all.

Leader: Let us worship the God who holds our lives, our breath, and our future.

People: Every knee shall bow and every tongue give praise to God. Let us worship in spirit and in truth!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

#71

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Wendy Roy, Liturgist

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Judge, we admit we have double standards. We seek forgiveness for ourselves but fail to forgive others. We seek relief for ourselves but fail to seek relief for others. We seek leniency for ourselves but fail to show that mercy to others. Forgive us, mighty God, and help us to forgive, showing others the same grace and mercy that you have generously shown to us....

Silent time for personal confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: People of God, hear and believe: God does not deal with us according to our sins, but according to God's own steadfast love for us. As far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our sins from us.

People: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

#734

*THE PEACE

Wendy Roy, Liturgist

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

People: And also with you.

Please take a moment to greet your neighbors with words of God's peace.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Claudio Otero

(Children 3 years through 5th grade may go to Summit Hour. Children are to be picked up by parent/guardian following morning worship in rooms 9 and 10.)

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep From Singing
Jeffrey Honore

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wendy Roy, Liturgist

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 50:15-21

Page 57

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 14:1-12

Page 1157

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

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WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*HYMN

Amazing Grace

#422

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32-33

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom
All Blessings Flow

#34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Wendy Roy, Liturgist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

ALL:“Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

*HYMN OF MISSION *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* #587

WE BEAR AND FOLLOW THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Mark Swart

*RESPONSE *Down to the River to Pray*
Sheldon Curry Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand in body or spirit

Philippians

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Sermon Series

September 20 | Philippians 1:21-30
What Is Your Story?

September 27 | Philippians 2:1-13
Are You Letting God Work in Your Life?

October 4 | Philippians 3:4b-14
What Are Your Goals?

October 11 | Philippians 4:1-9
Can We Have Peace in the Midst of Turmoil?

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This Week's Schedule

Sunday, September 13, 2026

8:30am Outdoor Worship

9:30am Sunday School

11am Worship

12:10pm Worship Team Meeting

12:15pm CAP Team Meeting

12:15pm Planning Team Meeting

12:15pm Fellowship Team Meeting

1pm Ghanaian Presbyterian Worship

Monday, September 14, 2026

6:30pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

6:30pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, September 16, 2026

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 17, 2026

8am ROMEO-Bob Evans

9:30am Thursday Bible Study

5:30-7pm Thursday Nights With Our God
(THWOG)

7pm Handbells Rehearsal

Saturday, September 19, 2026

8am Community Meal

Sunday, September 20, 2026

8:30am Outdoor Worship

9:30am Sunday School

11am Worship

1pm Ghanaian Presbyterian Worship

1-3pm Youth Group

4pm Baptism

5pm Session Meeting

Birthdays

September 14 Jim Dudek
Carol Matson

Anniversary

September 17, 1960 Merle and Bill Gerke

The flowers this week are given by Merle and Bill Gerke in celebration of our 66th Wedding Anniversary.



Women of The Bible

On September 13th, we will resume a class on *Twelve Women of the Bible*, led by Julia Dillon. In this twelve-session Bible study you will meet a group of women in the Bible whose lives teach us about ourselves and about who God is. Our group will open ourselves to the raw and revealing stories of frailties, struggles, brokenness, and victories of real women from both the Old and New Testaments. Please contact Brittlea Brown if you need a copy of the book. It is also available on Kindle.

Book of Acts

Join us Sunday, October 4th at 9:30am in classroom #7 as we begin a 26-week study on the *Book of Acts* by Gary Hamrick as we put ourselves in the place of those early believers being filled with the Holy Spirit...our goal being to better understand and appreciate the role and power of the Holy Spirit in our own lives. The format for the class will be a brief introduction of each day's material, then a video presentation, followed by time for discussion. For more information contact Ken Yealy: 540-220-0905 or at kenyealy@gmail.com

Weekly Announcements

Food For SERVE

SERVE has put out a plea as they are low on food and the need is high. If you are able to donate food in addition to our monthly items, check the list in the Missions Room (Classroom 6) to see some of the most needed items:

September: Peanut butter, jelly, and crackers. They are also in need of black beans, baked beans, canned corn, cereal, jelly, meal soups, and spaghetti sauce.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Thursday morning Bible Study will resume at 9:30am on September 10. We will use the book *Christianity and World Religions* by Adam Hamilton. Everyone is invited to join us as we explore other major religions to gain a better understanding of similarities and differences between Christianity and the faiths of some of our neighbors.

Community Meal

Community Meal meets Saturday September 19th. We can always use help -- drivers, cooks, meal packaging, bakers, etc. For more info contact Jennifer Clemmensen (703-217-4770) or the church office.



SUMMIT TRANSFORMATION 2026 CAPITAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you for your continued prayers and generosity toward our campaign! Hopefully, you are noticing all of the updates to the new and old narthex, bathrooms, family room, and the fellowship hall appliances. As we await decisions on next steps from Session 9/20, we will resume setting the building alarm as of Monday, September 14.



DONATIONS NEEDED
STAFFORD COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

September: Lysol wipes, Simple Green, and Clorox bleach

*donations can be dropped off in room 6

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Youth Activities

Are returning!!

Youth Group: September 6th

THWOG (Thursday Nights With Our God):

September 10th

Youth Sunday School: September 13th

Confirmation Class: September 27th



Come Make Music With Us!!

Choir: Wednesday 6:30pm

Handbells: Thursday 7pm

Welcome:

____ First-time guest ____ Returning guest

____ Member ____ Regular Attender

How did you hear about us?

Connect with us...

Share with us any information you would like so we might greet you.

Name

Phone

E-mail

Any other info:

Youth Volunteer Opportunities

Scan the QR code to sign up!!

