

**This Week at Gilead**

- Today, Sunday, October 4 **World Communion Sunday**
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
  - Please join us in the lounge after worship for coffee hour! For World Communion Sunday, we invite you to bring a snack or dessert from around the world to share. A card with the name of the dish and its country of origin would be appreciated!
  - Deacons will meet following worship.
- Monday, October 5
- 9:45 a.m. Big Food Pantry pick-up and delivery to church. Please see Leslie Palmieri if you can help!
  - 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class
  - 6:00 p.m. “On the Road to Empathy” adult Bible study on Zoom. All are welcome!
- Tuesday, October 6
- 11:00 a.m. “On the Road to Empathy” adult Bible study in the lounge. All are welcome!
- Wednesday, October 7
- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.
- Thursday, October 8
- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class
- Friday, October 9
- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry
- Sunday, October 11
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.

**Upcoming**

Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>- Stated Session meeting in the lounge, 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>- Church brunch in celebration of Mary Temple. More information to come!

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is All Saints’ Day. During worship, we will remember our loved ones who have returned home to Jesus this past year. Please email the name(s) of your loved one(s) who passed away since November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, to Rev. Summer by Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.

All bulletin announcements are due by Wednesday of each week to Mariah Warren at [gaelcat@comcast.net](mailto:gaelcat@comcast.net). Thank you!

Reminder: Sanctuary flowers can be ordered to celebrate or remember loved ones. We can order an arrangement for you (cost: \$40), or you may bring your own flowers. A sign-up chart and dedication forms are posted outside of the office.

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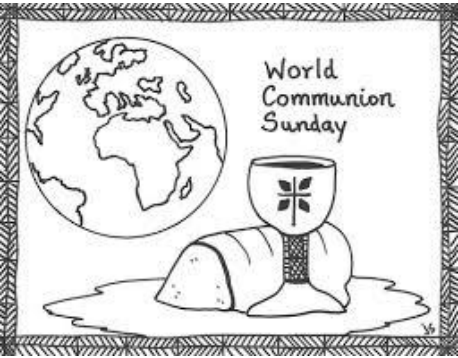
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**GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Convinced of God’s Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.**

**Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A; World Communion Sunday**

OPENING MUSIC Daniel Basiletti, piano

*During the opening music, let us quiet the noise from outside, cease our conversation with the world, and begin listening for the music of God’s voice.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Luke 13:29)*  
One: People will come from east and west,  
**All: from north and south,**  
One: and will eat in the kingdom of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God for welcoming us to the table.**

**\*PURPLE HYMNAL #515 “I Come with Joy” (v.1-3)**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER & INVITATION TO CONFESSION

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**  
**Gracious God, we are indebted to you and your generosity. But we fail to live as good stewards of all you have given us. We confiscate and consume far more than our fair share. We neglect the poor and trap people in poverty, claiming that debt forgiveness is unfair. God, liberate us from our spiritual and moral bondage. Free our world for Jubilee. Reorder our priorities so all your nations and peoples may thrive. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(2 Corinthians 5:17, Book of Common Worship)*

**\*THE GLORIA: Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, 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  
Leader: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM Gilead Singers with Daniel Basiletti, piano

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART  
*Following the Young at Heart time, children 4<sup>th</sup> grade and younger may leave for Sunday School.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION  
SCRIPTURE  
Jesus said, “Here’s another story. Listen closely. There was once a man, a wealthy farmer, who planted a vineyard. He fenced it, dug a winepress, put up a watchtower, then turned it over to the farmhands and went off on a trip. When it was time to harvest the grapes, he sent his servants back to collect his profits. The farmhands grabbed the first servant and beat him up. The next one they murdered. They threw stones at the third but he got away. The owner tried again, sending more servants. They got the same treatment. The owner was at the end of his rope. He decided to send his son. “Surely,” he thought, “they will respect my son.” But when the farmhands saw the son arrive, they rubbed their hands in greed. “This is the heir! Let’s kill him and have it all for ourselves.” They grabbed him, threw him out, and killed him. Now, when the owner of the vineyard arrives home from his trip, what do you think he will do to the farmhands?” “He’ll kill them—a rotten bunch, and good riddance,” they answered. “Then he’ll assign the vineyard to farmhands who will hand over the profits when it’s time.” Jesus said, “Right—and you can read it for yourselves in your Bibles: The stone the masons threw out is now the cornerstone. This is God’s work; we rub our eyes, we can hardly believe it! This is the way it is with you. God’s kingdom will be taken back from you and handed over to a people who will live out a kingdom life. Whoever stumbles on this Stone gets shattered; whoever the Stone falls on gets smashed.” When the religious leaders heard this story, they knew it was aimed at them. They wanted to arrest Jesus and put him in jail, but, intimidated by public opinion, they held back. Most people held him to be a prophet of God. *Matthew 21:33-46, The Message*

The word of God for the people of God.       **Thanks be to God.**

SERMONRev. Summer Sattora

**\*HYMN “O God, by Your Mercy, We Come to This Place” (v. 1-3, tune “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise)**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Nicene Creed*))  
**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLEPASTORAL PRAYER  
**CONG. RESPONSE (PURPLE HYMNAL #469) “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”**

THE OFFERING  
OFFERTORYGilead Singers with Daniel Basiletti, piano

**\*DOXOLOGY: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**  
**Holy God, bless these gifts for your good use. May these tokens of our gratitude be of service in liberating the poor, feeding the hungry, clothing and sheltering those struggling to survive. Use these gifts to further Christ’s mission and ministry in a hurting world. Amen.**

**\*COMMUNION HYMN       #525 Let Us Break Bread Together**

INVITATION TO GOD’S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING  
The Lord be with you.                       **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.                       **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.       **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith:               **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

LORD’S PRAYER  
Hear us now as we pray the prayer Jesus taught us, saying: **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD  
The gifts of God for the people of God.       **Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNIONCOMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**\*PURPLE HYMNAL #765 May the God of Hope Go with Us (sing in either language!)**

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION  
CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDEDaniel Basiletti, piano

*\*The congregation is invited to stand.   **BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings.*

*A special thank you to Daniel Basiletti for providing the music for today’s service.*

*Thank you to our Lay Reader today,  
and to our A/V team: Lexie Fischer, Stephanie Gould, and Evan & Robyn Steinberg.*

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