



Sewickley Presbyterian Church

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Order of Worship | Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2026 11AM

Prelude

A Mighty Fortress

Introit

Jubilate Deo

Chamber Choir

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Many: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing;

One: Know that the Lord is God.

Many: It is he that made us, and we are the sheep of his pasture.

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Many: Give thanks to him, bless his name.

One: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

Many: And his faithfulness to all generations.

All: Let us worship God!

Opening Hymn

#275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

We will receive the 4th Sunday Hunger Offering during the singing of this hymn. The offering is meant to be sacrificial, above our regular giving. All proceeds will go to Center for Hope.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Adapted from Albinus Flaccus Alcuinus, 735, A Chain of Prayer Across the Ages, 1915

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts. Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil. Eternal power, be our support. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Have mercy upon us and grant us that with all our hearts, minds, and strength, we may evermore seek you. We have sinned against you and done evil in your sight. Strengthen our weakness, that following in the footsteps of your blessed Son, we may obtain mercy, and enter into your promised joy, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Redeemer. 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

Go forth with God!

Chamber Choir

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

Affirmation of Faith

From The Scots Confession, Chapter 1

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

Anthem

Joshua Fit da Battle of Jericho

Paul Yeater, tenor

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.

Responsive Hymn

#354 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Joshua 6:1-7

Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in.

Then the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in."

So Joshua son of Nun called the priests and said to them, "Take up the ark of the covenant of the Lord and have seven priests carry trumpets in front of it." And he ordered the army, "Advance! March around the city, with an armed guard going ahead of the ark of the Lord."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

March Around

Rev. Dr. Derek R. Davenport

Closing Hymn

#611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

March in F

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 of Choirs:
Paul Yeater, tenor
Congregational Choir
Chamber Choir
Acolyte: Addington Coates
Tech Crew: Dave Breit, Rici Brockinson
Peggy Breit

Credits

Prelude: A Mighty Fortress, **Michael Praetorius**
Introit: Jubilate Deo, **Dale Wood**
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, **Hymn #275**
Gloria Patri, **Gloria Patri**
Offertory: Go forth with God!, **Martin Shaw**
Doxology
Anthem: Joshua Fit da Battle of Jericho,
arr. Margaret Bonds
Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, **Hymn #611**
Postlude: March in F, **Alexandre Guilman**

Today's flowers are given

in Loving Memory of
Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Schmeltz
and Mr. & Mrs. Herman Lawrence

from
Ronald & Kathy Lawrence

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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

Thursday, October 29

Evergreens: Spooky Halloween Concert

1:00 PM

November 7 & 8

Campbell Stoner Weekend

Visit our website for complete details on events and groups that meet during the week: sewickleypresby.org

PRAYER NEEDS

Prayers for Presence and Healing

- Jean St. Germain (mother of Nathan St. Germain)
- Molly Howard

**You can find a full Prayer List with updated and continued prayer needs in the weekly church email on Thursdays.*



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