Sr Pastor Pastor Ruben Sernas	Financial Update as of 6.29.25June Giving\$22,880	Olivit
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Deacons Rick Adams Joe Graves Gary Morgan Angelo Sica Jim Swank	<i>(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)</i> Attendance last Sunday Worship Service 66	

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

Ralph & Catherine Zinszer Rick & Debbie Adams Henry & Sandy Allicock Myrtle Anthony Ralph & Carol Baker

This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers

Worship nursery: _____ + _____ Jr Church: ____ + _____

Next Sunday, 7/13

Worship nursery: ______ + ____ Jr Church: Kristin & Katie Hrenko

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Heritage Presbyterian Church

Sunday Worship

9:30 am

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office@HeritagePCA.net www.HeritagePCA.net **Pastor Ruben Sernas** sernasruben@gmail.com 302-476-1844 Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! Psalm 118:1



July 6, 2025

Prelude Welcome & Announcements

Debbie Adams Pastor Sernas **Approaching God**

Call to Worship: Psalm 118:1-4 (ESV)

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

*Song of Praise: Forever Reign

Prayer of Adoration

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, It is Your will that we should love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and that we should love our neighbors as ourselves. We confess that our affection is turned away from You and others and toward ourselves. Lord Jesus, Thank You for loving Your enemies even as You were punished for their sins and tortured in their place. You showed tender love to the most evil and ungrateful people. Please forgive us for our many sins against You and our neighbors. Holy Spirit, grant us the grace to repent of our sinful ways. Cause us to cherish Your great mercy towards us and extend it to others. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Luke 23:32-38 (ESV)

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on His right and one on His left. And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide His garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at Him, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He is the Christ of God, His Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up and offering Him sour wine and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!" There was also an inscription over Him, "This is the King of the Jews."

Delighting in God

Offering/Offertory: 1 Timothy 6:17-18 (ESV)

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share,

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

* Songs of Anticipation: Mighty to Save Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: Genesis 2:18-25

Sermon "The Purposes of Marriage!"

Pastor Sernas

COMMUNION

* Closing Song: The Lord is My Salvation

* 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 You7/6/25Genesis 2:18-25"The Purposes of Marriage"

Companion

Questions for personal &/ or group discussion:

1. When God created creation, He said everything was good. However, what did He call "not good"?

2. What does it mean for husbands and wives to be companions?

3. What does it mean to be a helper? What are some biblical examples of helpers?

4. What are some concrete ways that husbands and wives can mutually help each other?

Children

Helper

5. Why should couples have children?

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: <u>1 Corinthians 11:25</u> "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.