



Sewickley Presbyterian Church

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Order of Worship | The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6, 2026 | 10AM

Prelude

Introit

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

SPC Summer Choir

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Call to Worship

Psalms 57:9-10

One: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

Many: I will sing praises to you among the nations.

One: For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;

Many: Your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

All: Let us worship God!

Opening Music

Hymn #450 Be Thou My Vision

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Adapted From Eutaxia, 1855

Almighty and eternal Lord, we acknowledge and confess before you that we are sinners, prone to do evil. We have broken your laws and failed to obey your commands. O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn from our evil ways. Have compassion upon us, gracious God. Lord of all mercies, remove our guilt and grant us true repentance. May your Spirit produce the fruits of holiness and righteousness that are pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Confession Response

Gloria Patri

*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.*

Children's Time

*Children going into preschool through 3rd grade are invited to leave for Children's Church.

Offering

Gifts of thanksgiving can be made physically or digitally. More info at the back of the bulletin.

Offertory

Pater Noster

Emily Garcia, soprano and Paul Yeater, tenor

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Galatians 2:19-3:6

"For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!"

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified. I would like to learn just one thing from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard? Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh? Have you experienced so much in vain—if it really was in vain? So again I ask, does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard? So also Abraham "believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Words to Live By

Rev. G. Michael Creamer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

**All the bread is gluten free. The outer ring of cups in the juice trays contain wine.
The inner rings contain grape juice.*

Music during Communion

The Feast of Christ

SPC Summer Choir

Prayer

Closing Music

Hymn#69 Here I Am, Lord

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Today's flowers are given

**In Memory
of
My Brother,
Fred Thorne**

*By
Bud & Tris Anne Thorne*

Worship Participants

Sr. Pastor: Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport
Assoc. Pastor: Rev. G. Michael Creamer
Parish Assoc. Pastor: Rev. Barb Kennedy
Director of Music: Dr. Michael Hammer
Assistant Music Director: Rosie MacKenzie
Assistant Music Director of Choirs: Paul Yeater
SPC Summer Choir
Emily Garcia, soprano
Jonathan Wooding, organist
Ushers: Ann Shelton, Ollie Rea
Communion Servers: Suzanne Morrison,
Steven Victor, Gretchen Burnham,
Sandy Cooper, Laura Vassamillet, Bob Burnham
Tech Crew: Rici Brockinson, Matt Doebler
Peggy Breit

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE?

Thank you for visiting our church this morning. We'd love to reach out to you. Let us know you were here by putting your name and contact information in one of the pew pads. We welcome you to visit our website to learn more about ways you can take part in groups, classes, and events. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Sharon Barber (sbarber@sewickleypresby.org/412.741.4550).

Looking Ahead

September 7 - 12

Day on the Lawn

Prep Week and Day of Sale

September 12

Day on the Lawn

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Worship Musical Credits

Prelude: O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord
Opening Music: Be Thou My Vision,
Hymn #450
Gloria Patri, **Gloria Patri**
Offertory: Pater Noster, **Charles-Marie Widor**
Doxology
The Feast of Christ, **Donald Story**
Here I Am, Lord, **Hymn#69**
Postlude

PRAYER NEEDS

Prayers for Comfort

For Jenna Stevenson and her family on the death of her mother, Janice Martin.

Prayers for Presence and Healing

Rick Miller
Jim Morrissey

**Find a full Prayer List with updated continued prayer needs in the Thursday weekly church email.*



Your giving today helps make everything we do at SPC possible. It supports our ministers and staff, our outreach in the community and beyond, and the care of our historic sanctuary, classrooms, and Faith House. Thank you for being part of this work—every gift matters.

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday | 9 AM – 4 PM

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