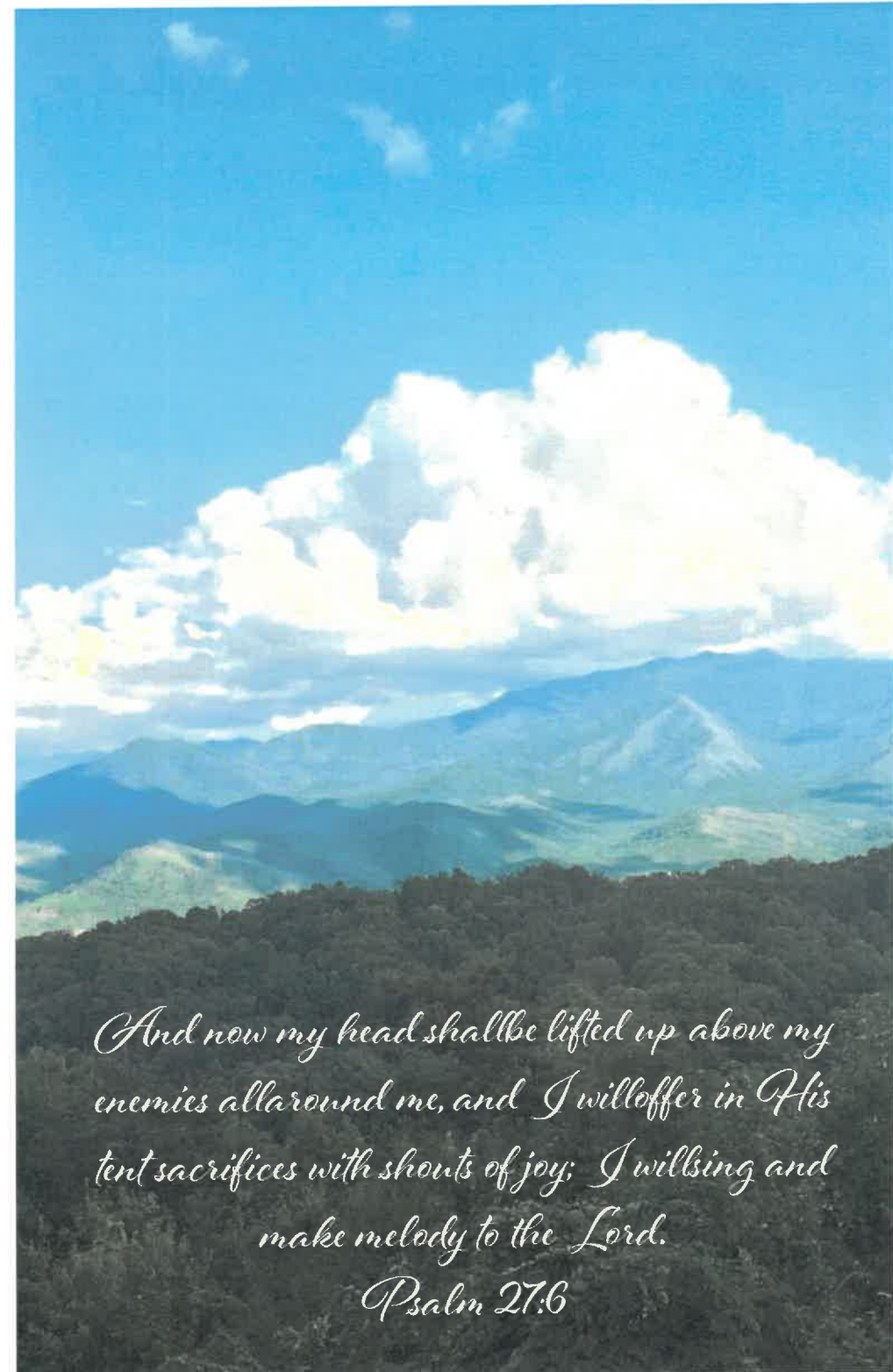


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Pastor Ruben Sernas

EldersBob Horton John Hrenko
Joe Mayberry**Deacons**Rick Adams Joe Graves
Gary Morgan Angelo Sica
Jim Swank**Financial Update as of 9.28.25**September Giving \$13,866
September Est Expenses \$20,000
YTD Budget \$18,533
YTD Giving \$13,866
(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)**Attendance last Sunday**Worship Service 64
Sunday School 44**Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:**Minnette Epote & Mbang Anyam
Sarita Farfam
Mark Foreman
Amy Forrest
Connie Glass**This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers****Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** Amy Forrest & Phyllis Loveless**Sunday School nursery:** _____ + _____**Next Sunday, 10/12****Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** John & Kristin Hrenko**Sunday School nursery:** _____ + _____*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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*And now my head shall be lifted up above my
enemies all around me, and I will offer in His
tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and
make melody to the Lord.*

Psalms 27:6

October 5, 2025

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Debbie Adams
Pastor Ruben Sernas

Approaching God

Call to Worship: Psalm 27:4-6 (ESV)

One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple. For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble; He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will lift me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in His tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

***Song of Praise:** All Praise to Him

Prayer of Adoration

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, we have often been quick to judge and slow to forgive our brothers and sisters. We notice and keep score for every sin that others commit against us. Sometimes we punish them by lashing out in anger, while at other times we treat them with silent coldness, instead of extending mercy and grace. Lord Jesus, thank You that this is not how You have treated us. You have not held our sin against us, though we have grieved and sinned against You countless times, boldly and brashly, not merely out of ignorance or oversight but with deliberate defiance. Your forgiving love pleaded for the forgiveness of those who were actually crucifying You. We have not been dealt with according to our sins, because You suffered the penalty for our sins. Holy Spirit, empower us to love and forgive one another. Help us to become people who, knowing that they have been forgiven much, are themselves deeply forgiving. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: 1 John 1:5-10 (ESV)

This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

*** Songs of Thanksgiving**

Cecelia Epote

Delighting in God

Offering/Offertory: Leviticus 27:30 (ESV)

Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the Lord's; it is holy to the Lord.

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

*** Songs of Anticipation:** Victory in Jesus
May I Have the Mind of Christ

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: Isaiah 61 & Luke 4:16-22 (ESV)

Sermon "Seeing Christ's Heart for the Poor" Pastor Rob Wolfe

**** COMMUNION**

*** Closing Song:** Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

*** Benediction**

* All who are able, please stand
** Our Communion bread is gluten-free

This morning we welcome Pastor Rob Wolfe, the Pastor of Families and Discipleship at Grace PCA in Dover, DE as Pastor Ruben traveled to Atlanta for Life on Life Discipleship training this past Thursday to Saturday.

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.

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.