

Sr Pastor

Pastor Ruben Sernas

EldersBob Horton John Hrenko
Joe Mayberry**Deacons**Rick Adams Joe Graves
Gary Morgan Angelo Sica
Jim Swank**Financial Update as of 5.25.25**

May Giving	\$13,906
May Est Expenses	\$20,000
YTD Budget	\$178,202
YTD Giving	\$167,088
(YTD Deficit	(\$ 11,114)
<i>(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)</i>	

Attendance last Sunday

Worship Service 50

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

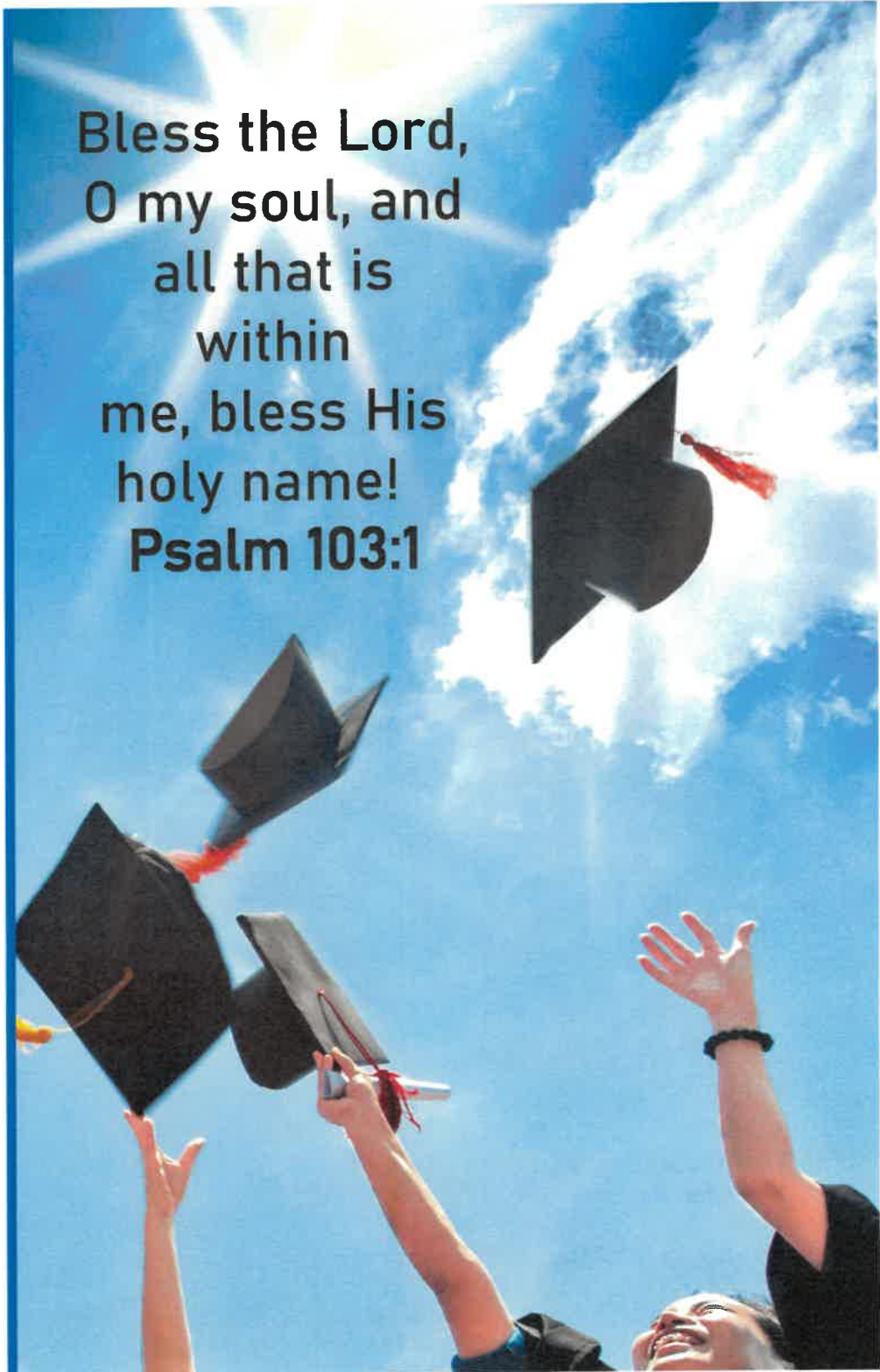
Bob & Connie Kirby
Carol Ling
Phyllis Loveless
Dennis & Gwen Lytle
Arlese, Layton & Owen Mast

This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers**Worship nursery:** Sophia Sernas + Katrina Hrenko**Jr Church:** _____ + _____**Next Sunday, 6/8****Worship nursery:** Sophia Sernas + _____**Jr Church:** Amy Forrest & Phyllis Loveless*A Reformed congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America***Heritage Presbyterian
Church****Sunday Worship****9:30 am****Sunday School****11:15 am****You may contact us at**Heritage Presbyterian Church
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Bless the Lord,
O my soul, and
all that is
within
me, bless His
holy name!
Psalm 103:1



June 1, 2025

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Deborah Adams
Pastor Ruben Sernas
Approaching God

Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-4 (ESV)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy...

***Song of Praise:** 10,000 Reasons

Prayer of Adoration

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, You have set Your love upon us and chosen us, but we find it hard to trust You and prefer to turn to our own wisdom and understanding. We stray from You and turn to our own ways. Lord Jesus, You never strayed from the path of obedience to Your Father, even when that path led You to a brutal cross and the mockery of those who should have worshiped and adored You. Holy Spirit, while we live in a fallen world with sinful hearts, we will always be prone to wander. Thank You for holding fast to us. Give us strong appetites for spiritual food. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Titus 3:3-7 (ESV)

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

***Song of Thanksgiving:** He Will Hold Me Fast

Delighting in God

Offering/Offertory: Genesis 14:20 (ESV)

... and blessed be God Most High who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

Prayer for our 2025 Graduate: Brianna DeShommes

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

*** Songs of Anticipation:** May I Have the Mind of Christ
Turn Your Eyes

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: Ephesians 5:1-14

Sermon "Children of Light versus Sons of Disobedience"
Pastor Ruben Sernas

Communion

*** Closing Song:** A Christian's Daily Prayer

*** Benediction**

*** All who are able, please stand**

After the Worship service, if you have a special prayer request or a question concerning the sermon or a question regarding eternal life with God, please come to one of the front pews, someone will be glad to speak with you.

Taking the Sermon Home With You 6/1/25

Ephesians 5:1 - 14 “Children of Light versus Sons of Disobedience”

I. First Point: Children of Light

a. Walk in Love

b. Reject Empty Words

c. Expose Works of Darkness

II. Second Point: Sons of Disobedience

a. Sexual Immorality

b. Foolish Talk

c. Idolatry

Questions for personal &/ or group discussion:

1. What does it mean to be an imitator of God?

2. Why is Christ described as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God?

3. Who has no inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ?

4. What does it mean to walk as children of light?

5. How do we expose the works of darkness?

The Lord's Supper

As we celebrate the Lord's Supper, it is important to understand what it means. In our church and our denomination (PCA - Presbyterian Church in America), our doctrinal standards are the Westminster Confession of Faith and Westminster Larger and Shorter Catechisms. These statements of faith are summaries of biblical teaching. I will use two questions and answers from the Westminster Shorter Catechism for our responsive reading. The minister will read the questions and the whole congregation will respond with the answers.

Minister - Q. 92. What is a sacrament?

Congregation - *A sacrament is a holy ordinance instituted by Christ; wherein, by sensible signs, Christ, and the benefits of the New Covenant, are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.*

Minister - Q. 96. What is the Lord's Supper?

Congregation - *The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, His death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of His body and blood, with all His benefits, to their spiritual nourishment, and growth in grace.*

Words of Institution: 1 Corinthians 11: 23 For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, “This is My body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.” 25 In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. 27 Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. 28 Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

Participants: Heritage Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone for salvation; who forsake their sin; and who are members in good standing of a Christian church which proclaims the Gospel and rightfully understands and administers the sacraments to receive communion with us. If this does not describe you, we respectfully ask that you would abstain from this meal.

Silent Prayer: Let us prepare our hearts before we partake of the Lord's Supper with a silent prayer.

Distribution of the Elements

Partaking of the Lord's Supper

BREAD: 1 Corinthians 11:23 “This is My body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Let us partake of the bread together.

WINE: 1 Corinthians 11:25 “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Let us partake together.

Prayer of Thanksgiving: We conclude our celebration of the Lord's Supper by offering a prayer of thanksgiving. Let us pray together:

Congregation - *Thank You, Lord Jesus, for dying for our sins. We are also grateful that by this sacred meal we have intensified our communion with You. We glorify You for this spiritual nourishment that we have received by faith. We praise You for our unity in Christ which we have expressed by this meal.*

In Christ's name, Amen.