

Welcome to Community in Christ, Presbyterian

September 13, 2026

Preparation Music

Musician Andy Bucior

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgist Cindy Bumgarner

The Call to Worship

God, we come as we are—troubled and weary, grateful and grumpy, nervy and scared. Move among us, stir in our midst, mute the distractions that clamor for our attention, until, by the tugging of your Spirit, we are led to the water of life to center on you. Make your presence known.

Call to Confession

Reverend Marcia M. Cham

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Please, do not weary of us, O God as yet again we open before you the dark places of our lives and seek the healing of your light. (Pause for a moment of reflection) O Physician of our souls, heal us of our self-inflicted wounds and use us as instruments in healing those we have wounded. Mercy us into humility and gratitude, restore our souls to singing, our hearts to loving and our hands to doing justice. Amen

Declaration of Forgiveness.

Response after Confession ***Precious Lord, take my hand, help me stand. I am tired. I am weak. I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord. Lead me home.***

Blessing of the Back Packs and Blessing of the Bears

Ms. Kevin and a Bear Rep.

The Lesson Exodus 14::9-31; 15:20—21

Cindy Bumgarner

The Word Expanded- What's in your Backpack?

Rev. Marcia M. Cham

Hymn- Be Not Afraid #243

Introduction to the Lord's Supper and Offering

The Lord's Supper

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn to go Forth “Companions on the Journey”

Benediction

Benediction Response Go now in peace. Go now in peace.

Andy Bucior

May the love of God surround you;

Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

“Companions on the Journey”

Refrain

*We are companions on the journey,
Breaking bread and sharing life;
And in the love we bear is the hope we share
for we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God.*

Verse 1 *No longer strangers to each other,
No longer strangers in God’s House;
We are fed and we are nourished
by the strength of those who care,
By the strength of those who care. **Refrain***

Verse 2 *We have been gifted each other,
And we are called by the Word of the Lord:
To act with justice, to love tenderly
And to walk humbly with our God,
To walk humbly with our God. **Refrain***

Verse 3 *We will seek and we shall find;
We will knock and the door will be opened;
We will ask and it shall be given
For we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God. **Refrain***

Verse 4 *We are made for the glory of our God,
For service in the name of Jesus,
To walk side by side with hope in our Hearts,
For we believe in the love of our God,
We believe in the love of our God. **Refrain***

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