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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Shelby Presbyterian Church August 10, 2025 10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" (arr. Smith) Sherry Thomas

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Drew Mangione

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 33:12-13, 18-22) Mystie Brotherton Those whose God is the Lord are on the right path! They are chosen. From the place where the Lord sits, our God observes all of humanity. Those who revere the Lord are truly seen by the Lord.

Our faith and our hope are in the Lord's steadfast love.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #23: "God You Spin the Whirling Planets"

(sung to tune of "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #611)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mystie Brotherton

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Holy Lord, our God, you hold the world in your hands, and you create, redeem, sustain, rule and transform all things and all of us by your love. Sadly, we are impatient. We doubt your love and we lay aside our faithfulness. We pursue idols, believing that our value comes from our power, popularity, and prosperity in this world. Yet, you never stop pursuing us with your love. Forgive us, Lord, and shine in our hearts a renewed light of faith. 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

Mystie Brotherton

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

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Carol Ann Hoard

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Julian Brown Son of Ben & Mallory Brown

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

Mystie Brotherton

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 15:1-6

ANTHEM: "Yes, My Jesus Loves Me" (McDonald)

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, my Jesus loves me!

Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gates to open wide!

He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in.

Jesus loves me! Loves me still, tho' I'm very weak and ill;

From his shining throne on high, comes to watch me where I lie.

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way;

He's prepared a home for me and someday his face I'll see.

SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 11:1-16 Drew Mangione

SERMON: "Faith Commitment"

*HYMN #817: "We Walk by Faith and Not By Sight"

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: "Pastorale" (Zipoli)

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 #331: "God of the Ages"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Drew Mangione

*CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Linked By Love" (Bryan, Hoard/arr. Moore)

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Annie Kate Brown

*POSTLUDE: "Festive March" (Davis)

Emily Monroe

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

Sound Board: John Brotherton & Joe Petrilli

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted. Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices. CHILDCARE is available for infants through preschool in the Nursery (Rm 102) and is staffed by Lilly Hamilton and Maggie Hohne. Please be sure your child is accompanied to the nursery by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

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.

THIS WEEK (AUGUST 10 - 16, 2025):



THE CHURCH OFFICE will be CLOSED MONDAY, AUGUST 11TH. Office will reopen Tuesday, August 12th at 9:00.

SUMMERFEST 2025: You are invited to Summerfest, a week-long spiritual 'Retreat for Retired and Semi-Retired Adults' from August 18-22 at Fort Caswell on the tip of Oak Island. This unforgettable experience is set up to refresh your soul and renew your spirit. Come experience God's peace and blessing in a setting that feels like a slice of heaven. For more information or to register contact Carol Ann. Cost is \$385 per person.

OUR NEXT BLOOD DRIVE will be Tuesday, August 19th, from 1:00 - 5:30 p.m. in Ellis Hall. If you would like to make an appointment to donate blood or would like to help with check-in, 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

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! The Shelby Presbyterian Church's Heritage Service, featuring the **Kirkin O' The Tartan**, will take place on Sunday, September 28, 2025. If you are interested in participating, please reach out to the church office or contact Mary Conner at (704) 300-1109, so we can ensure your involvement in the planning process.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES are due to Miranda (<u>miranda@shelbypres.org</u>) Monday, August 18th.



Cost: \$40 for Hoodies, \$35 for Crewnecks

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR SPC TARTAN SWEATSHIRTS?

Have you picked up your sweatshirt?

Have you paid for your sweatshirt?

Would you like to order a sweatshirt? Contact Miranda for pick up, payment, and orders. miranda@shelbypres.org **POINT ACADEMY:** This month, we are collecting school supplies to support Turning Point Academy as they begin their new school year! All of these much-needed items will go a long way to kick-start a successful year for the students and staff. These will be available to teachers to ensure their students have what they need to succeed in learning.

We are also collecting food items for the Backpack Ministry, where we send weekend food bags every week to Turning Point for students who are struggling with hunger and food insecurity at home.

Please bring your donations of these suggested items to the collection basket in the narthex on Sundays or put them in the collection box outside the church office during the week. Thank you in advance for your support and help for this important community partnership!

FOOD ITEMS: Oatmeal (individual serving packets), Macaroni & Cheese (individual serving cups), Granola bars, Sandwich crackers, Fruit Snacks SCHOOL SUPPLIES: loose leaf paper, composition books (not spiral bound), pencils, highlighters, dry erase markers, student incentive items (stickers, erasers, candy, etc.), hand sanitizer.

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

Our prayers and sympathy go out to Judy Wiggin and family in the passing of her sister, Jean Tesseneer on August 2, 2025.

Kim Blackburn, Sid Bridges, Robert Burns, JoAnn Callahan, Boyce Carpenter, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Randy Clark, Lou and Judy DuBois, Debbie Ferrell, Melton Gardner, family of Tim Hamrick, August Hohne, Kevin Jones, Chuck Laughlin, David LeGrand, Frances Greer Malcolm, Brooke McCurry, Yvonne Couey Miller, Pauline Persing, Graham Phifer, Ellen Poston, Clay Pruett, Tina Richardson, Lin and Blannie Robinson, Dot Roark, James Salvator, Larry Stern, Beverly Styers, Bill & Patty Thorne, Tiffany Timson, Amanda Warfield, Jackie Weathers, Jack Weller, 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; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians worldwide who are persecuted for their faith.