

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD		
“Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!” –Psalm 24:8		
October 27, 2019	Reformation Sunday	10:00 a.m.

God Calls Us to Worship

Welcome		
Prelude	Nimrod	Elgar
Stephens Valley Church Brass and Ms. Lisa Barry, organ		
Call to Worship		
* Responsive Reading	Psalm 46:1-7	
God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.		
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.		
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.		
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.		
The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; He utters His voice, the earth melts.		
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.		

* Hymn	A Mighty Fortress Is Our God	EIN’ FESTE BURG
A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing, For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; His craft and pow’r are great; and armed with cruel hate, On earth is not His equal.  Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; Were not the right man on our side, the man of God’s own choosing, Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, And He must win the battle.		

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;  
One little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow’rs, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still;  
His kingdom is forever.

\* Prayer of Adoration

God Calls Us to Pray		
New Testament Lesson	Romans 8:31–39	
This is the word of the Lord.		
Thanks be to God!		

General Prayer of Confession  
Our God and King and Heavenly Father, we are not worthy of Your steadfast love, for we have sinned and fallen short of Your glory. All we like sheep have gone astray; every one of us has turned to our own way. We humbly ask Your forgiveness of our many sins. Cleanse us of our pride, selfishness, and vanity. Soften our hard hearts and take away our love of sinning. Thank you for not sparing Your Son in our behalf. Though our sins are as scarlet, wash them and make us whiter than snow, through His cleansing blood, we pray, Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Prayer of Intercession

The Lord’s 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness	Pastor Heath Cross	
* Hymn	Soldiers of Christ, Arise	DIADEMATA
Soldiers of Christ, arise, and put your armor on, Strong in the strength which God supplies through His eternal Son. Strong in the Lord of Hosts, and in His mighty pow’r, Who in the strength of Jesus trusts is more than conqueror.  Stand then in His great might, with all His strength endued; But take, to arm you for the fight, the panoply of God. Leave no unguarded place, no weakness of the soul; Take ev’ry virtue, ev’ry grace, and fortify the whole.  To keep your armor bright, attend with constant care; Still walking in your Captain’s sight, and watching unto prayer. From strength to strength go on; wrestle and fight and pray; Tread all the pow’rs of darkness down, and win the well-fought day.		

God Calls Us to Give and Serve

God’s Tithe and Our Offerings		
Anthem	To the Lamb upon the Throne	Forrest
Stephens Valley Church Choir		
Worthy the Lamb. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name; the name all-victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all. “Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!” Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son; the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb. God rules in the height, almighty to save; though hid from our sight, His presence we have, the great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. Then let us adore and give Him His right, all glory and pow’r, all wisdom and might; all honor and blessing with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.		

* Presentation of Gifts	OLD HUNDREDTH To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God Whom heaven and earth adore, From men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore. Amen. (Children ages 4–6 may be dismissed to Children’s Church, room #38.)	
* Prayer of Dedication		

God Calls Us to Study His Word

Prayer for Illumination		
Old Testament Lesson	Joshua 10:1–15	
All flesh is grass, and all its loveliness is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.		
Sermon	A Miraculous Day	Pastor Jim Bachmann
Prayer of Supplication		

God Calls Us to His Table

Words of Institution		
Breaking the Bread	Like A River Glorious <i>with</i> Be Still, My Soul	arr. Carter
Ms. Lisa Barry, organ		
Sharing the Cup		
* Hymn	Before the Throne of God Above	Bancroft & Cook

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea,  
A great high priest Whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands; my name is written on His heart,  
I know that while in heav’n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.  
  
When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,  
For God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,  
To look on Him and pardon me.  
  
Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb. My perfect, spotless righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.  
One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased with His blood.  
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,  
With Christ my Savior and my God.

* Benediction		
* Postlude	A Mighty Fortress	arr. Held
Ms. Lisa Barry, organ		

\* congregation standing

Stephens Valley Church Brass
Trumpets: Joel Treybig, Pat Kunkee
French Horn: Tara Johnson
Trombone: Joe Awad
Tuba: Mark Tillinger

– ANNOUNCEMENTS –

**Greetings** in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to all of our worshipers today. Today is Reformation Sunday in our church and many other Reformed and evangelical churches throughout the world. On this day we remember the rediscovery of the gospel that began when Martin Luther posted his 95 theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenburg, Germany, on October 31, 1517. Everyone is encouraged to enjoy coffee, water, doughnuts, and fellowship in the cafeteria after the service.

**Thank You:** A big thank you is in order for all those who helped organize our most successful Fall Fest last Sunday afternoon! We appreciate the hard work and sacrificial service you provided to make the afternoon possible. And, we also thank our gracious Lord for the perfect weather He provided!

**Thank You:** “To our wonderful brothers and sisters in Stephens Valley Church, There is no way we can adequately express our thanks and appreciation for the outpouring of love we received on our return to church after my near-death surgery and on-going recovery. Please accept our sincere thanks, most of all for your prayers and for your visits, cards, calls, flowers, food and concern for our situation. We are truly blessed to be in such a wonderful fellowship. May God richly bless you all.” – Tom and Nilda Allison

**Sympathy:** We express our sympathy to Kristy Frazier in the recent passing of her stepmother’s husband. We also extend our sympathy to Shirley Hoffman in the recent passing of her sister.

**Recreational Items:** We are looking for gently-used recreation equipment for our new youth room. If you have something you would like to donate, please let us know. In particular, we are looking for the following: pool table, foosball table, air hockey, shuffle board, board games, etc. For more information, please contact Lu Miller.

**Becoming a Welcoming Church:** As we prepare for our move to Stephens Valley, we encourage everyone to pick up a free copy of this insightful book by Dr. Thom Rainer. Dr. Rainer served as president and CEO of LifeWay from 2006-2019 and previously served as dean of the Billy Graham School of Missions at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. The book is a quick read and is available in the school lobby.

**SVC Missions:** Please pick up prayer calendars and missionary cards on the missions table in the lobby today.

**Widows Luncheon:** There will be a fall luncheon honoring the widows of Stephens Valley Church this Wednesday, October 30, at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Linda Hutton. If you are a widow and did not receive an invitation several weeks ago, you are invited and welcomed to join us! Please contact Lori Tice for more information. We look forward to celebrating you and enjoying a precious time of fellowship together.

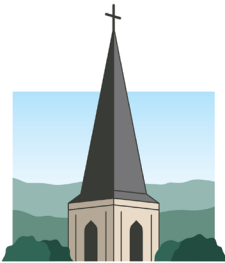
**Operation Christmas Child:** Once again, we have boxes available in the lobby beginning today through Sunday, November 17. There are a limited supply of boxes so act quickly. Please remember to include a check for \$9 (made out to Samaritan’s Purse) inside your box to cover the cost of shipping. Return the boxes on Sunday, November 17th. If you are unable to return your box that day, please contact Amber Cross.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Operating Budget	Budget	Actual	Over/(Under) Budget
Year to Date Income (July-Sept)	\$329,885	\$366,850	\$36,965
Year to Date Expenses (July-Sept)	\$232,010	\$168,296	(\$63,714)

– THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR –

Today, 8:20 a.m. Officers’ prayer meeting, Room 18  
Today, 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages  
Today, 10:00 a.m. Worship service  
Monday, 9:00 a.m. Sabbatical Search Career Group, Panera Bread at Green Hills Mall  
Monday, 6:00 p.m. DivorceCare (Bellevue Library, 720 Baugh Rd., 37221)  
Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. WOSVC Bible Study (at the home of Mica Copeland)  
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Tuesday, 9:45 a.m. Sweet Half Hour of Prayer, 5031 Hillsboro Pike, in the St. Paul Chapel, first floor  
Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. Widows Luncheon (at the home of Linda Hutton)  
Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal (Julia Green Auditorium)



# Stephens Valley Church

Dear members and friends of Stephens Valley Church,

We are pleased to announce that the renovation of the Stephens Valley Church website is near completion. Next week, our website will feature our new church logo (as seen in recent bulletins) as well as updated information about the church. You’ll have direct access to the church calendar, past sermon audio, and missionary profiles as well as Pastor Jim’s blog posts, past bulletins, and more. As we’ve learned from Dr. Thom Rainer in his book *Becoming a Welcoming Church*, the website is our first impression to potential visitors. We want it to be attractive, engaging and informative to anyone who wants to learn more about our church. We also want it to be a valuable resource to our members.

It should be noted that the website we have used during our first three years was developed and maintained by Tim Cummings. Tim spent many hours building the site initially and countless hours since then maintaining it over the years. His devotion and love for the Lord in giving so freely of his time and talents to Stephens Valley Church is duly noted. Please let him know your appreciation as you have the opportunity.

In addition to the website, we are giving a new look to the weekly newsletter and prayer guide as well as the bulletin, church stationery and name tags. We will also begin to use a secure child check-in system. It will take several weeks to implement these modifications. We ask in advance for your patience.

We have been working diligently behind the scenes to prepare for this transition. Many hours of development and review have gone into the process. If you have any questions, please contact Angie in the church office.

Every blessing,

John Avery  
Church Administrator



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