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Financial Update as of 10.26.25

October Giving \$24,705

October Est Expenses \$20,000

YTD Budget \$37,066

YTD Giving \$38,570

*(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)***Attendance last Sunday**

Worship Service 62

Sunday School 27

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

Ray McDowell

Bo & Darlinda Moffett

Gary & Lorraine Morgan

Sharon Mundy

Maxine Nichols

This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers**Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** _____ + _____**Next Sunday, 11/9****Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** Jean Sica & Betsy Swank**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**

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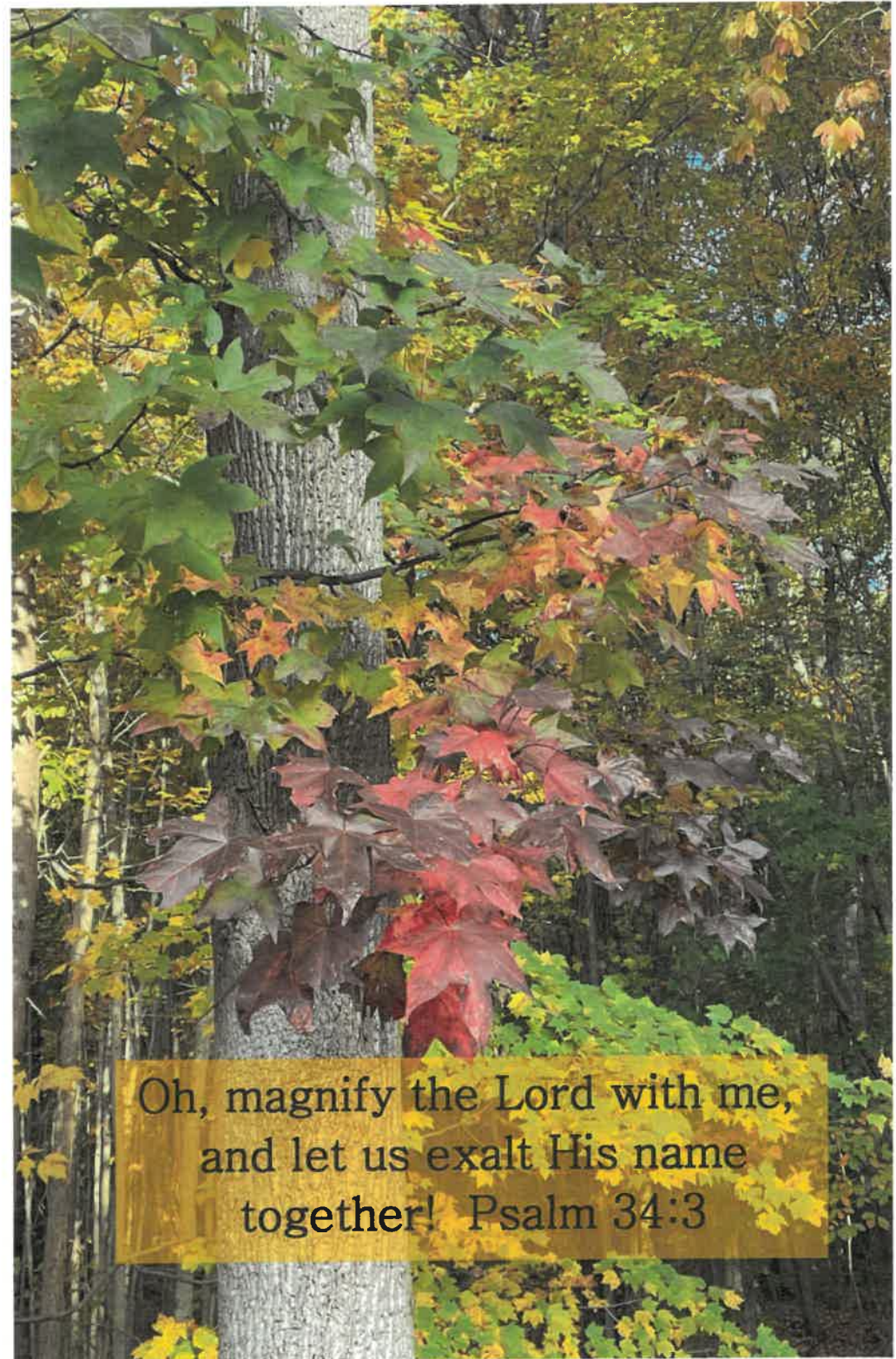
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and let us exalt His name
together! Psalm 34:3

November 2, 2025

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Debbie Adams
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Approaching God

Call to Worship: Psalm 34:1-3 (ESV)

I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together!

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

Prayer of Adoration

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, we have been forgiven much. Yet we are unwilling to forgive. We suffer from hardness of heart. Lord Jesus, thank You for dying for these sins as well as for all of our sins. You saw our unforgiving spirit, our inability to love, and our selfish desire to establish kingdoms where our will is done. Thank You, Jesus, for enduring the wrath and punishment that our sins deserve. We have been forgiven a vast debt. Holy Spirit, help us to forgive others. Help us become those who love much, because we have been loved so deeply. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Luke 7:40-50 (ESV)

And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher." "A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he canceled the debt of both. Now, which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he canceled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then, turning toward the woman, He said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But He who is forgiven little, loves little." And He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

Then those who were at table with Him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" And He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

*** Song of Thanksgiving: Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Delighting in God

Offering/Offertory: Acts: 20:35 (ESV)

In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

*** Songs of Anticipation: Love of God
Living Hope**

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: Ruth 1:6-22 (ESV)

Sermon "An Unlikely Convert"

Pastor Ruben Sernas

**** COMMUNION**

*** Closing Song: O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus**

*** Benediction**

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

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.

Taking the Sermon Home With You 11/2/25

Ruth 1:6-22 "An Unlikely Convert"

I. Naomi's Plan

II. Ruth's Faith

III. The Return to Bethlehem

Questions for personal &/ or group discussion:

1. What was Naomi's plan for her daughters-in-law?
2. What was their reaction to Naomi's plan?
3. Why was Ruth's conversion highly unlikely?
4. Why was it dangerous for Ruth to go to Bethlehem?
5. How did Naomi view her life at this point?