



Holly Presbyterian Church  
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost  
October 11, 2026

## Welcome and Announcements

**Pennies from Heaven** A voluntary small change offering for building projects.

### Prelude

**Julia Hull**

### \*Call to Worship

**Adapted from Psalm 50**

Rise up, O people of God, the mighty one, Lord of all, speaks and summons the earth.

**Lord you come and you do not keep silent. Before you is a refining fire. Storms of testing go before you.**

The heavens declare God's righteousness, God is the judge of all.

**There is nothing we can sacrifice before the Lord that does not already belong to him.**

Every wild beast and the cattle on a thousand hills already belong to God!

**We will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving.**

**\*Opening Hymn #694 "Great God of Every Blessing"**

### Call to Confession

**Adapted from Hebrews 12:6**

#### Prayer of Confession

**Lord, we must admit we like our stability. We've gotten used to what has been and aren't flexible about what you are doing now. Forgive us for our rigidity. Help us see what you are doing in our lives and in the world around us today. Fill us with hope for the new things you have planned in the years to come. We turn away from our desire for the same and embrace all you are doing and how we can participate in your work as you have called us.**

(please take time for silent personal confession)

#### Assurance of Pardon

**Amen!**

#### Prayer for Illumination

**Lord, be with us as we approach most holy ground. Some things about you are too great to peer into. Things we can only understand through faith. And things we will never truly understand. As we seek to know you more this morning through your word, give us eyes to see what we can, ears to**

hear what we can, but courage to live in mystery for that which is too high for us.

### **Scriptures**

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| <b>Old Testament</b> | <b>Genesis 42:1-25</b> | <b>Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 37-38</b> |
| <b>Old Testament</b> | <b>Genesis 43:1-15</b> | <b>Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 38-39</b> |
| <b>Old Testament</b> | <b>Genesis 44:1-13</b> | <b>Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 39-40</b> |

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon “Test of Change”**

**Rev. Chris Thomas**

**\*Hymn #649 “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”**

### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

### **Apostle’s 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 sitteth at 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!**

### **Offertory**

**\*Doxology Hymn #609 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Lord of our ancestors, you have blessed us beyond belief. We have more than most people have had throughout history. We live like Kings and Queens. May we be grateful for your many blessings. Take all that you have blessed us with and direct us in how to use it for your will. Bring your glory from our offering to you this morning. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn #697 “Take My Life”**

**Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Julia Hull**

**Assisting with worship today: Worship-Leader-Jim Lyles; Usher-Dessalee Cook;**

AV Setup-**Gerry Jackson**; Sound-**Gordie Bradshaw**.

### Announcements

The ladies went to see **Elizabeth Kici**. She is doing well. Left to right Dessalee Cook, **Elizabeth Kici**, Loretta Weiss and Jan Bradshaw.



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### Fall Workday



Thank you to all who came out for our Fall Work Day.  
-Randy Cook

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### Halloween Saturday Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>

Our Outreach for Halloween is passing out candy as well as serving popcorn, cider and providing a warm place to rest. Help is needed to set up should arrive between 5pm-5:30pm and 6pm – 8pm to pass out candy, popcorn and cider. We need candy and non candy treats to pass out. Please bring candy on Sunday all throughout October. October 25<sup>th</sup> is final day. Any questions, please contact Jim Lyles.





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## Wreath & Poinsettia Fundraiser

It's that time of the year again to think about poinsettias and wreaths. Sign up sheets are at the back of the church. Last day to order will be Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup>. Payment can be delayed

until December.

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### Mark your calendar

Sun Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Bible Study  
10:30am Coffee  
11:15am Worship  
12:15pm Property Team  
Fri Oct 16<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Baby Pantry  
Sun Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Coffee  
11:15am Worship  
12:15pm Worship Team

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### Congregational Care Team

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - haneline526@gmail.com or 248-894-3489.

### Prayer Concerns

(For a more complete prayer list visit <https://www/hollypc.org/>)



**Prayers of Peace and Comfort** for the families of **Mike Pelton** who recently passed away last month. (brother of Fran and Margaret) and **John Hull** who passed away last month. (husband of Julia, our pianist);

**Megan** (Betsy Stepanic's daughter) leg was broken in two places in a workplace accident, and she had to have surgery on it. Prayers for a swift recovery for Megan as she faces this challenge; **Beth** (Jim Lyles' sister) medical testing; **Zach Williams** (grandson of Cathie Killewald) who injured his leg and will require surgery with a long recovery; **Rick Perry** (Margaret's husband).

Ongoing prayers: **Brinley** age 3 with an autoimmune disorder; **Vicky** (Tom Schettling's sister-in-law); **Elizabeth Kici**; **Jennie and the Cook Family**; **Lori Vallance**; **Glynna Parker**; **Dale Huffman**; **James Teddy and Charly**.

Prayers for those suffering: for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, health issues, and/or addiction.

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### **Volunteers needed**

We appreciate all you do to help this church. Please check the sign-up sheets at the back of the sanctuary for coffee hour, worship, and the baby pantry to see where you could help.