GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

** Please rise in body or spirit*

Welcome and Announcements

Visitors, please fill out the connection card in the pew so we can send you a note

Opening Prayer Barret Kidd

God, in love you made us and by love you have redeemed us. May your love for us bear fruit in our forgiveness of others, that in this life we may know your all-embracing compassion and receive the joy of fellowship. Amen.

Prelude *The Gift of Love* Janet Linker

Choral Introit *One Bread, One Body* John B. Foley

***Call to Worship (Responsive)** Barret Kidd

Give praise to God!
Praise the Lord, for it is God who saves. . . .
It is God who forgives. . . .
It is God who delivers. . . .
Give thanks and praise to the Lord!

***Hymn** *Heleluyan, We Are Singing* #642
Choir will sing verses, congregation will sing refrain

Prayer for New Beginnings (Unison) Barret Kidd

Gracious and loving God, thank you for this day. Strengthen my resolve to love and show mercy throughout the day. Lead my feet to your holy dwelling place, and guide the work I have to do for today. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace (Responsive)**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

***Congregational Response** *In My Life* #468 v.1,4

In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.
In my life, Lord, be glorified today,
In your world, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination Barret Kidd

Holy God, your Word is strong and leads our feet to your holy dwelling place. Strengthen and guide us with your Word through the power of your Holy Spirit; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Psalm 78: 1-7 Barret Kidd

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children; that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Word in Music *The Gift of Love* Hal Hopson

New Testament Reading I Corinthians 12, selected verses

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.
For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.
Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

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Sermon Rev. Jeff Sockwell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn** *For the Life That You Have Given* #717

***Affirmation of Faith (Unison)** the Confession of Belhar

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ. We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We believe that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker. We believe that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer (Responsive)

…through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who taught us this 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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *The Gift of Love* Janet Linker

***Doxology** #606

***Prayer of Dedication**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***Hymn** *O God in Whom All Life Begins* #308

***Blessing**

May God, whose forgiveness is boundless, the Christ, whose charge is freedom, the Spirit, which grants us life and peace, keep our minds and hearts in grateful communion as we seek to serve.

Postlude *The Gift of Love*

Those Serving Today	**Those Serving 11/15/26**
Rev. Jeff Sockwell, Pastor	Rev Jeff Sockwell, Pastor
Barret Kidd, Liturgist	Tony Stimatz, Liturgist
Joe and Ellen Medlin, Greeters	Vikki Smith, Greeter
Paul Vincent, Technology	Paul Vincent, Technology
Rachel Gragson, Organist	Rachel Gragson, Organist
and Choir Director	and Choir Director

Prayer Concerns

Tony Stimatz, Mary Midgett, Kathy Dinoto, Dawn Kidd, Joe Medlin, Tom Traywick, Charles Gregg, Larry and Dianne Roby, Dylan DeVries, Brad and Kathy Post, Bette Lou Campbell, Joe Gibbs, Norman Lawrence.

This Week

Monday – Presbyterian Women 12:30 pm (in the fellowship hall)
Wednesday - Tai Chi/Qigong 9:00 am (in fellowship hall)
Wednesday – Choir Practice 4:30
Wednesday – Worship Committee 6:00 pm
Thursday - Painting Pals 1:00-4:00 pm (in fellowship hall)

Announcements

Welcome – We are glad you are here.

Presbyterian Women – The Presbyterian Women will meet Monday, November 9 at 12:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Soup will be provided. Come and join us for a time of food and fellowship and study.

SOULS Ministry – Throughout the year, the SOULS team uses turkey to prepare meals for the ministry. If you would like to donate a turkey for the freezer, it would be appreciated. See Vikki Smith if you would like to donate a turkey to help feed our neighbors.

Season of Stewardship – We are in the midst of our stewardship season. If you did not receive a packet, there are extras in the narthex. Dedication Sunday will be **November 15**. If you are not able to attend worship on November 15 in person, make plans to turn in your commitment before then. Keep our church community in your prayers in this important season.

Blessing Box –The most needed items for November are soup, macaroni & cheese, and peanut butter.

New Address – The Posts have a new address. Please keep Kathy and Brad in your prayers as they continue their adjustment to their new home. Kathy sends love and expresses how much she misses the Cann family.

Brad and Kathy Post
4141 Primrose Rd
Grantville, GA 30220

SOULS -We are collecting utensil packets from any carry-out meals you do not need. A basket is in the fellowship hall by the outside door to collect these.

Fleece Blankets – During our December date for SOULS ministry (December 23), we give fleece blankets/throws to each person in attendance. If you would like to donate a blanket/throw, there will be a basket for these in the hallway near the bathrooms. Please see Vikki Smith for questions.

These Days Devotionals – The October-December copy of These Days is available in the rack in the narthex.

October Financial information:

Offering received:	Offering needed:
October: $3946	October: $10,514

Cann Memorial Presbyterian Church
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2026
11:30 am



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