

Georgetown Presbyterian Church



“Losing Your Life to Find It”

Matthew 16:21-28

Rev. Chris Weichman

August 30, 2026

10:30 AM

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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

14th Sunday After Pentecost

August 30, 2026



GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE

Fugue in G

J.S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT

Lord It Is Good

David Haas

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We sing aloud a song of thanksgiving,

People: and recount all of God's wonderful deeds.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 720

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18, NRSV)

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord! Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of my heart, and bring me out of my distress. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins. Amen.

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Christ does not abandon us, but died for us, was raised for us, and loves us still. This is the good news that prevails!

People: In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are forgiven!

**Please stand as you are able.*

*Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Hymn 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be 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.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Debbie Jenkins

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Molly McNeill

Roman 12:1-8 (*New Testament, pew Bible, page 123*)

ANTHEM

Take Up Your Cross/
Take Up Your Cross

David Haas

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Arr. Lloyd Larson

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Rev. Chris Weichman

Matthew 16:21-28 (*New Testament pew Bible, page 14*)

SERMON

Rev. Chris Weichman

"Losing Your Life to Find It"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 1*)

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**My only comfort in life and in death is that I am not my own, but belong—body and soul,
in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins
with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches
over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in
heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing
and ready from now on to live for him.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed by 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 debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Call for the Offering

Offertory

Prelude in D, from WTC v. I

J.S. Bach

*The Doxology

Hymn 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

Hymn 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

Hymn 726 (*v. 5*)

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name?

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

*POSTLUDE

Fantasia (ending)

J.S. Bach

THERE IS A PLACE FOR *YOU* AMONG US!

You are invited to unite with us as a member of Georgetown Presbyterian Church. New members are received either as **Full Members**, the traditional, full-time membership, or **Affiliate Members**, for those who are seasonal or temporary residents. Get more detailed information from our minister or from the Elder of the Day.

The Vision of Georgetown Presbyterian Church

Georgetown Presbyterian Church is a community of faith bound and driven by the love of Jesus Christ, called to nurture discipleship and share Christ's love with all people.

The Mission of Georgetown Presbyterian Church

In order to fulfill our vision faithfully, we must do the following:

- Foster a vibrant community of faith that shares God's grace with all generations through uplifting worship and music, meaningful fellowship, and mutual care for one another;
- Challenge each other to grow in commitment and involvement by providing wide-ranging opportunities for spiritual growth;
- Reach out beyond our doors by serving and providing resources to all God's people in an ever-changing world.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Chris Weichman Pastor/Head of Staff

Debbie Jenkins, Children and Youth Ministries Leader

Rodney Mason, Director of Music Ministries

Cary Byrd, Organ/Choir Scholar

Molly McNeill, Flute

Ushers: Bob Derrick, Emily and Hu Craig, Gayle McCain

Lector: Molly McNeill

Elder of the Week: Joy Talbot

Audiovisual: Albert Ford, Ben Power, Stephen Barkley

Remember in Your Prayers

"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God."
Philippians 4:6

Members

Ron Booth, Dean Brown, *Dana Bryant*, Jennifer Dawson, Kim Dickerson, Judie Edwards, Martha Fair, Penny Stokes-Hall, Rebia Hannah, Gay Jones, *Roger Jones*, Connie Keegan, Family of John McBride, Susan Matthews, Linda Puckett, Earl Small, *Jeanne Waldron*, Carey Williamson

Friends/Families

Jim Burgess, Brantley Carter, Teresa Censullo, Rev. Donald Duncan, Family of Michael Farver, Israelis and those in the Middle East and local community, Stephanie Martin, Sandie McMillin, Katherine Moore, Richard (Liz) Noble, Bob Ruff, Eric Wilson, Josh Windham

Military Personnel

Ernest Fajardo, Hunter Lyon, Ben Martin, Alexander Pelham, Harrison Pelham, Will Piepenbring, Jay Puckett, Will Puckett, Tristan Porcher, Chuck and Josh Power, Elizabeth Rooney, Shaun Rooney, Matthew Schwab, Mark Stephens, Daniel Yarger

Our Missionaries

Mark and Miriam Adams in Mexico, Larry and Inge Sthreshley, Dalit/Untouchables Ministry

Financial Report

Sunday, August 23, 2026 - Attendance 134

Tithes and Offerings this week	<u>\$9,497</u>
Tithes and Offerings this year through Sunday, August 23 2026	\$543,001
Budgeted Tithes and Offerings this Year To Date	<u>\$542,500</u>
Variance from Budget	<u>\$501</u>

**Please recycle bulletins by placing them in the baskets.*

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2026

Sunday	August 30
9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
10:30 am	Worship
4:30-6:30 pm	Middle School Youth
Monday	August 31
5:30 pm	Ladies Pickleball Clinic
5:30 pm	Yoga - Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	September 1
5:30 pm	Pickleball
6:00-8:00 pm	Senior High Youth
5:30 pm	Yoga - Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	September 2
5:15-7:00 pm	Children's Ministry
Thursday	September 3
5:30 pm	Pickleball
5:30 pm	Yoga - Fellowship Hall
Friday	September 4
	<i>Office Closed</i>
Saturday	September 5
	<i>Office Closed</i>
Sunday	September 6
9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
10:30 am	Worship

ANGEL FUND: Please contact the Angel Fund via email at angel@gtpres.org if you have any questions or suggestions concerning assistance for yourself or a GPC member.

NURSERY for infants through 2-years of age is in room A102 located on the hall behind the front of the Sanctuary.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY today are given by Bob Martin, Children and Grandchildren to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ann Martin for her birthday.

THE FLOWERS IN THE NARTHEX are given by Emily and Hu Craig to the Glory of God and in loving memory of their son Max Craig for his birthday. ☺

IT IS TIME TO UPDATE OUR NON-PICTORIAL CHURCH DIRECTORY! To be included, we need a new membership form for each family. Form is included in the bulletin, attachment with daily emails, and various locations throughout the church. Complete it today and leave it in the containers on the table by the Fellowship Hall door or return it to the church office no later than August 31. Thank you for your cooperation. No form, no inclusion in our directory.

GPC YOUNG ADULTS AND FRIENDS monthly Bible Study will begin **Tuesday, September 8, 5:30-6:30 pm** and will continue to meet the second Tuesday of each month. Invite a friend and enjoy inspiring studies with friendly fellowship.

IN HONOR OF THORNWELL HOME'S 150th ANNIVERSARY, the session approved a matching fundraiser. The mission committee will match up to \$1,500 given by the congregation to celebrate and support Thornwell's ongoing mission. Make sure you designate your gift by marking your envelope or check memo with "Thornwell." Gifts will be received until September 15. You can learn more about Thornwell at www.thornwell.org.

CHRISTMAS SECRET SHOP returns! We are requesting donations to set up a shop where the children can do their gift shopping for their families. Suggested items might be (but are not limited to) jewelry, scarves, gloves, fishing tackle, games, puzzles, etc. These may be dropped off at Debbie's Office or the Church Office.