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Pastor Ruben Sernas

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Joe Mayberry

John Hrenko

Deacons

Rick Adams

Gary Morgan

Jim Swank

Joe Graves

Angelo Sica

Financial Update as of 8.2.26

Aug Giving \$ 6,005

Aug Est Expenses \$20,000

YTD Budget \$222,395

YTD Giving \$217,970

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

Worship Service 82

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

Wadé Coleman

Donel, Shela, Brittany & Brianna Deshommes

William & Evelyn Dewotor

Ben Duffy

Kennedy Ebu, Nadesh Mbang, Epote, Munge & Emade Ekane

This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers**Worship nursery:** Jessica Swank & Jean Sica**Jr Church:** Connie & Bob Kirby**Next Sunday, 8/16****Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** _____ + _____*A Reformed congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America***Heritage Presbyterian
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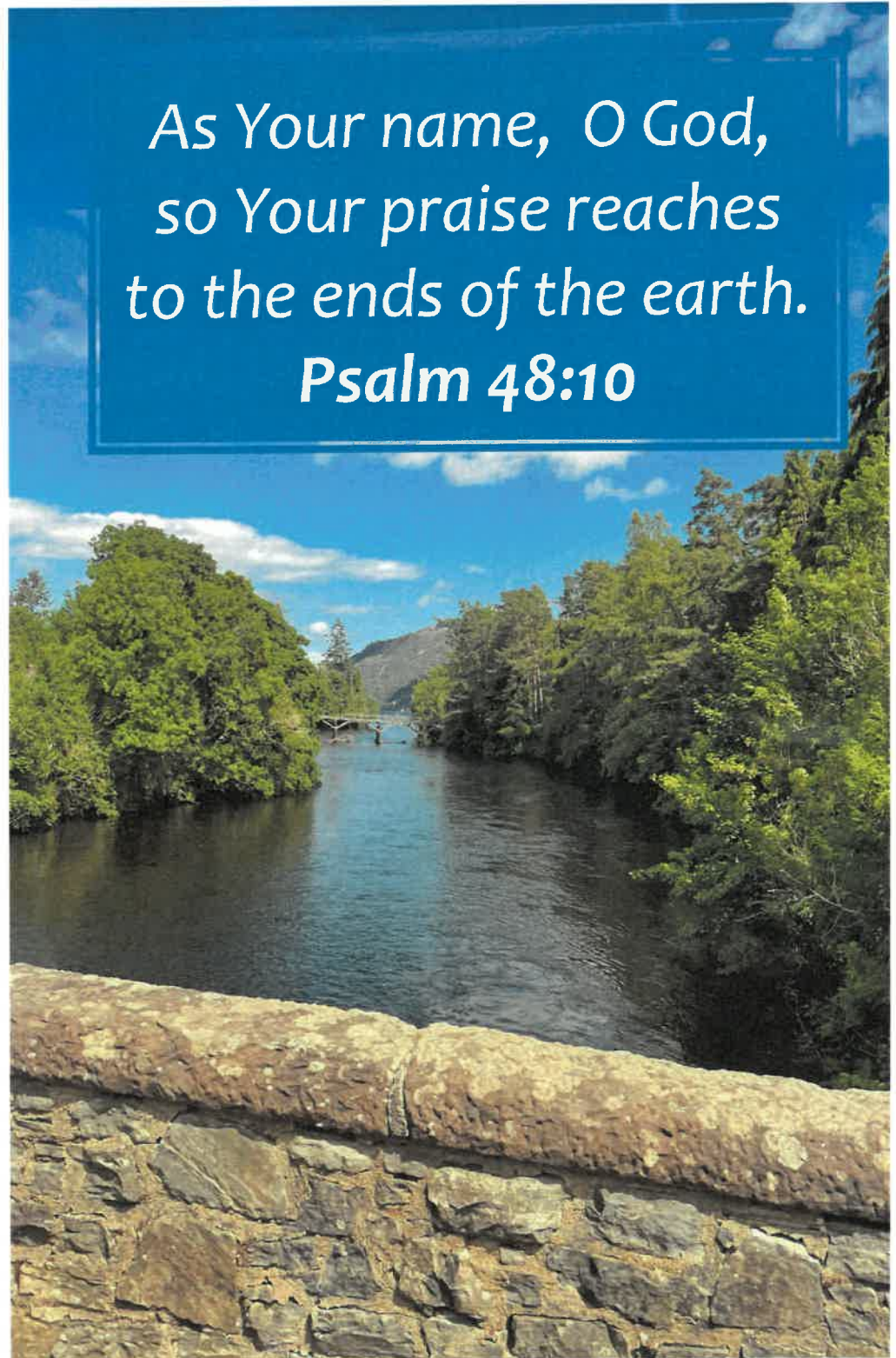
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As Your name, O God,
so Your praise reaches
to the ends of the earth.
Psalm 48:10



August 9, 2026

Prelude

Debbie Adams

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Ruben Sernas

Approaching God

Call to Worship: Psalm 48:9-10 (ESV)

We have thought on Your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of Your temple. As Your name, O God, so Your praise reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

*** Song of Praise:** How Great is Your Love

Prayer of Adoration

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace:

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your steadfast love even when our love is lukewarm towards You. You have richly blessed us, even as we continue to look anywhere and everywhere else for our blessings. Lord Jesus, forgive us for these sins and for all of our sins. We are so grateful that all of our past, present, and future sins are completely forgiven because of Your perfect sacrifice on the cross. Thank You for living the life of unmatched goodness that we should have lived. Holy Spirit, help us to live lives that are truly a blessing to those around us. Grant us much grace to forgive those who are unkind and unfair to us. Help us to remember how much we have been forgiven by Christ. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Matthew 18:28-35 (ESV)

But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his

master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also My Heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

*** Song of Thanksgiving:** Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven

Delighting in God

Call to Give: 2 Corinthians 8:7 (ESV)

But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

God's Kingdom Building: Prison Outreach of Delaware

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

*** Song of Anticipation:** The Love of God is Greater Far
Blessed Be Your Name

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: Romans 8:28-30 & John 11:17-37 (ESV)

Sermon "God's Comfort for Our Grief"

Pastor Sernas

*** Closing Song:** He Will Hold Me Fast

*** 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 August 9, 2026
Romans 8:28-30 & John 11:17-37
“God's Comfort for Our Grief”

1. Jesus and Martha

2. Jesus and Mary

3. Jesus and our Grief

Questions for Personal or Group Discussion:

1. How can Romans 8:28 comfort us as we experience tragedy?

2. How does the promise of future glory comfort us in the midst of our suffering?

3. How did Jesus comfort Martha?

4. How did Jesus comfort Mary?

5. How can we comfort others in their grief?