Cove Presbyterian Church

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost November 9, 2025

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rev. Linda Kurtz Burch

INTROIT

Cantate Domino

Pitoni, Psalm 149

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is just and kind, near to all who call.

Take courage, all you people,

for I am with you, says the Lord.

The Lord has made known God's victory; do not be quickly shaken or alarmed.

Take courage, all you people,

for I am with you, says the Lord.

Stand firm and hold fast

to the traditions that you were taught.

Take courage, all you people,

for I am with you, says the Lord.

And may our God who loved us and, through grace,

gave us eternal comfort and good hope,

comfort your hearts and strengthen them

in every good work and word.

Take courage, all you people, for I am with you, says the Lord.

HYMN 26

Earth and All Stars!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we come before you a broken people

in a broken world.

We confess we have ignored, yet again,

your assured presence.

We have forged our own paths

and charted our own waters.

In the name of independence we have ignored your aid, your comfort, and your peace.

We have called upon you in desperation

rather than recalling your mighty and faithful acts

in all times and places. Forgive us. You have been with us in exile and liberation; be with us even now.

A time for silent prayer

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Be assured: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Praise the Lord, and bless God's holy name forever.

RESPONSE, Hymn 583

Glory to God

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest; Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah.

WORD

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjello Gregorian chant

Prayer for Illumination

SCRIPTURE

Haggai I:1-15

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

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 rose 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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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.

SENDING

HYMN 74 When God Restored Our Common Life

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Thank you for your generous gifts to support God's work through Cove Church. We welcome your support online: www.covepresbyterianchurch.com/ways-to-give

Greg Govan's funeral service will be Friday, November 14, at 1:00 PM. The family will receive visitors following the service. A reception hosted by our friends at Olivet Presbyterian will also follow.

Join us next Sunday, November 16, at 3:00 PM for the installation of the Rev. Linda Kurtz Burch as our pastor. This is a service of the Presbytery of the James; worship leaders include Josh Andrzejewski, Les Dorland, Suzanne Riehl, and the Cove choir. A reception will follow!

Today's prayer of confession and assurance are from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Year C, Vol 2, edited by Kimberly Bracken Long.

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