

A scenic landscape featuring a gravel path on the right, a wooden fence with wire in the foreground, and a field of tall grasses. In the background, there are rolling hills and trees with autumn foliage in shades of yellow and orange. The sky is bright and hazy.

Let the  
words of my mouth,  
and the meditation  
of my heart, be acceptable  
in thy sight, O Lord,  
my strength,  
and my redeemer.

Psalm 19:14

Welcome To Hillcrest Presbyterian Church

# *A Service For The Worship Of God*

October 22, 2017

We give thanks that God has called us to worship together.

**\*Opening Hymn #473**

**For The Beauty Of The Earth**

## ***A Word of Welcome and Announcements***

### **Call To Worship**

(Exodus 33)

Leader: Lord, you have welcomed us, saying,

**People: "I know you by name, and you have found favor with me."**

Leader: Lord, you have promised us,

**People: "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."**

Leader: Lord, you have blessed us, saying,

**People: "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you."**

Leader: Lord, you have humbled us, saying,

**People: "I will proclaim my holy name in your presence."**

Leader: Lord, show us your glory! We worship you!

### **Affirmation Of Faith – Belhar Confession**

10.1 Revelation 21:6–7 We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done this since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

10.2 Matthew 28:19–20 We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, The communion of saints called from the entire human family.

10.3 Ephesians 2:13–20 We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;

Ephesians 4:11–16,  
Psalm 133

- that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;

John 17:20–23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted;</li> </ul>
John 13:34	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways;</li> </ul>
Colossians 3:12–16	*in that we love one another;
Philippians 2:1–5 *	that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another;
1 Corinthians 1:10–13	* that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;
Ephesians 4:1–6	* that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind;
1 Corinthians 10:16–17	* have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope;
Ephesians 3:18–20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ;</li> <li>* together are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity;</li> </ul>
Galatians 6:2	* together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ;
2 Corinthians 1:3–4	* that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another;
1 Corinthians 12:24b–28, Ephesians 3:14–20	* that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity;

1 Corinthians 12:4–11,  
Romans 12:3–8

• that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; that the variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God;

Galatians 3:27–29

• that true faith in Jesus Christ is the only condition for membership of this church;

**Hymn: HERE I AM to WORSHIP**

Light of the world,  
You step down into darkness  
Opened my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore  
you  
Hope of a life spent with you  
  
So here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
And You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me  
  
King of all days  
Oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly you came to the earth you  
created  
All for love's sake became poor  
  
Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy

**Maranatha! Music**

Altogether wonderful to me  
  
So Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
And You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me  
  
And I'll never know how much it cost  
to see my sin upon that cross  
And I'll never know how much it cost  
to see my sin upon that cross  
  
Here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me  
  
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Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me\*

## **Call To Confession**

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, trusting in the promise of forgiveness.

## **Prayer Of Confession**

Leader: The Lord reigns!

**People: Majestic God, do we tremble in awe before you in our worship?**  
[silence]

Leader: The Lord reigns!

**People: Worthy God, have we raised your name in praise in our speaking?**  
[silence]

Leader: The Lord reigns!

**People: Sovereign God, have we acted out your justice in our doing?**  
[silence]

Leader: The Lord reigns!

**People: Holy God, we bow before you with humble bodies, (heart, mind, soul). Forgive us. Cleanse us. Free us, that we may be your faithful children.**

Leader: In the strong name of Jesus Christ.

**People: Amen.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Christ. So we must consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God**

**\*Gloria Patri: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.***

## ***Passing The Peace Of Christ***

*Leader: As a forgiven people, let us share the peace of Christ  
The Peace Of Christ Be With You.*

***People: And Also With You.***

*Leader: Let us turn and greet one another*

## **Children's Message**

**Hymn #415**

**Come, Labor On**

## **Prayers Of The People and Lord's Prayer**

(You are invited to share out loud your prayer concerns and joys)

Leader: Lord in you mercy

**People: Hear our prayer.**

**Lord's Prayer (in unison)**

**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.**

**Prayer Response**

Hymn #325 Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Spirit divine, attend our prayers,  
And make this house your home;  
Descend with all your gracious powers;  
O come, great Spirit, come!

**Offering (let us present our Offerings, Tithes and Gifts to the Lord)**

Prayer of Dedication  
Offertory  
\*Doxology  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Choir**

**How Great is Our God**

**Scripture**

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Joan Gray

**Hymn: "All The People Said Amen"**

by Matt Maher

You are not alone, if you are lonely  
When you feel afraid, you're not the only  
We are all the same, in need of mercy  
To be forgiven and be free  
It's all you got to lean on  
But thank God it's all you need  
And all the people said Amen, whoa  
oh  
And all the people said Amen

Give thanks to the Lord for His love  
never ends  
And all the people said Amen  
If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter  
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after  
We're all broken but we're all in this together  
God knows we stumble and fall  
And He so loved the world He sent

His son to save us all

And all the people said Amen, whoa  
oh

And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love  
never ends

And all the people said Amen

Blessed are  
The poor in spirit who are torn apart  
Blessed are  
The persecuted and the pure in heart  
Blessed are  
The people hungry for another start  
For this is the Kingdom

The Kingdom of God

And all the people said Amen, whoa  
oh

And all the people said Amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love  
never ends

And all the people said Amen

And all the people said Amen, whoa  
oh  
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Give thanks to the Lord for His love  
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And all the people said Amen  
And all the people said Amen\*

### **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **\*Response**

May the love of God be all around us, all around us, everywhere we go.

May the grace of God shine down upon us, down upon us, and everyone we know.

This is our prayer as we leave this place with our hearts full of love and grace.

May the love of God be all around us, all around us, everywhere we go.

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\*=Those for whom it is comfortable are invited to stand

Rev. Jack Cormack  
Jennifer McCullough  
Jo Lynne Palmerton

Pastor  
Director of Music  
Pianist

### Ushers

Bill & Cindy Covey

Dan & Mary Wood

## Fellowship Hosts

Fred & Rae Jean Palmerton

## In Our Prayers

Our homebound: Harold Hiser, Gusta Zweerink, Wayne & Gladys Zweerink,

## Celebrating a Birthday

Lyla Robertson, October 22

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Congregational Care following Fellowship

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Choir 7:00pm

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Administration Committee 5:30pm

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Bean Supper & Game Night, 6:00pm

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Service of Remembrance  
Fifth Sunday Dinner

Van Driver: Jim Downing

Nursery: Jeremy & Heather Heslin

Sound: Garry Hill

Building Monitor: Randy Zweerink

### Ongoing Missions:

Food Pantry

Meals on Wheels

Rare Breed meals

Ronald McDonald House meals



### Food Pantry Needs

Almost all the items in the food pantry are extremely low. Please be mindful the next time you go to the grocery store and maybe add a couple items for the pantry to your cart.

October 29th we will be having a Fifth Sunday Dinner. The Property Committee will be hosting and serving meat casseroles and bread. Please bring a side or dessert.



## Trunk or Treat

Tuesday

October 31

5:00-7:00pm

Bring all your little ghosts and goblins to trunk or treat here at Hillcrest! We also need trunks! If you're interested in having a trunk please see Regina Ice.



Donations of individually wrapped candies are needed for Trunk or Treat. All donations are greatly appreciated!



### Ham and Beans and Games, Oh My! Friday, October 27th 6:00pm



Join us for a night of food and fun with your church family! We will be serving up ham and beans with cornbread for dinner and a round of games afterwards.



Don't miss this opportunity to gather together in fellowship and enjoy each other's company. Bring your appetite and your game face!

The 2017 Saints forms are for people that have passed on in the last year.

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