

10:30AM, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Indicates please stand as you are able.*

Bold text is read in unison.

Friendship Pad | We invite everyone to sign in using the Friendship Pad located at the end of each pew. This is something everyone, including regulars, signs each week.

Visitors | If you're visiting and would like to learn more about the church, please fill out a **visitor card** in the pew cardholder. You can also sign up for our e-newsletter, which is the best way to stay current on ways to get involved. Once completed, place your card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

Childcare for children four and under is available in the nursery, located in Room 104. You can ask an usher where to go. We also have **children's bulletins** and crayons in the hallway.

Livestream | If you need to step out, you can follow the service via **livestream in The Commons**. Ushers can guide you. There are also several toys for children to play with in this space.

Hearing Assistance | Our sound system lets you **connect your Bluetooth-enabled hearing aids** directly to it. Using the "**WaveCAST**" app, you can sync with the broadcast while connected to the "TuckahoeALS" Wi-Fi. Scan the QR Code for detailed instructions.



There are **large print** versions of all the hymns located in the Narthex, as well as large print Bibles.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC AND CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper

PRELUDE

"Con Spirito"

Arne

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Early in the morning, God goes out looking for us.

At nine o'clock, at noon, at three, even at the eleventh hour.

God is still calling, "Come, there is a place for you."

Not because we have earned it, not because we deserve it,

But because this is who God is: generous beyond our accounting.

Let us worship the God whose grace makes the last first,

Whose love is not divided but multiplied. Let us worship God together today.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

No. 610

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Generous God, we confess that we count the hours—ours against our neighbor's, what we have earned against what you have simply given. Forgive us for grumbling at your kindness to others, for envying where we should rejoice, for forgetting that we too once stood idle, waiting to be called in. Open our clenched hands. Teach us to receive grace without keeping score, and to welcome others into it without resentment. ...*continuing in Silent Prayer...*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORY TO GOD

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our LORD Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

***ANTHEM**

“Make Me A Channel of Your Peace”

Temple

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Harper Gatewood

*This is a time when children of all ages are welcome to come to the front steps of the Sanctuary and hear a brief message about our Scripture for the day. Afterwards, we invite children ages 4-11 to attend our “**Little Lights**” gathering in **Room 100**, following the Time with Young Disciples, for an engaging time of Bible stories, activities, and faith formation designed just for them. We ask parents to please meet their children following worship. Our church nursery is located down the hall in Room 104 for children four and under. Our ushers can guide you to either location.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2-15

pg. 62

This is the Word of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Matthew 20:1-16

pg. 21

This is the Word of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Not Too Late”

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***HYMN**

“Where Cross the Crowded Way of Life” vv. 1, 5, 6

No. 343

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

The Apostles’ Creed is an ancient ecumenical statement of faith included in the PCUSA Book of Confessions. It is rooted in early baptismal formulas from the 2nd century (specifically the Old Roman Creed around 150–200 AD), though it reached its final Western text form around the 8th century. The apostles did not write it, but it summarizes their core teachings.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (pg. 35)

*If you have **prayer requests**, you can list them on the prayer cards tucked in the cover of the friendship pads. Please place the completed card in the prayer box in the Narthex or email requests directly to Pastor Keli. Please let Keli know if you would like to share your prayer with the congregation or to keep it confidential.*

*After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DEDICATION OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES, AND OUR OFFERINGS

No. 606

The Offering plates are located at the entrances to the Sanctuary, in the Narthex. As you enter or exit the Sanctuary, you may place your offering in the plate. You may also give online through the website using the QR code. Thank you for your faithful giving.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, you have called us into your vineyard and paid us wages we did not earn. Everything we have is a gift. We bring these offerings to join in your generosity. Use what we bring here to call others to work to welcome everyone, even those who arrive at the eleventh hour. Take our gifts and make us as generous as the God we follow. Amen.

WE GO TO LOVE AND SERVE THE WORLD

*HYMN

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” v. 1, 2, 5

No. 649

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

“Shalom, chaverim”

Traditional

*POSTLUDE

“Allegro”

Arne

During the postlude, we invite you to move to Duntreath Hall to join us for fellowship time.

Liturgy adapted from the PCUSA Book of Common Worship and the Connections Worship Companion for Year A.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper, *Pastor*; Jillian Gatewood, *Director of Christian Formation*;
Pamela James, *Director of Music*; Karen Harris, *Organist/Accompanist*;
Mary McGee, *Liturgist*; Harper Gatewood, *Time with Young Disciples*;
Sarah Grace Groves, *Livestream and Sound Operator*

The flowers are given by Jim and Karen Cooke to the glory of God and in celebration of the upcoming marriage of their son Marshall to Miriam Koubek next Sunday in Maine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



There are Sign-Up Calendars for Flower Dedications available online for 2026. You can find the link at the bottom of the website homepage. Questions? Contact the office: office@tuckahoepres.org.

Sign up to host Fellowship After Church one Sunday! The Fellowship Committee has made the process very simple, and you can use snacks from the pantry. Scan the QR code or sign up at the bottom of the homepage. Questions? Contact Jeanne Webster.



As Tuckahoe prepares for its 75th anniversary celebration next year, this weekly feature provides a brief look at dates and facts related to the church's history. *Did you know that..* **Bob Muncy once ended the worship service early and suggested that the congregation hum the last hymn on the drive home to arrive in time for a football game on TV?**

Join us for **World Communion Sunday on October 4** as we celebrate our unity in Christ alongside our friends from **Holy Trinity Church**. Children are invited to join Pastor Keli at **9:15 AM** for a special Sunday School lesson about communion before we gather in worship around Christ's table—**where there is always room for all.**

Help us celebrate Tuckahoe's 75th Anniversary! We are collecting photos for a slideshow presentation to be shown at Friendsgiving in November. Please share your favorite photos from past church events, trips, groups, and leaders! Digital photos can be emailed to office@tuckahoepres.org, or physical copies can be dropped off at the office to be scanned. **Please submit all photos by October 15.** Questions? Contact Heather Stevenson at hstevenson@mcguirewoods.com.



Share your Tuckahoe Presbyterian Story! As we celebrate 75 years of Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church, help us tell our story! Share a short reflection (1-3 paragraphs) about when you joined, a favorite memory, and what this community means to you, along with 1-3 photos that capture your Tuckahoe experience! **Please sign up to participate using the QR code.** The dates reflect the Friday that the information is due. Stories will be published to e-news and/or social media the following week. Submit your story (and photos) to office@tuckahoepres.org. *Please let us know if you'd prefer to opt out of social media sharing. Submissions may be lightly edited for length or clarity.*

Our annual **Trunk or Treat Festival** is coming up on **Sunday, October 25, 4:00pm-6:00pm.** The fellowship committee is currently **looking for volunteers to host a Trunk!** Please **register using the QR code.** *A limited number of trunk decorations are available to borrow if needed.* Questions? Please contact Jeanne Webster.



Ever wanted to read the whole Bible? This is your year! We invite everyone to join our **Bible Reading Journey**, a self-paced opportunity to read through Scripture together, starting today (although you can adapt to start anytime!). Scan the QR code for registration information and the reading guide. Questions? Reach out to Pastor Keli.

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