***Offertory Hymn:** *Doxology* ..... *Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Offertory Prayer** *(unison)* ..... Thomas Brooks

Heavenly Father, every good gift comes from You. You give generously without refusing or reproaching anyone. May our gifts assist the preaching of the gospel, so that all can experience Your divine grace and mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Remembrance · Communion · Hope

Invitation to the Lord's Table..... Robert LeSuer

Communion Opening Prayer and Words of Institution ..... Robert LeSuer

Distribution of the Bread: *The body of Christ, broken for you.*

(Please note that for Communion we use both gluten-free and dairy-free bread or crackers.)

As you pass the bread/crackers, please say to the next person:
"The body of Christ, broken for you."

Upon receipt of the bread, please hold it until all have been served, so that we can partake of the bread together, as a sign of our oneness in Christ and membership in His corporate body—the Christian Church.

Distribution of the Cup: *The blood of Christ, shed for you.*

(Please note that for Communion the juice we use is non-alcoholic grape juice.)

As you pass the cup, please say to the next person:
"The blood of Christ, shed for you."

Upon receipt of the cup, please hold it until all have been served, so that we can partake of the cup together, as a sign of our oneness in Christ and membership in His corporate body—the Christian Church.

Please use the baskets we have provided in alternate rows for disposal of the used communion cups

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Prayer following Communion ..... Robert LeSuer

***Hymn No. 32:** *Great is Thy Faithfulness*..... *Faithfulness*

***Benediction** *(unison)* ..... Thomas Brooks

May we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever. Amen. *—based on 2 Peter 3:18*

Postlude: *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*..... *arr. Wolaver*

Monthly Prayer Focus

During October, let us pause our prayer petitions and give thanks to God for the many blessings He has bestowed on us personally and on Redeemer. As we pray, let us give thanks to God for:

- Being able to know God through His written Word and through the life of Jesus Christ here on earth.
- The love of Jesus Christ and His redeeming work on the cross, and for the gift of faith, that He has called us to be included in His Kingdom.
- Placing us in a country where the standard of living grants us plenty of opportunities for food, water, and physical comfort. All that we have comes from God. Let us ask ourselves: "Could I return a greater portion of that wealth, in a tithe or offering, to do God's work?"
- Our families, including our Redeemer family. At Redeemer, we are blessed with many leaders to continue the ministry and growth of this congregation.

Minister of Music and Worship: ..... Thomas Brooks
Accompanist: ..... Shirley Wilson
Ruling Elders: ..... Robert LeSuer, Amy Stearns, Zachary Harvey

Ways to Give to Redeemer:
- *Offering Plate*
- *Mail:* RPC Treasurer, c/o 115 W Lakeview Blvd., Erie, PA 16508
- *Online:* https://www.rpcerie.org/give

To contact the church: info@rpcerie.org

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Sunday Morning Worship

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2026

Worship Theme: *"Through changing circumstances, Jesus Christ remains the faithful Shepherd of His church."*

** The Congregation should please stand, if you are able to do so*

Welcome, Announcements, and Introduction to Worship ..... Thomas Brooks

Prelude: *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*.....*Purcell/Berry*

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one.
Holy Zion's help forever, And her confidence alone.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son.
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one.
One in might, and one in glory, while unending ages run.

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Connection/Request for Prayer

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

I'd like: ☐ Call from the pastor ☐ Prayer for: ☐ Confidential

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Call to Worship: *(responsively)* ..... Thomas Brooks

Liturgist: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Congregation: *(right side)* **Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,**

Congregation: *(left side)* **though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.**

Liturgist: Be still, and know that I am God;

Congregation: *(right side)* **I will be exalted among the nations,**

Congregation: *(left side)* **I will be exalted in the earth.**

All: **The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.** *—Psalm 46:1-3, 10-11*

***Hymn No. 92:** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*.... *Ein Feste Burg*

Old Testament Reading:

Deuteronomy 31:1-3, 6-8 ..... Mark Kmecik

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

A Moment for Children .....Shirley Wilson

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Hymn of Reflection: *What a Wonderful Savior!* ..... *Hoffman*

Christ has for sin atonement made. What a wonderful Savior!
We are redeemed! The price is paid! What a wonderful Savior!
What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Jesus!
What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Lord!

He gives me overcoming pow'r. What a wonderful Savior!
And triumph in each trying hour; What a wonderful Savior!
What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Jesus!
What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Lord!

Prayers of Confession..... Thomas Brooks

We will begin by praying a unison prayer of corporate confession.
Then, we will join in silently, confessing our personal sins.

Eternal God, You have called us into covenant with You, yet our commitment is shallow and our love is weak. We place lesser concerns high on our list of priorities and give You whatever time and energy are left.

Please forgive our sins, O God, and turn us again toward Your purposes. Please reform our lives by the renewing of our dedication to You. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, please give us a new sense of our calling, a new zeal in our faithfulness, a new compassion toward those in need, and a new appreciation for Your love for us, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

May we always be open to the reforming and refreshing wind of Your Holy Spirit. We pray through Christ our Savior, Lord, and King. Amen.

Note: The Congregation should please silently confess their sins.

Assurance of Pardon *(responsively)* ..... Thomas Brooks

Liturgist: If we confess our sins to him, he can be depended on to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong.

Congregation: **So there is now no condemnation awaiting those who belong to Christ Jesus. For the power of the life-giving Spirit (and this power is mine through Christ Jesus) has**

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freed me from the vicious circle of sin and death. *—1 John 1:9 and Romans 8:1-2*

Thanks be to God!

***Response Hymn:** *Gloria Patri*.....*Greatorex*

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**..... Thomas Brooks

Note: The Congregation will please turn to each other and speak these words of common greeting: "May the peace of Christ be with you." And the reply: "And, also with you."

Note: The children (K through 5th grade) attending Children's Church may go to their classroom.

Pastoral Prayer, Prayers of the People, and The Lord's Prayer..... Dean Wilson

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.

***Gospel Reading:** John 10:11-16, 27-30 ..... Mark Kmecik

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: "You're Grounded!"..... Robert LeSuer

Sermon Text: Hebrews 13:5-8

Offering: *Improvisation on Psalm 46*.....*Wilson*

God is our refuge and our strength, our ever-present aid,
And therefore, though the earth remove, we will not be afraid.
Though hills amid the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar,
Yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.

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