

10:30AM, OCTOBER 25, 2026**REFORMATION SUNDAY****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. Feel free to add as much information as you would like and pass the pad down your row. 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 in most pews.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC AND CHIMES**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper

PRELUDE*"Rock of Ages"*

arr. Linker

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Pharisees gathered to test Jesus with a question: which commandment is greatest?

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind.

And Jesus said there is a second, like it:

Love your neighbor as yourself.

On these two hang all the law and the prophets.

So we come, not to test God, but to be loved, and to love.

Let us worship the God who is always making all things new!

HYMN OF PRAISE"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"*

No. 353

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and gracious God, you ask us to love you with everything we are, and we have loved you with what is left over. You ask us to love our neighbors as ourselves, and we have kept our distance, kept score, and kept silent. Like those who questioned Jesus, we have preferred clever arguments to costly obedience. We have confused our traditions with your truth, and we have resisted the reform of our own hearts while calling for reform in others. We have trusted in our own goodness, our institutions, our certainties, and not in your mercy. ...*continuing on next page...*

Forgive us and turn us again toward you. Make us a people always being reformed by your Word and Spirit. ...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

"Come, Share the Lord"

Larson

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Jillian 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

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

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

SECOND READING

Matthew 22:34-46

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

SERMON

"Reforming as a Way of Love"

Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN

"Lord I Want to Be a Christian"

No. 729

*A LITANY FOR REFORMATION SUNDAY

This litany for Reformation Sunday is composed of excerpts from the Creeds, Catechisms, and Confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church,
the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints.

*Nicene Creed
Apostles' Creed*

This Kirk is catholic, that is, universal, because it contains
the chosen of all ages, of all realms, nations, and tongues,
be they of the Jews or be they of the Gentiles,
who have communion and society with God the Father,
and with the Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of the Holy Spirit.

Scots Confession

**We believe that, from the beginning to the end of the world,
and from among the whole human race, the Son of God,
by his Spirit and his Word, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself,
in the unity of the true faith, a congregation chosen for eternal life.**

Heidelberg Catechism

The Church is an assembly of the faithful called or gathered out of the world; a communion of all saints, namely, of those who truly know and rightly worship and serve the true God in Christ the Savior, by the Word and Holy Spirit, and who by faith are partakers in all the benefits which are freely offered through Christ.

Second Helvetic Confession

The visible Church, which is also catholic or universal under the gospel, consists of all those throughout the world that profess the true religion, together with their children; and is the Kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ; the house and family of God.

Westminster Confession of Faith

The visible church has the privilege of being under God's special care and government; of being protected and preserved in all ages, notwithstanding the opposition of all enemies; and of enjoying the communion of saints, the ordinary means of salvation, and offers of grace by Christ, to all members of it, in the ministry of the gospel, testifying that whosoever believes in him shall be saved and excluding none that will come unto him.

Larger Catechism

The church's commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ's stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and Sacrament.

Theological Declaration of Barmen

The church confesses its faith when it bears a present witness to God's grace in Jesus Christ. The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ have set the pattern for the church's mission. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

Confession of 1967

With believers in every time and place we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Brief Statement of Faith

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*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

*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.*



*DOXOLOGY

No. 606

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, all that we have comes from you, and we have only returned a portion of your own gifts. Receive these offerings of money, time, and talent, and use them to love you and to love our neighbors. Bless the work of your church, reformed and always being reformed, that it may be a sign of your kingdom in this community and the world. Amen.

WE GO TO LOVE AND SERVE THE WORLD

***HYMN**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

No. 275

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

“Bless the Lord”

Taizé

***POSTLUDE**

“Proclaim the Glory of the Lord”

Liles

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, the Office of Theology and Worship, PC(USA), 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*; Sarah Cothorn, *Organist/Accompanist*;
Becky Groves, *Liturgist*; Claire Robinson, *Livestream and Sound Operator*

*The flowers are given by an Anonymous Donor to the glory of God and
in honor of Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church's Staff.*

*The rose on the organ is in celebration of the birth of Mary “Polly” Grace Frazer,
born October 20. Her parents are Genevieve and Nathaniel Frazer, and
the overjoyed grandparents are Tim and Marilynn Estes.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



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...* **Tuckahoe's fourth pastor, Robert L. Muncy, played in the St. Louis Brown's farm system (they became the Baltimore Orioles in 1954)?**

Our annual **Trunk or Treat Festival** is this afternoon from **4:00pm-6:00pm**. We hope to see you there!

As we celebrate 75 years of God's faithfulness at Tuckahoe, we invite you to prayerfully consider your pledge to our **"Reflect, Rejoice, Renew"** Stewardship Campaign. Together, we hope to reach **\$552,200 from 102 pledging households** to sustain our worship, nurture families, care for one another, and share God's love beyond our walls. Thank you to those who have already responded! As of October 22, TPC has received **24 pledges totaling \$140,570**. Every gift, of any amount, is a meaningful expression of gratitude. Please submit your pledge by October 29 and join us on **Dedication Sunday, November 1**. We look forward to celebrating with you.

Join us on Sunday, November 1, at 10:30am, as we remember those who have gone before us in faith. We will dedicate the gifts raised during our stewardship campaign and read the necrology of all who have died between November 2025 and October 2026. *To include a loved one, please send their full name to office@tuckahoe-pres.org by Wednesday, October 28.* After worship that day at **12:00pm**, join us for a workshop on planning a memorial or funeral service, grounded in our Presbyterian understanding of the celebration of life and witness to the resurrection. Led by Pastor Keli, we'll walk through the various options and elements involved in planning a service. **Lunch is provided for free. Please register using the QR code by Tuesday, October 27.**



Mark your calendars! The Property Committee has planned our **Fall Clean-Up** for **Saturday, November 7**. We're kicking off the morning at 8:00am with fresh coffee, muffins, and juice. Have a specific project you'd like to tackle or think needs attention? **Reach out to Tom Lee at (804) 740-4907.** *If you have any garden or work tools to spare, please bring them along to share with the crew.*

Join us on **Sunday, November 8, for our annual Scottish Heritage Sunday**. As a congregation rooted in the Presbyterian tradition, we give thanks for the rich Scottish heritage that has shaped our history and faith. Through worship, music, and tradition, we will celebrate the story of those who came before us and the ways God's faithfulness has been passed from generation to generation. Whether your family has Scottish roots or you're simply curious about this important part of our Presbyterian heritage, we invite you to join us for this special service as we honor the past and celebrate the faith that continues to guide us today. **Worship begins at 10:30am. All are welcome.**

Believe it or not... it's already that time of year! Tuckahoe is again **sponsoring children (and a few adults) in Housing Families First programs for Christmas!** For each child, we will provide a coat, pajamas, and \$50 in toys selected from individualized "wish lists." For each adult, we will provide a \$50 gift card. To participate, look for the **Wish Tree in Duntreath Hall** on three Sundays - November 1, 8, and 15. Choose a tag from the tree and register it. (For each child, we will include the child's name and age, the type of gift, wish list, sizes, etc.). Outreach Committee members will be there to assist. Then shop for your gifts and return them (labeled and unwrapped) to Mary McGee's office at the church no later than Sunday, November 22. *Note that you will be purchasing a coat, pajamas, toys OR gift card.* And, in doing so, you will help bring the joy of Christmas to families currently facing homelessness. *Call Pat Miller at 804.380.6688 if you have questions.*

Special Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Teri McDowell Ott | Sunday, November 15, 9:00–10:15 a.m. Join us as we welcome the Rev. Dr. Teri McDowell Ott, Editor and Publisher of *The Presbyterian Outlook*, for a special presentation, **“Beyond the Pew: Presbyterians, Belonging, and the Changing American Religious Landscape.”** Teri will explore how religious participation and belonging are changing in America, what these shifts mean for the Presbyterian Church, and how we can creatively engage new generations and communities. This presentation will take place during Adult Sunday School, but **everyone is warmly invited and encouraged to attend**, whether or not you regularly participate in Sunday School!

 Come and enjoy Tuckahoe’s annual Friendsgiving Feast on Sunday, November 15, immediately following worship in Duntreath Hall! As Thanksgiving approaches, we invite you to gather around the table with friends, neighbors, and our church family for fellowship, gratitude, and good food. **Friendsgiving is an opportunity to slow down, share a meal, and celebrate the relationships that enrich our lives** and the blessings God has provided throughout the year. The Fellowship Committee will provide the turkey, ham, and beverages. To ensure a delicious variety, **you may sign up for a specific dish (like stuffing, vegetables, or pie), or choose to bring a favorite recipe of your own.** *Please prepare enough to serve 6–8 people and kindly note if your dish contains nuts.* Be sure to invite a friend to share our bounty. Scan the QR code to sign up! **Questions? Please contact Jeanne Webster.**