A CELEBRATION OF PRAISE TO THE FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT 8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

PRELUDE Trumpet Voluntaries on Easter Hymns Lasky/ Ashdown

Welcome & Announcements

Introit I Love You, Lord Laurie Klein

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118:26-27

Leader: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! **People:** We bless you from the house of the Lord.

Leader: The Lord is God,

People: And he has made his light to shine upon us.

*HYMN Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!

#320

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord of the Heavens. Your canopy is space; your dwelling is on high. You are the Lord of lords. And we are bound to this terrestrial sphere. Too often, we are akin to the king of Babylon declaring we will ascend to heaven above the stars of God. We esteem ourselves as worthy of praise; we fuss and fume when we don't get our way. We stage the lighting and the perception of our lives to elicit envy and desire. We create the charade to mask our weakness. Forgive us Lord. Help us to keep our feet on the ground and not to think too highly of ourselves. For you have ascended on high, and we remain to share the good news that we have been forgiven. We pray all this through your son Jesus Christ, Amen. (Silent Prayer)

*Assurance of Pardon

*GLORIA PATRI (all sing)

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.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

OLD TESTAMENTPsalm 68:18-20p.903HYMNO Jesus, I Have Promised#458NEW TESTAMENTLuke 24:50-53p.1644

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON The Ascension Rev. Dr. Ted Martin

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

The 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 sits 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Lift High the Cross

Lloyd Larson

Rev. Dr. Ted Martin

*Doxology (all sing)

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

THE SENDING

*HYMN I Know That My Redeemer Lives! #414

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE Introduction and Finale on 'Coronation' Michael Joseph



ORDER FOR 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME

Songs

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SONG

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:50-53 p.1644

SERMON The Ascension

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Adult & High School Sunday School at 9:30am - The Apostles' Creed

This study, which complements the sermon series, will help us to better understand each part of the Apostles' Creed and how it is derived from the Bible. Saying the creed need never be dull, confused or joyless again...

Adult discussion group on the 2nd & 4th Sundays from 6-7:30pm - The Art of Neighboring - What if Jesus meant that we should love our actual neighbors? Is it possible that the solution to our society's biggest issues has been right under our noses for the past two thousand years?

2nd Sunday Supper October 12, 5pm! Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship, good food and study opportunities. \$30/family; \$8/individual. We can't wait to see you there!

K2Kicks (for grades K-2) & Club345 (for grades 3-5) Tonight

2nd and 4th Sundays of each month from 6-7:30 p.m. Join us for an evening of fun. New friends are welcome!

Sunday Night Live (SNL) for Grades 6-8 and 9-12. Open Invitation to Middle and High School Students. 6-8:00 p.m.

Men's Shelter Meals-The 2025 sign-up sheet for Pleasant Valley Men's Shelter on the Information Desk in the Greeting Area. HPC serves the 3rd Saturday of each month. If you have any questions, please contact Eva Shaltes, evashaltes@gmail.com.

Chancel Flowers-We invite you to make a contribution of flowers this year. Please consider a Sunday (or two) when you would like to thank God and honor a special person or occasion with a gift of flowers. The cost of chancel flowers is \$32.00. You can add your name to the signup board located in the greeting area. Please contact Ginny Lamison with any questions.

Meal Ministry-The Deacons have started a meal program using the tall white freezer in the kitchen. These prepared meals are for your family and/or for a friend, neighbor, special care member, who may appreciate a meal. This could be someone recovering from a surgery to someone who finds themself tight on money. People are free to anonymously take a meal. Ingredients are posted for anyone with special dietary restrictions.

Friday Women's Bible Study from 10-11:30 a.m. For more information email Sissy Molnar, scmoln@zoominternet.net.

Friday Morning Men's Breakfast & Bible Study @ 7:00 a.m. at Bill Newbrander's house.

PRISM Annual Banquet at Monte Cello's on Babcock Blvd on October 16. There will be a buffet style Italian dinner followed by a presentation on being more effective at crossing cultural barriers in communicating the gospel. There is no charge for the meal although there will be an appeal at the end to support the work of PRISM. Preregistration is required as there is limited seating at Monte Cello's. Visit prismpgh.org/donor to register.

College Care Packages - Let's bless our college students this Fall! Please take a tag from the tree in the greeting area, purchase the item, and return it to the wooden bin by 4 pm on Sun, October 19. Any questions, please contact Amy Flanders at amyflanders@comcast.net.

Sunday October 26 - One service will take place at 9:30 a.m. followed by a reception in fellowship hall for Pastor Ted.

PROGRAM INFORMATION



Karen Shumaker, Director of Children & Family Ministry Karen@hamptonpresbyterian.net

HPC Nursery @ 8:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. for infants-3 yrs. Coordinator, Karen Shumaker

HPC Kids Sunday School @ 9:30 a.m.

Preschool -2nd | Room 306 3rd-5th | Room 307

HPC Children's Church in Room 306 (upon dismissal from Worship). Children's Church for ages 4 yrs.-2nd grade during 10:30 a.m. worship only.



Rev. Ryan Pixton, Associate Pastor ryan@hamptonpresbyterian.net

Middle & High School Students

- Sunday School for 6th & 7th Graders in Room 303 at 9:30 am.
- Confirmation Classes for 8th Graders @ 9:30 a.m. in Room 309
- Breakfast Connect on the 3rd Sunday at 9:30 am for youth
- Sunday Night Live (SNL) 6:00 8:00 p.m.

Hymn History

O Jesus, I Have Promised (ANGEL'S STORY)

"O Jesus, I Have Promised" was written by the Anglican cleric John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), with the accompanying hymn tune "ANGEL'S STORY" written by Arthur Henry Mann (1850-1929), organist and director of music at King's College Chapel, Cambridge, from 1876-1929 and founder of its renowned Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols since 1918.

The hymn's text, written by Bode for the Confirmation of his children in 1866, telling his children that "I have written a hymn concerning all the important truths I want you to remember." What a gift and a memorable message from a father to his children. 50 years later, the hymn had become so popular that it was considered overused. Church leaders were actually imploring their clergy that this hymn should not be sung at every Confirmation service. We are thankful that advice has not been strictly followed, as it has become one of the great hymns of discipleship.

The lyrics contain some wonderful contrast words: Master and Friend, Savior and Friend. And great prayers: give me grace to follow. O let me see Thy footprints, and in them plant mine own. O speak and make me listen. O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end.

Christmas Pageant Info & Sign-Up

All Kindergarten-5th graders are invited to participate in this year's Christmas Pageant. We'll rehearse on Mondays from 6:15-7:15pm starting on Nov 3. The Christmas Pageant will occur on 12/14 during the 8:30 & 10:30am worship services.

For more info, contact Karen Shumaker at karen@hamptonpresbyterian.net.

Sign-Up here





CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers have been given today by Jim Jones in Memory of our parents Joe and Lois McLain.

Counting Schedule for October 2025				
Oct. 12	Group 5	G. Lamison, A. Dawson, K. Downey, J. Mabold		
Oct. 19	Group 6	A. Bernett, M. Cadarette, J. Kibler, B. Bailey		
Oct. 26	Group 7	W. Metcalf, S. Downey, M. Zahorchak, P. Graebing		

CHURCH STAFF

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Sound Engineer	Dalton Green
Nursery Coordinator	Karen Shumaker
Director of Children's Center	Betsy Lanyard

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Christian Education Committee	Becky Parker
Congregational Life Committee	Aaron Bernett
Mission Committee	Wes Metcalf
Nominating Committee	Craig Hasley
Outreach Committee	Andrew Godlewski
Personnel Committee	Susan O'Donnell
Stewardship Committee	Bob Schmidt
Worship Committee	Amy Flanders
Deacons	Michelle Baumgartel
Trustees	Bill Bailey
Clerk of Session	Sissy Molnar

OCTOBER 12, 2025

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome! Please feel free to introduce yourself to those seated around you. If you are visiting, we hope today's worship service is meaningful and inspiring. Brochures detailing many of our ministries, services, and fellowship opportunities are available at the Information Center in the Greeting Area or you may log onto our web page at www.hamptonpresbyterian.net.

HPC Worship

WORSHIP AT 8:30 A.M. IN SANCTUARY.

NURSERY IS OPEN FOR INFANTS-3 YRS FROM 8:15-11:45 A.M.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES AT 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP AT 10:30 A.M. IN SANCTUARY.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH FOR 4 YRS.-2ND GRADE AFTER CHILDREN'S MOMENT (DISMISSAL FROM THE 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP.)

Online Service via our church's YouTube Channel available by Monday afternoon.

GROUNDED IN FAITH AND GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE ARE SENT AS FAITHFUL AMBASSADORS TO REFLECT THE HOPE OF SALVATION THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.