

MORNING WORSHIP

August 9, 2026

Half past Ten O' Clock

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

arr. Anna Page

CHORAL INTROIT

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

CWM RHONDDA

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 19

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the skies proclaim the work of God's hands.

People: Open our eyes, O God, that we may recognize You in our midst.

Leader: Day speaks to day, and night reveals knowledge to night.

There is no place where God's witness is not heard.

People: Help us recognize You - in creation, in our neighbors, and in the ordinary moments of our lives.

Leader: The teaching of the Lord revives the soul; the ways of God enlighten the eyes.

People: Give us eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts ready to recognize Your presence.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God whose glory surrounds us.

**All: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to You, O Lord,
our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

+*HYMN 726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

KELVINGROVE

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Lord, we seek You in our daily lives, but we do so with preconceptions and with hopes and expectations
that fit our own imaginations. We fail to see You in both the ordinary and the extraordinary that falls
outside our experience. Help us to see where You are at work and among the people You call us to serve.
Call us to greater faithfulness to Your purpose for our lives and our church. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The good news is that Jesus came to surprise us with love and service, to forgive us and show us a
better way. In Jesus Christ we are reconciled to God and one another.

People: Thanks be to God!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR KENSINGTON BROOKS CAMPION

Zach Houston, Assisting Elder

+Invitation to Baptism

The Meaning of Baptism

Questions to the Parents and Congregation

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

Prayer and the Act of Baptism
Greeting a Child of God

Leader: Kensington Brooks Campion is now identified as a child of God in Christ's Church. Through Baptism God has put His seal upon Kensington to share with us all the benefits of Christ's sacrifice. Let us be supportive of Andrew and Briana as they nurture Kensington and assist her to be a faithful disciple.

People: **With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Kensington into Christ's Church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of God's love with you, and to celebrate with you God's unfolding blessings.**

*HYMN 488

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

WATERLIFE

**I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
I'll be there in case you wander off and find where demons dwell.
When you found the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living God, to whom you now belong.
Should you find someone to share your time and join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.
In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.
I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.**

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Immediately following the Baptism, children age four through second grade are invited to Children's Chapel.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 14:22-33, pew Bible p.892

SERMON

"Missing Jesus"

Brian Daoust

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Text to Give

704-734-9818

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"O How Amiable"

arr. Ralph Vaughn Williams

*DOXOLOGY (HYMN 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Lord, take these gifts we offer to serve the most vulnerable among us. Help us to show up like You did to the people most in need, trusting You to be among us when we do. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 451

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

OPEN MY EYES

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“Lead On, O King Eternal!”

LANCASHIRE

*POSTLUDE

Fanfare on “O, For a Thousand Tongues”

arr. Charles Callahan

*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshippers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Selwyn Avenue is glad you are with us this morning. We welcome all visitors, celebrating God's creativity in human diversity. We'd like to stay in touch with you! Please take a moment to fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. Please ask an usher if you need help locating the nursery, restrooms, changing tables, or large print hymnals.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church). New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

WORSHIP BAGS FOR 4 YRS. - 5TH GRADE Age-appropriate activities for readers and non-readers to encourage their participation in following along in worship are available in the narthex. Please return the bag to the basket after worship.

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