

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD		
“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?” – Romans 8:31		
September 1, 2019	Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
God Calls Us to Worship		
Welcome		
Prelude	Jesus Loves Me Mr. David German, piano, and Ms. Lisa Barry, organ	arr. Carter
Call to Worship		
Psalter Lesson	Psalm 27:1–4	
The LORD is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, My adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; Though war arise against me; yet I will be confident. One thing I have asked of the LORD, that I will seek after: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple.		
* Hymn	How Firm a Foundation	FOUNDATION
How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said, To You who for refuge to Jesus have fled?  “When through the deep waters I call you to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be with you, your troubles to bless, And sanctify to you your deepest distress.  “When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; The flame shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.”		
* Affirmation of Faith	The Apostle’s Creed	
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 at 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.		
* Congregational Response	FOUNDATION	
“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”		

Corporate Prayer of Adoration		
Almighty and merciful Father, fount of every good and perfect gift; we give You praise and hearty thanks for all Your mercies; for Your goodness that has created us; Your bounty that has sustained us, Your Fatherly discipline that has corrected us; Your patience that has borne with us; and Your love that has redeemed us. Along with these gifts grant unto us a heart to love, worship, and serve You. Enable us to show our gratitude by giving ourselves to Your service and delighting in all things to do Your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.		
God Calls Us to Repentance		
New Testament Lesson	Mark 9:17–29	
This is the word of the Lord.		
Thanks be to God!		
General Prayer of Confession		
Our Father in heaven, please forgive our many sins. Have mercy upon us according to Your lovingkindness. According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out our iniquity. Create in us clean hearts; renew right spirits within us; increase our faith, and restore the joy of Your salvation, in Jesus’ name. Amen.		
Silent Prayers of Confession		
Prayer of Intercession		
Assurance of Forgiveness		Pastor Heath Cross
* Hymn	Though Troubles Assail Us	JOANNA
Though troubles assail us and dangers affright, Though friends should all fail us and foes all unite, Yet one thing secures us, whatever betide, The promise assures us, “The Lord will provide.”		
The birds, without garner or storehouse, are fed; From them let us learn to trust God for our bread. His saints what is fitting shall ne’er be denied So long as ’tis written, “The Lord will provide.”		
When Satan assails us to stop up our path, And courage all fails us, we triumph by faith. He cannot take from us, though oft He has tried, This heart-cheering promise, “The Lord will provide.”		
No strength of our own and no goodness we claim; Yet, since we have known of the Savior’s great name, In this our strong tower for safety we hide: The Lord is our power, “The Lord will provide.”		
God Calls Us to Give and Serve		
God’s Tithe and Our Offerings		
Anthem	The Lily of the Valley Stephens Valley Church Choir	arr. Larson
I have found a friend in Jesus, He’s everything to me. He’s the Lily of the Valley, in Him alone I see. In sorrow He’s my comfort, in trouble He’s my stay; He’s the fairest of ten thousand, my joy upon my way. He all my grief has taken, He all my		

sorrows borne. I've all for Him forsaken, from my heart all idols torn. Though all the world forsake me and Satan tempt me sore, He will never, no, never leave me till my life on earth is o'er. When my life on earth is over, when I have run this race, then, sweeping up to heaven, I'll see His blessed face! The Lily of the Valley, He keeps me by His pow'r! I've found a friend in Jesus, He's the bright and Morning Star!		
* Presentation of Gifts	DOXOLOGY	
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. 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 3:1–17	
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	The Lord of Wonders	Pastor Jim Bachmann
Prayer of Supplication		
God Calls Us to His Table		
Words of Institution		
Breaking the Bread	O Love That Will Not Let Me Go	arr. Shackley
Mr. David German, piano, and Ms. Lisa Barry, organ		
Sharing the Cup		
* Hymn	Jesus Calls Us	GALILEE
Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea, Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me."		
As, of old, apostles heard it by the Galilean lake, Turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for His dear sake.		
Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store, From each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."		
In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, Still He calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."		
Jesus calls us: by Thy mercies, Savior, may we hear Thy call, Give our hearts to Thine obedience, serve and love Thee best of all.		
* Benediction		
* Postlude	JOANNA	Bonighton
Ms. Lisa Barry, organ		
* congregation standing		

– ANNOUNCEMENTS –

**Greetings** to everyone this morning! In particular we welcome our visitors and thank you for joining us. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the cafeteria following our service.

**Building Update:** Harpeth Valley has approved our freshwater design enabling us to proceed with installation of the remaining pipe for the last fire hydrant. The Phase 3 power line was successfully installed under Pasquo Road last week. The masonry work continues at a steady pace. Two roofing crews have been working steadily on both the upper and lower roofs. The sprinkler and piping drains are being installed now. In-wall insulation will begin on Tuesday. Drywall installation is scheduled to start September 8.

**Thank you:** “What a blessing to be part of such a loving-caring family! Thank you for your phone calls, visits, cards and concern for Tom while he was in the hospital. Above all we thank you for your prayers. We felt your love and His presence.” — Nilda and Tom Allison

**Volunteers Needed:** We are in need of people who are willing to participate on the Communion Preparation Team. For more information, please contact Roy Pearson.

**Ladies Night Out:** All women of the church are invited to a gathering this Friday, September 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Dalts American Grill (38 White Bridge Road, 37205). Come and enjoy an evening of food (dutch treat), fellowship, sharing, and caring! Our mission emphasis is Tennessee Prison for Women. Suggested donations include envelopes, paper, folders, greeting cards, Bic pens and pencils, stamps, and Kleenex.



**Church Picnic:** Our church wide picnic is taking place on Saturday, September 7, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Gay Vance’s farm in Franklin. Along with a catered meal from Corky’s BBQ at 3:00 p.m., you’ll have a chance to show off your culinary skills by bringing your favorite dessert to share. There will be games for all ages, lots of fellowship, and the donkey cart is making an encore appearance! Don’t forget to bring your lawn chairs and picnic blankets. Please RSVP on the church website. Note: this event will take the place of Sunday Lunch in September.

**Care Ministries:** A new 13-week session of GriefShare begins today from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Stephens Valley Conference Center (441 Union Bridge Road, 37221). DivorceCare will begin tomorrow from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the small conference room at the Bellevue Public Library (720 Baugh Road, 37221). Both ministries will also offer “Surviving the Holidays” gatherings in November. All are invited and welcome to attend. You do not need to attend Stephens Valley Church to participate. For more information, go to the church website or contact Jan Evett or Vernon Prevatt.

– 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	Office closed
Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.	Sweet Half Hour of Prayer, 5031 Hillsboro Pike, in the St. Paul Chapel, first floor
Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.	Building Committee meeting (6000 Pasquo Road)
Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.	Choir rehearsal (Julia Green Auditorium)
Friday, 6:00 p.m.	Ladies Night Out (38 White Bridge Road, 37205)
Saturday, 2:00 p.m.	Church wide picnic



**WOSVC Fall Bible Studies:** The fall Bible studies begin this Tuesday, September 10. There are two different study books that will be offered. Registration will take place on Sundays in the school lobby. We encourage all women to prayerfully consider their involvement.

*The Lamb of God* by Nancy Guthrie (Cost: \$10)  
Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. led by Kristen Bachmann  
at the home of Mica Copeland

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. led by Karen Jones  
at the home of Donna Kimery

*Chosen by God* by R.C. Sproul (Cost: \$10)  
Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m. led by Susan Joseph  
at the home of Susan Joseph

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