



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

Shelby Presbyterian Church
October 27, 2024
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: "A Mighty Fortress" (arr. G. Young) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Drew Mangione

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Deuteronomy 7:7-9) Tabatha Coker

The Lord did not choose Israel because they were a great nation.

The Lord loved Israel, even though they were few in number.

The Lord kept the covenant made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Let us remember that God is God, and the Lord our God is faithful.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #275 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

CALL TO CONFESSION Tabatha Coker

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Faithful God, you say that nothing can separate us from your love, but we struggle. You say we should not put our trust in mortals, but we place hope in the rulers of this world. You say your Kingdom is not from this world, but we are tempted to use any means necessary to gain power in this world. Forgive us Lord. Give us faith in your reign and hope for the resurrection to love as you love us. May your Kingdom be visible in how we love others, even our enemies, because you alone have won the only victory that matters, when you defeated sin and death for us on the cross. 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

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

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Carol Ann Hoard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tabatha Coker

FIRST SCRIPTURE: Psalm 146

SPECIAL MUSIC: *"The Kingdom of Jesus"* (The Porter's Gate) see insert
Bruce Moser & Sherry Thomas

SECOND SCRIPTURE: John 18:28-38a Drew Mangione

SERMON: "The Kingdom of Jesus"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: #756 *"O God of Every Nation"*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (from the Belhar Confession) **We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects, and cares for the Church through Word and Spirit. God has done this since the beginning of the world and will do it to the end. We believe in one, holy, universal Christian Church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. Amen.**

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: *"Morning Prayer"* (DeGeorge) 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: #839 *"Blessed Assurance"*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Drew Mangione

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Ruby Raudez

*POSTLUDE: *"Chorale Prelude on "A Mighty Fortress"* Emily Monroe
(arr. J. C. Bach)

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

Sound Board: Chip Blackley & 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. **CHILDCARE** is available each week for infants through preschool in the Nursery (Rm 102), staffed by Lilly Hamilton, Maggie Hohne, and Heather Johnson. In order to protect your children, please be sure they are accompanied to the nursery by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. Please take a moment to fill out the friendship pad in the pews. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member of our family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503. If you have questions about our hearing loop system, please call the church office Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. **After the service, all first-time visitors are invited to the back of the church where a church member will welcome you with a special gift.**

THE ROSEBUD is given in honor of Riley Shem Blackley born October 14, 2024. Riley is the son of David and Brie Blackley and little brother to Warren and Finn. Overjoyed grandparents are Fred and Nancy Blackley. Thanks and praise to God for this new life!

FALL FESTIVAL will be held in the Courtyard and Ellis Hall **TODAY** from 3:00 to 4:30, for all children through fifth grade.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD boxes are due TODAY.

ALL SAINTS' DAY: On Sunday, November 3rd, the names of all Shelby Presbyterian Church members and SPC member's children who have died since November 1, 2022 will be read during the worship service. **We remember:** George Beattie, Lucy Bolick, Dr. Dick Bowles, Dr. Dick Bowling, Barbara Dixon, Annelle Kelly, and Faye McCants.

LADIES OF SPC: Circle of Friends will meet in the private dining room at Pfeiffer's Café for lunch Thursday, November 21st at 11:00! If you can attend, please call or text Nancy Blackley at 704-692-8095.

COLLEGE STUDENTS' ADDRESSES: Parents, please send in your **student's current college address** so we can include them in our upcoming care package mailings! We want to make sure every student feels connected to our church family, no matter how far away they are. **We need them by November 17th. If we do not have the address, they will not get a box.**

THIS WEEK (OCTOBER 27 - NOVEMBER 2, 2024):

Today	11:00 am	Handbell Choir in Bell Room
	3:00 pm	Fall Festival in Courtyard and Ellis Hall
Monday	9:30 am	Food Ministry in Ellis Hall
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts in Scout House
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall
Tuesday	10:30 am	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Growing in Grace
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
Thursday	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall & AI-Anon in Back Parlor



ADVENT DEVOTIONAL: This year's devotional will continue our theme from Montreat by focusing on the names of the people mentioned in the nativity story. **Would you write a short devotional and/or prayer (just a paragraph or two) reflecting on one person in the nativity and the meaning of their name?** All you have to do is go to bit.ly/24AdventNames and sign up to make your contribution to our joint worship this Advent Season!

DID YOU MISS OUT ON TARTAN GEAR? The Kirkin' O' the Tartans sub-committee is preparing an order for more clothing made in our Shelby Presbyterian Tartan fabric. We still have ties available now, but already some have asked about ordering rosettes, scarves, sashes, and more. If you are interested, please email miranda@shelbypres.org and you will receive an order form to fill out.



**SPC
TARTAN
Sweatshirts**

We're selling SPC sweatshirts featuring authentic SPC tartan material!

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

Order Deadline: Nov. 17th

Get yours just in time for Christmas! 🎁

STEWARDSHIP SEASON: Your pledge to pray for, serve in, and give to your church will help us live into God's will in this exciting time. As of Thursday, October 24th, 61 families have pledged \$294,550.00. Thank you. If you have not submitted your pledge, please place it in the offering plate or turn it in to Miranda who holds them in confidence and provides aggregate totals to help prepare next year's budget. Last year 113 families pledged \$532,770.00. Thank you. – Stewardship Task Force

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

John Auten, Sue Breen, Sid Bridges, Allen Callahan, JoAnn Callahan, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Betty Clark, Randy Derwin Clark, Kay Clark-James, Debbie Ferrell, Ina Harrington, Tim Hamrick, August Hohne, Scot Horton, Andi Houser, Joan Hunt, Kevin Jones, Chuck Laughlin, Cheryl Lutz, Brooke McCurry, Nancy Minor, Lisa Perkins-Dodrill, Pauline Persing, Tommy Price, Clay Pruet, Susan Reed, Dot Roark, Larry Stern, Bill & Patty Thorne, Linda Ware, Jackie Weathers, Jack Weller, Stephanie Williams, Teresa Wingo, and our homeless neighbors; the victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine and Israel-Gaza; all in military service and their families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith.

"Kingdom of Jesus"

To what shall we compare the Kingdom of Jesus if not a seed?
It's small, it's sewn, it's tended and grown and it's sturdying you and me
Its branches never break and its fruit never withers

Chorus

His Kingdom is not of this world or of any kingdom
whose ruler's face is on a penny
He comes to make all things bright and put a new wine in us
He's chosen the small things to outlast the great
The meek and the merciful to shine through the hate
Though it seems some days that hell and its gates are prevailing
Oh say, can you see the kingdom within us is the Kingdom of Jesus?

Verse 2

To what shall we compare the spirit of the hour if not a sword?
It frees us, unites us, enslaves and divides us in violence, help us Lord

Chorus 2

His Kingdom is not of this world or of any kingdom
whose ruler's face is on a penny
He comes to make all things bright and put a new wine in us
He's chosen the small things to outlast the great
The meek and the merciful to shine through the hate
Though it seems some days that Hell and its gates are prevailing
Oh say, can't you see we have one allegiance? It's to the Kingdom of Jesus.

Bridge

He who is in us is greater than he who is in the world
He who is in us is greater and He's overcome the world

Chorus 3

Oh His Kingdom is not one of slander or rage
but one that is ruled by the Lamb who was slain
And He's worthy of wisdom and honor and glory and strength
No pain, no division, no public disgrace will compare with
seeing the smile on His face
As He welcomes us home as children with places at the table
Not death, nor threat, nor power can ever separate us
From the love of God forever in Christ Jesus
Everything shall pass away but not the Word that's within us,
No, it's the Kingdom of Jesus

