18th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM October 12th, 2025

¹¹ Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself. 2 Timothy 2:11-13

PRELUDE Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 96)

L: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

P: Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

L: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

P: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised!

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMNS "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 793

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, You have unlimited knowledge of all events and You know us even better than we know ourselves. Yet we confess that we often fail to trust Your divine wisdom and care. Forgive us for the times that we turn away from You. Remind us that You are the Lord our God, all-powerful, our eternal protector and compassionate guide. Help us to check our resistance to Your generosity and mercy towards us. Grant us, by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, the ability to trust You in a deeper manner. We pray this in Christ's Holy Name. Amen. (Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*CONFESSION RESPONSE: "Gloria Patri"

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*OFFERING RESPONSE:

"Doxology"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Leviticus 21:6-8

ANTHEM

"Before the Throne"

By: Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 4:14-5:10

SERMON

"Our Great High Priest"

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN

"The Power of the Cross"

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

*Those who are able please stand.

Ushers: Trustees

Trustees

Welcome Desk: Susan Mossgrove & Adalee

Liturgist: Barry Coley

Greeters: Autumn Moore

Fellowship Hour: Shelley Patrick

Childcare: Pam Greb

	THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR	
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship
-	11 AM	Sunday School
	6-8 PM	Youth Group
Monday:	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday:	12-5 PM	Blood Drive @ Meridian Firehall
•	1 PM	Quilting
	6:30 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
	6:30 PM	Choir
Saturday:	4-6 PM	Trunk or Treat

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL INTEREST</u>- Following worship today at 11:20, we will meet in the sanctuary to discuss the possibility of an adult Sunday school class.

TRUNK OR TREAT- Join us Saturday, Oct 18th from 4-6 PM for this community event.

CLUB 35- Will meet next Sun, Oct 19th from 12-2 PM for Pumpkinfest. Grades 3-5 all welcome.

<u>FISHBONE DINNER</u>- Volunteers and supplies are needed for our next Fishbone dinner, Sunday, November 2nd at 5 PM. There is a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Room.

<u>CHRONOLOGICALLY SUPERIOR DINNER</u>- We will be hosting a 55 and older dinner on Thursday, October 23rd at 5:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Sign up in the fellowship room.

SAVE THE DATE- Our annual congregational meeting will be Sun, Nov 9th at 11:15 AM.

<u>CHILI COOKOFF & TAILGATE-</u> Will be on Sunday, Nov 16th at noon following Sunday School. There is a signup sheet with more information in the fellowship room.

SHUT IN STOCKINGS- The Meridian Care Team will be collecting items for Christmas stockings for our congregations' shut ins through Dec 1st. There will be a box in Tim's office (near Parker Hall). Ideas include, dried fruit, candy, chips, tea bags, devotionals, slipper socks, chapstick, tissues, puzzle books, lotion, toothbrushes, etc.

<u>PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH</u>- During the month of October, we take time to recognize and honor the dedication and sacrifices our pastors and their families make in service to our church community. Boxes will be placed in the fellowship room outside the office to collect cards or notes of thanks for Pastor Steve and Pastor Mike if you would like to express your gratitude.

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