



PRESERVICE Josh Hornig

WELCOME

MENUETTO FROM SONATA NO. 18 OPUS 31, NO. 3 L.V. Beethoven **PRELUDE**

Introit

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Gather us in, Lord, and hear our prayers.

We come in need for healing and hope.

Gather us in, Lord, and heal our spirits.

We come seeking guidance and strength.

Gather us in, Lord, and open our hearts to receive your word.

Open our souls to comprehend your word and follow you faithfully. AMEN.

† HYMN #63 THE LORD IS GOD **AZMON**

† CALL TO CONFESSION

† Prayer of Confession

(silent prayer)

Lord, sometimes we wonder if we can even be your disciples. We are easily overwhelmed by what we see in the world. In the chaos around us and in the world at large, we give in to the impression that you are not in control. We surrender to the idea that we cannot do anything to improve the world around us. The enormity of the problems paralyzes us, making us want to look the other way and focus on taking care of only ourselves. Forgive us. Help us remember that you call us to see it all and acknowledge that you are Lord of the universe still. You are present and powerful. You desire that we step out of our comfort zones and move toward those in need to bring hope and healing in your name.

† Assurance of Forgiveness

God's love is reaching out to you, and to your neighbor, to bring healing to your wounds and hope to your soul. Return to the Lord with joy and gladness!

Sing a song of deliverance!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

† RESPONSE OF PRAISE #399

GOD WELCOMES ALL

THEMBA AMEN

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;

God's love is strong and it never ends

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN Sarah Grace Stanley

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Louise Payne

GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 22:34-40 **PG. 25 NT**

Tom Long and Allen Pote Samaritan Song ANTHEM

LUKE 10:25-37 PG. 71-72 NT GOSPEL LESSON

THE MAN IN THE DITCH Rev. Terri Wetherell SERMON

† HYMN #762 WHEN THE POOR ONES EL CAMINO

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Confession of 1967

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as his reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation. It shares his labor of healing the divisions which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles by faithful obedience to his call. The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as man involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to humankind commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to the sufferings of all so that the face of Christ is seen in the faces of every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on man's inhumanity to man and the awful consequences of its 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.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Invitation to Offering and Prayer of Dedication

OFFERTORY THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET

by Michael Smith arr. Hugh Knight

† Doxology #606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

...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.

† Hymn #761

CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE

BEECHER

- **†** Charge and Benediction
- † RESPONSE

† Postlude

† Passing the Peace

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Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

WELSH FOLK MELODY arr. Hugh Knight

WE OFFER SPECIAL THANKS FOR THOSE HELPING TO LEAD WORSHIP TODAY:

Preservice: Josh Hornig Andrea Quinn

Lay Reader: Louise Payne

Youth Choir: Directed by Barbara Manaker

Children's Time: Sarah Grace Stanley

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CALENDAR

Sun, Oct 19	9:45am 9:50am 10:15am	Sunday School Coffee Fellowship Cherub Choir Worship HS Youth Group	Wed, Oct 22	3:00pm 5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm	MS Bible Study @ Chick-fil-a Music Lessons Children & Youth Choirs Women's Bible Study Folly HV Boys Basketball Practice Handbell Choir Chancel Choir
Mon, Oct. 20		Finance Committee Women's Bible Study		•	
	3:00pm	Music Lessons	Thur, Oct 23	8:00pm	Sober Thursday AA
Tues, Oct. 21	3:00pm	HV Girls Basketball Practice	Fri, Oct 24	•	Fall Festival Seabreeze AA
			Sat, Oct 25	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
	8:00pm		Sun, Oct 26	9:45am 9:50am 10:15am	Sunday School Coffee Fellowship Cherub Choir Worship MS Youth Group

WORSHIP

<u>WELCOME TO JIPC!</u> We're so glad you've joined us for worship today. Whether you're a first-time visitor or a longtime member, we welcome you with open hearts. If you have any questions about our church, worship, ministries, or how to get connected, please don't hesitate to ask a greeter, usher, or staff member — Welcome!

Join Us Next Week For Worship! We invite you to gather with us next Sunday for worship as we explore Luke 10:38-42. Come be encouraged by the Word and the fellowship of believers as we grow together in faith.

<u>Chancel Flowers</u> are given by the Stewart Family to Carol Stewart in honor of her Birthday! Happy Birthday, Carol from your family!

<u>THE 2025 & 2026 FLOWER CALENDAR IS OPEN</u>: You can commission flowers in honor or memory of loved ones and the Flower Guild will put together a beautiful arrangement. The requested donation is \$75. To sign up to give flowers, please scan the QR code or call the church office (843)795-3111.



<u>HELP THE FLOWER GUILD!</u> If you've taken home **commissioned flowers**, we ask that you return the vases when you're able. This helps the Flower Guild reuse supplies and avoid the cost of buying new ones. Thank you so much for your support!

Nursery is available for children 3 & under and is in the gym building. Care is available for children, 5k and below, after Children's Time. Children will be escorted from worship for supervised care for the remainder of worship. We need adult & high school youth volunteers each week to assist the nursery staff. Contact Sarah Grace to sign up to help.

NURTURE

<u>THE YOUTH FUNDRAISER WAS A SUCCESS!</u> THE MS & HS Youth Groups thank everyone who donated to the Fundraiser. We raised over \$2,500 and all the donations will support our youth programs and future trips! Missed the luncheon and want to contribute? Scan the QR code to donate and support our youth! (**Choose Youth Donations** among the giving categories)



UPCOMING CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMMING:

- Sunday School: 9am All children ages 3-12th grade, class list is in the C&Y Enews
- Mid-Week Youth Bible Study: 7am @ CFA HS Tuesday & MS Wednesday
- High School Youth Group: Oct. 19 at 6pm
- Fall Festival: Oct. 24 6-8pm
- Middle School Youth Group: Oct. 26 at 6pm

Please use links in the weekly C&Y Enews or contact Sarah Grace, <u>sarahgrace@jamesislandpc.org</u>, for more information.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH are invited to an exciting weekend of worship, learning, and connection with middle school youth from across our presbytery! This retreat is a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith, build friendships, and enjoy the beauty of Bethelwoods. November 7-9. Cost is \$150 per student. If you are interested, please fill out form by scanning the QR code Oct. 24.



<u>FALL FESTIVAL</u>: Mark your Calendars, Friday Oct 24 from 6pm – 8pm for JIPC and JIPF first Fall Festival collaboration! Dress Up for Trunk or Treat, Jump Castles, Pumpkin Painting, Hayrides, Silent Auction, Balloon Art, and FREE DINNER!! Join the Fun!!

<u>THIS YEAR'S ADVENT THEME IS OUR FAMILY TREE</u>. If you are interested in participating in the advent devotional by sharing your family traditions, memory, recipe or carol, please send them to <u>sarahgrace@jamesislandpc.org</u> by Nov 3. You can also sign up by scanning the QR code. We are looking for 25 families to participate.



<u>Prayer Requests</u>: Please offer prayers for the following: Family of Beth Robertson, Jeannette Wilson, Anne Christy, Dottie Coleman; Andrea Quinn's parents, Rocio & Terry Kemper; Pedro Pollorena's mother, Xochila; Laquetta "Quetta" Fludd; Colton Browder; Barbara Coombs; Rose Holmes; Turner, Grant, & James Byers; Karen Williams; Peggy Hill & family; Ann & Rah Rah Smith; Milo Fuller; Al Oswald; Suzie Steed's mother; and Mary Beth Meggett's cousin, Matt Garcia.

MISSION

MEN'S CLOTHING DRIVE: JIPC is collecting men's warm clothing in October to help assist the John Island community of transient workers who mostly work outside. This includes gently used jackets, sweatshirts, long sleeve shirts, stocking caps, gloves, scarves, socks, and blankets. There will be a collection bin in the Narthex.

<u>CDL Drivers</u>: We are looking for anyone who has a CDL to drive students from Harborview and Stiles Point Elementary Schools to the after-school program here at James Island PC. Pay is \$500 a week. If you are, or if you know of someone looking for part time work, contact Louise Conway at louise@jamesislandpc.org.

<u>FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS</u>: We're the "Canned Pasta Church" for James Island Outreach! Drop donations in the baskets in the Narthex or by the Church Office. You can also donate non-perishable food at our Blessing Box in the west parking lot. Learn more: <u>www.chsblessingbox.org</u>.

STEWARDSHIP

EXCUSE THE MESS: As we continue to grow in our faith and in numbers, we are expanding our chancel area to welcome a new organ, make room for a growing choir, and provide flexibility in worship. God is doing some amazing things at JIPC. We are thankful to be on this journey with you!

<u>THANK YOU</u> for your tithes and offerings! You may also give online by scanning the QR code or by going to <u>www.jamesislandpc.org/make-a-donation/</u>. You can also Venmo (JIPC1). Please consider adding 2% to your gift to help cover fees that JIPC is charged.

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