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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time Shelby Presbyterian Church October 19, 2025 10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: "Come, Thou Almighty King" (Hayes/Wagner) Sherry Thomas

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Drew Mangione

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Luke 18:1-8)

June Hobbs

Jesus told a parable about praying always without losing heart.

The persistent widow begged the judge to hear her complaint.

The judge gave in, so then how much more will God listen to you?

O Lord, do not delay in your aid, but hear our prayers!

When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on this earth?

Let us pray, confess, and love, that our faithfulness will be found!

*HYMN #396: "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

CALL TO CONFESSION

June Hobbs

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Holy God, sin and death stoke fear in us, and we struggle to believe that you are with us. Lord, forgive us, and help us to remember that it is better to struggle in your loving embrace than to turn to the things of this world. Humble us to pray and trust in you. Help us to share your love with others, so that your love and presence will be made known to us and through us. Amen. (silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Sisters and brothers, believe the good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI (sung): 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.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

June Hobbs

The Peace of the Lord be with you! And also with you!

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Carol Ann Hoard

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Cooper Thomas Monroe Son of Angus and Ally Monroe Elder Molly Brownlee

Presentation

Baptismal Vows and Profession of Faith

Do you believe in God?

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving for the Waters

Baptism, Presentation of Symbols and Welcome

*BAPTISM HYMN #482: "Baptized in Water"

verses 1 & 3

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

June Hobbs

SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 31:27-34

ANTHEM: "Order My Steps" (Burleigh)

Chancel Choir

Order my steps in your Word, dear Lord, lead me, guide me, every day.

Send your anointing, Father, I pray.

Order my steps in your word, please, order my steps in your Word. Humbly I ask Thee, teach me your will, while You are working, help me be still. Tho' Satan is busy, God is real!

Order my steps in your Word, please, order my steps in your Word!

Order my steps in your Word, please, order my steps in your Word.

I want to walk worthy, my calling to fulfill.

Please order my steps, Lord, order my steps, and I'll do your blessed will.

The world is ever changing, but You are still the same.

If You order my steps, I'll praise your name.

Order my steps in your Word, order my tongue in your Word; Guide my feet in your Word, wash my heart in your Word.

Show me how to walk in your Word, show me how to talk in your Word.

When I need a brand-new song to sing, show me how to let your praises ring!

In Your word.

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 32:22-31

SERMON: "Keep on Wrestling with God"

*HYMN #415: "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (arr. Wolford) Emily Monroe

*DOXOLOGY (sung): **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN #451: "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Drew Mangione

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*CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Jeremiah 31"

Write it on our hearts, write it on our minds, your covenant made new through the love of Christ.

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: "Fanfare" (Buxtehude)

Emily Monroe

Music Licenses: 1575277 (CCLI)/ A-739540 (One License)

Sound Board: John Brotherton & Mike Jackson

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted.

Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices.

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ALL ARE WELCOME! If you are visiting with us this morning, please be sure to fill out one of our visitor/prayer request cards and put it in the offering plate as your gift. Don't worry, this is not for marketing. We just want to say hello and get to know you. **Is this your first time at SPC? Be sure to see an usher after the service and get a special gift!** If you have questions, ask a member, an usher, a pastor, or contact the church office Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00 and Friday, 9:00-12:00.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD & THE PRESBYTERIAN GIVING CATALOG

are two amazing ways to share Christmas joy around the world.

☐ Get your OCC shoebox by Ellis Hall and fill it with small toys, craft items, games, puzzles, picture books, school supplies, and hygiene items, or just donate these items, all by **Sunday, Oct. 26.** *Please, do not pack liquids, food, or war-related items.* See Debbie Hart for more details.

☐ The Giving Catalog lets you fund livestock, tools and training for farms, and clean water equipment! Go to pcusa.org/giving/giving-catalog/gifts to give and list Shelby Presbyterian Church as your congregation. For more details see the bulletin board outside the office.



OUR NEXT BLOOD DRIVE will be Tuesday, October 21st, from 1:00 - 5:30 p.m. at **CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.** If you would like to make an appointment to donate blood or would like to help with checkin, hospitality, or in some other way, please call Elizabeth Schweppe, 704-477-5686, or use one of the following links:

To make appointment: https://www.redcross.org/give-blood

To sign up to volunteer: https://bit.ly/SPCblood22

THIS WEEK (OCTOBER 19-25, 2025):

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Today	11:00 am	Handbell Rehearsal in Bell Room
	3:30 pm	Church Picnic at Larry & Kathy Wilson's
Monday	Newsletter Articles Due	
	11:30 am	Food Ministry at Harrill House
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 100 in Scout House
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall
Tuesday	10:30 am	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
	1:00 pm	Blood Drive at Central United Methodist
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Growing in Grace
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
Thursday	mq 00:8	AA/Al- Anon in Ellis Hall/Back Parlor





HAVE YOU MADE YOUR PLEDGE TO SPC? Last month, the Stewardship Task Force sent a letter and materials asking for your pledge to pray, serve, and give financially to SPC. What we give is a promise we make to God and to the present and future of our church. Please fill out your pledge, send your interest form, and put your prayer card in a prominent place at home. If you did not receive one, Miranda can send it to you. Your financial pledge of any amount is seen only by her, and the total of all pledges is used to help make next year's budget. As of October 16th, 17 families have pledged \$60,660.00. Last year 113 families pledged \$543,236.000. Thank you.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . .

Our prayers and sympathy go out to the family and friends of Joyce Couey, wife of Paul Couey, who passed away on October 13, 2025. Joyce had been a member of SPC for 36 years.

JoAnn Beattie, Kim Blackburn, Charlie Jo Botts, Sid Bridges, Robert Burns, JoAnn Callahan, Joe Carpenter, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Wade & Cindy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Randy Clark, Chip Cloninger, Rita Consolvo, Lou and Judy DuBois, Debbie Ferrell, Melton Gardner, Erin Hines, Kevin Jones, Chuck Laughlin, David LeGrand, Rhonda Lingerfelt, Frances Greer Malcolm, Brooke McCurry, Camille McGeachy, Samantha Moss, Pauline Persing, Graham Phifer, Ellen Poston, Jennifer Price, Clay Pruett, Tina Richardson, Lin and Blannie Robinson, Dot Roark, James Salvator, Theo Small, Larry Stern, Sharon Sundquist, Bill & Patty Thorne, Tiffany Timson, Amanda Warfield, Jackie Weathers, Jack Weller, Brenda Wilson, Teresa Wingo, Michelle Woodruff, our homeless neighbors; victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine and Gaza; all in military service and families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our sister church, Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; Christians worldwide who are persecuted for their faith.