

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 8.3.25**

August Giving	\$ 5,715
August Est Expenses	\$20,000
YTD Budget	\$223,895
YTD Giving	\$212,908
YTD Deficit	(\$10,987)
<i>(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)</i>	

Attendance last Sunday

Worship Service 44

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

Arlese, Layton & Owen Mast

Greg Mast

Joe & Lawanna Mayberry

Ray McDowell

Bo & Darlinda Moffett

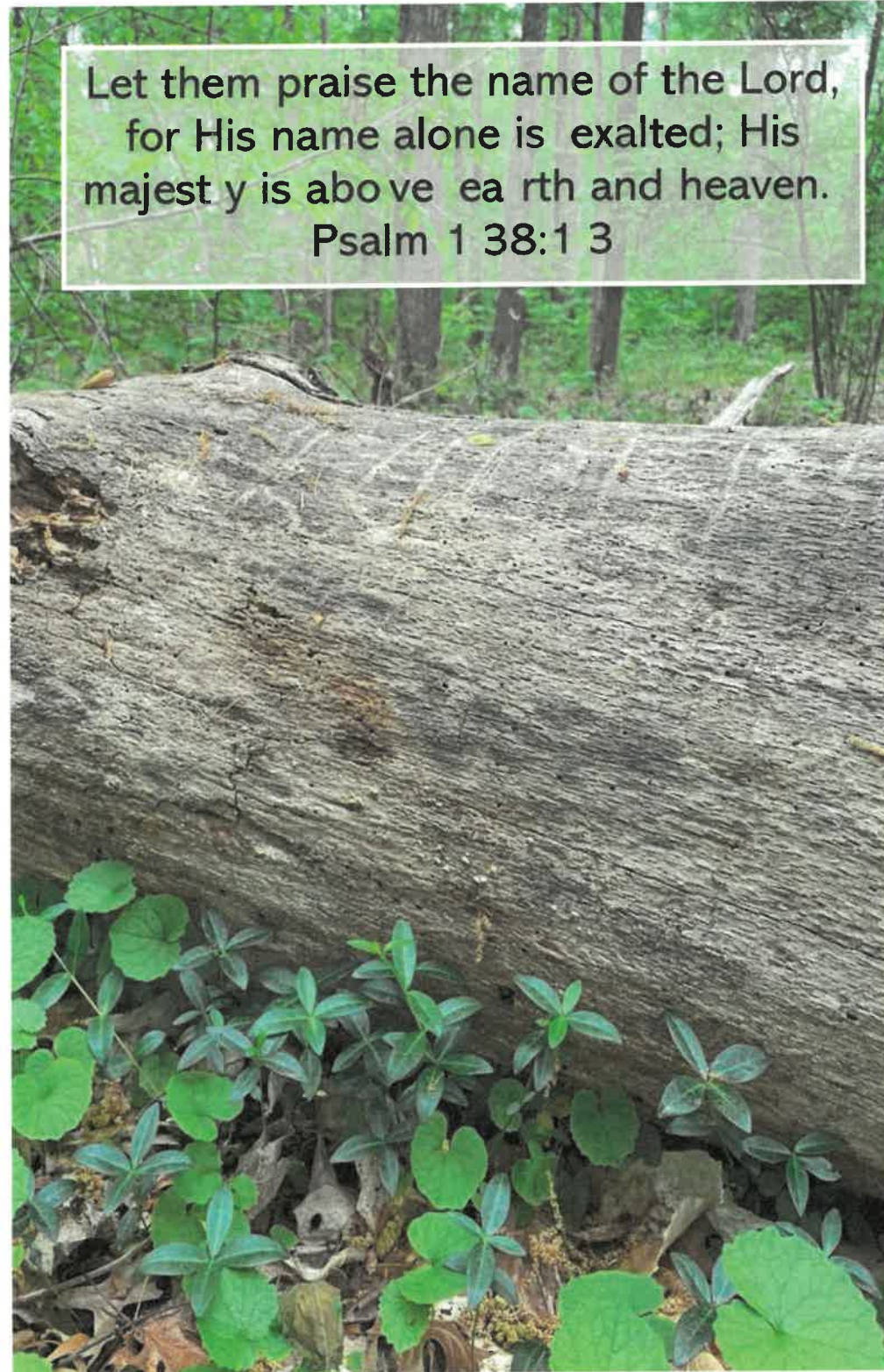
This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers**Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** Jean Sica & Betsy Swank**Next Sunday, 8/24****Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** Kristin & Katie Hrenko*A Reformed congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America***Heritage Presbyterian
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Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for His name alone is exalted; His
majesty is above earth and heaven.

Psalm 138:1-3



August 17, 2025

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Debbie Adams
Pastor Ruben Sernas
Approaching God

Call to Worship: Psalm 148:11-14 (ESV)

*Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise
the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above
earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His
saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the Lord!*

***Song of Praise:** Your Great Name We Praise

Prayer of Adoration

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, we crave approval, power, respect, and comfort, and are willing to sin frequently to get them. We have become enslaved to creation rather than living as faithful servants for our Creator. We live in bondage to hard taskmasters who leave us feeling empty, alone, and full of shame. Lord Jesus, You were tempted by Satan with earthly comfort, glory, and authority, but You trusted and obeyed Your Father instead. You endured poverty, shame, and a criminal's death on our behalf. You lovingly saved us, standing in our place as our great Substitute and Savior. Holy Spirit, would You grant us the gift of repentance so that we repent of our sins. Help us to despise the false security, comfort, and pleasure our sins offer, so that we might be devoted to You, in whom we find delight, fulfillment, and true rest. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Luke 4:1-13 (ESV)

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, He was hungry. The devil said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" And the devil took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to Him, "To You I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If you, then, will

worship me, it will all be yours." And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.'" And he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "'He will command His angels concerning you, to guard you,' and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time.

***Songs of Thanksgiving:** And Can It Be

Delighting in God

Offering/Offertory: Genesis 28:22(ESV)

*"...and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house.
And of all that you give me, I will give a full tenth to you."*

God's Kingdom Building: Great Exchange Church Plant, Newark

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

*** Songs of Anticipation:** O Lord, My Rock & My Redeemer
Waymaker

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: 1 Corinthians 7:1-40

Sermon "God & our Relationship Status" **Pastor Ruben Sernas**

*** Closing Song:** This is Our God

*** 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 8/17/25

1 Corinthians 7:1-40 "God and our Relationship Status"

I. Married Couples

II. Singles and Widows

III. Unbelieving Spouse

Questions for personal &/ or group discussion:

1. What was the Greco-Roman understanding of the body and soul in the first century?
2. What was the understanding of the Corinthian Church about marital sex?
3. Does everyone have the gift of celibacy? What are some advantages of being celibate?
4. If people are "burning with passion", what should they do?
5. What does our passage say about unbelieving spouses?