



LAKE GROVE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Real. Active. Faith.

Partnering with Christ who transforms the world one life at a time



we
are the
church
together

AUGUST 23RD | 9:30 AM

SANCTUARY

Welcome to worship at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church! For four weeks starting August 16, we are exploring what it means to be the church together. The church is more than a building; it is the people of God, called together in Christ and sent into the world to share God's love in word and deed. Whether you are new or have been part of this church family for years, we are grateful you are here.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

**please stand if able*

Prelude

Romanza by Ralph Vaughn Williams

Welcome

Church Alive

*Call to Worship

One: There is one body and one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

All: **We are called together in Christ, bound by the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

One: God has given each of us gifts for the building up of the body.

All: **We come to worship, to be equipped for ministry, and to grow together in love.**

One: Let us speak the truth in love and seek the unity Christ gives.

All: **We are the church together. Come let us worship God!**

*Hymn 733

We All Are One in Mission

*Prayer of Adoration

Anthem *I Dream of a Church*

I dream of a church where everyone is welcome,

I dream of a place we all can call home.

I dream of a world where justice is flowing

With hope and peace growing, where God's will is done.

Make it so, make it so! We pray for that day, make it so.

We dream of a world where Love reigns among us

And your will is done, O God, make it so!

O God, fill our hearts to reach out in welcome,

Make us to see your vision once more.

Let's dream of a world where our hands are your hands,

We offer ourselves, O God, make it so.

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Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you call us to humility, gentleness, patience, and love, but we confess that we often choose pride, impatience, and division. We find ourselves clinging to our own preferences and comfort and overlooking the gifts of others. Forgive us.

Teach us to bear with one another in love, to recognize Christ at work in one another, and to use the gifts you have given us for the building up of the whole body. By your Spirit, make us one in Christ and help us grow together in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Sung Response Hymn 469

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

*Hymn 318

In Christ There is No East or West

Prayers of God's People & 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, for ever.
Amen.

Scripture

Ephesians 4:1-16 (CEB)

¹Therefore, as a prisoner for the Lord, I encourage you to live as people worthy of the call you received from God. ²Conduct yourselves with all humility, gentleness, and patience. Accept each other with love, ³and make an effort to preserve the unity of the Spirit with the peace that ties you together. ⁴You are one body and one spirit, just as God also called you in one hope. ⁵There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶and one God and Father of all, who is over all, through all, and in all.

⁷God has given his grace to each one of us measured out by the gift that is given by Christ. ⁸That's why scripture says, When he climbed up to the heights, he captured prisoners, and he gave gifts to people.

⁹What does the phrase "he climbed up" mean if it doesn't mean that he had first gone down into the lower regions, the earth? ¹⁰The one who went down is the same one who climbed up above all the heavens so that he might fill everything.

¹¹He gave some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers. ¹²His purpose was to equip God's people for the work of serving and building up the body of Christ ¹³until we all reach the unity of faith and knowledge of God's Son. God's goal is for us to become mature adults—to be fully grown, measured by the standard of the fullness of Christ. ¹⁴As a result, we aren't supposed to be infants any longer who can be tossed and blown around by every wind that comes from teaching with deceitful scheming and the tricks people play to deliberately mislead others. ¹⁵Instead, by speaking the truth with love, let's grow in every way into Christ, ¹⁶who is the head. The whole body grows from him, as it is joined and held together by all the supporting ligaments. The body makes itself grow in that it builds itself up with love as each one does its part.

Next week's passage: Acts 10:1-8, 23-44

Sermon

I am, You are, We are
Pastor Greg Allen-Pickett

The church is not a build - ing, the church is not a stee - ple, the
church is not a rest - ing place, the church is a peo - ple.
I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to - geth - er!
All who fol - low Je - sus, all a - round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er!

***Doxology**

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Offertory *Be Thou My Vision*

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***Hymn 306**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

***Benediction**

Postlude

Fanfare Postlude by Douglas Wagner

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preaching: Pastor Greg Allen-Pickett

Assisting: Pastor Susan Graham

Musicians: Susan Gage and Abby Sass, *duet*;
Eric Hamilton, *tuba*; Jeff Wood, *organ & piano*

A/V Production: Kyler Meckling, Torrey Richards

For pastoral and congregational care needs email
care@lakegrovepres.org, or leave a message in the Pastors'
voicemail box at 503-210-6062.

Let's connect! Join us in the Fellowship Hall for *Beanediction*, our coffee and fellowship ministry, after each service.

The **Deacon Food Pantry** needs the following food and toiletry items: **High-protein cereal, oatmeal (reg. and gluten-free), shelf-stable milk (regular, lactose-free, nut, soy, or rice), baking mix (regular & gluten-free), and toilet paper.** We are currently teaming up with Lake Oswego Hunger Fighters, who serve those in our community. Your generosity is making a difference. Thank you for doing what you can! *Our Deacon Pantry Drop box is located just off the Gathering Area in the hall near the coat rack.*

LGPCPrays

Prayer is the primary work of God's people. It is a vital connection to God where we can hear from, listen to, and respond to the Lord. Here are some ways you can pray this week...

Comfort for the family of **Larry Bowman** as they mourn his passing. A memorial will be held at Lake Grove on Saturday, August 29th at 3:00pm.

MissionPartners

Local: Presbyterian Urban Network - As we end our partnership with this ministry, please continue to pray for the small inner-city congregations of "PUN". We are praising God for the work that has been completed over the years and pray for God's blessing on these congregations as they enter a new chapter.

Salvation Army West Women and Children's Shelter - Please pray for each family that enters this shelter, that they can use this time to find a way forward. Also, pray for the staff that they may overcome illness and find joy and purpose in their work.

If you would like to receive or be included on the weekly churchwide prayer chain, please email: prayer@lakegrovepres.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS



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Join a Lake Grove Choir for the 2026-2027 Season!

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR AND COVENANT BELL CHOIR
ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS! FOR MORE INFO
OR TO JOIN, EMAIL MUSIC@LAKEGROVEPRES.ORG



Join a Youth Choir for the 2026-2027 Season!

WE HAVE CHOIRS FOR SINGERS OF ALL AGES

 **Joy Choir** AGE 4 - 1ST GRADE
REHEARSES WEDNESDAYS 4-4:45PM

 **Hope Choir** 2ND - 5TH GRADE
REHEARSES WEDNESDAYS 4-5PM

 **Peace Choir** 6TH - 12TH GRADE
REHEARSES SUNDAYS 10:45-11:45AM

REGISTER HERE



BIKE RODEO

AUGUST 29 | 10AM-12PM | CHURCH PARKING LOT

Decorating Station! Bike Course! Cotton Candy!
Snow Cones! Popcorn! Crafts!...and more!
Bring your bikes, scooters, anything with wheels!

NAVIGATING AS WE AGE

CHANGES AND CHOICES
A COMPREHENSIVE 10-CLASS COURSE

Designed to empower attendees and
their families with essential guidance
on legal, financial, and health decisions.

THURSDAYS STARTING SEPTEMBER 10TH
1-2:30 PM | COURTYARD ROOM
FEE: \$125, INCLUDES MATERIALS



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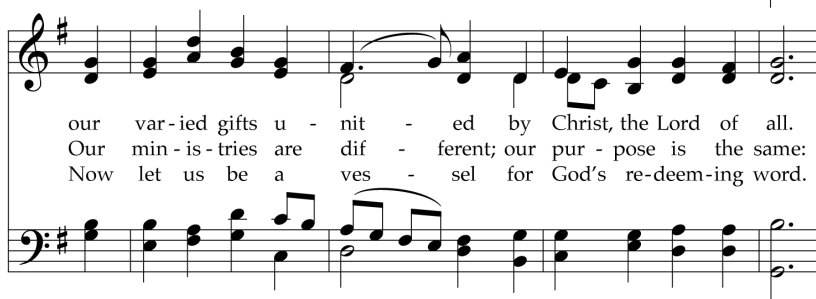
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733 We All Are One in Mission



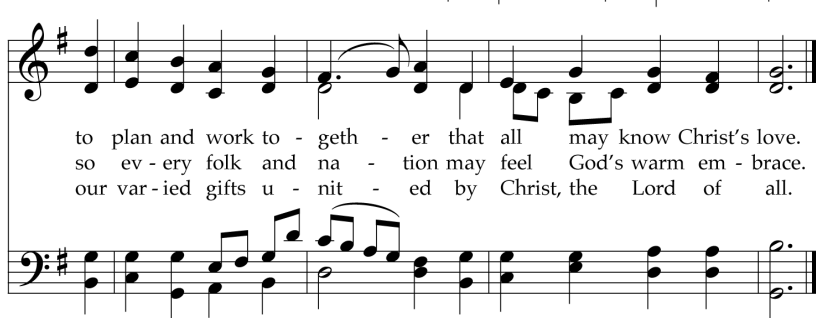
1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2 We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing word.



A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.

In Christ There Is No East or West 318

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in

him no south or north, but one great fel - low -
 high com - mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
 e'er your race may be. All chil - dren of the
 him meet south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

This text formed a very small part of an elaborate Christian missionary pageant in the early 20th century, yet it has endured while the grander aspects of that production have faded away. It is set to a simple 19th-century tune that does not get in the way of its message.

TEXT: John Oxenham, 1908, alt.
 MUSIC: Alexander Robert Reinagle, 1836

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 (alternate tune: MC KEE, 317)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

TEXT: John Fawcett, 1782
 MUSIC: Johann Georg Nägeli, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

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