



REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

2261 Walton Way, Augusta, Georgia 30904

SOUNDING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

*Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.*

PRELUDE

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Dale Wood  
(1934—2003)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

Our God is a God near by, and not a God far off.

**The Lord fills the heavens and the earth. We are all beneath the shelter of his gaze.**

Many have tried to take the place of our Lord with false promises and grand claims, but there is only one God.

**Let the one who knows the Word speak it faithfully in the congregation.**

Let all who love the Lord praise his holy name.

**Let us worship the Lord!**

\*HYMN 645

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns On High*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Boyd Lien

**Holy One, we are fearfully and wondrously made, yet we treat ourselves poorly, as if we are shabby counterfeits of who you intended. Remind us, daily, that we are created in your image, we carry glory in our veins, we hold the imprint of the words “and God saw that it was good” on our hearts. We can’t undo your goodness, we can only neglect and distort it. You have made us out of love, and it is this love that renews and transforms us when we bend ourselves into the shape of the world. Help us stand tall, speak truth, embrace justice, and offer love—for this we were fashioned long, long ago.**

\*SILENCE

\*DECLARATION OF PARDON<sup>2</sup>

With assurance we can proclaim with the psalmist: If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,” even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you. For the light of Christ has overcome our darkness and we shall wander no more.

**Thanks be to God! Amen!**

\*HYMN 582

*Glory to God*

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

(K-2nd graders are now dismissed to Children’s Church)

Ms. Joy Maple

\*HYMN 836

*Abide With Me*

EVENTIDE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Casto-Waters

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 139:1-18

SERMON

ANTHEM

*Consider the Lilies of the Field*

Ronald E. Martin  
(b. 1955)

Consider the lilies of the field whose bloom is brief:  
We are as they; like them we fade away, as doth a leaf.  
Consider the sparrows of the air of small account:  
Our God doth view whether they fall or mount, He guards us too.  
Consider the lilies that do neither spin nor toil, yet are most fair:  
What profits all this care and all this coil?  
Consider the birds that have no barn nor harvest-weeks; God gives them food:  
Much more our Father seeks to do us good.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

OFFERTORY

*Voluntary on EVENTIDE*

Healy Willan  
(1880—1968)

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*Doxology*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Boyd Lien

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' 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 on 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.**

\*HYMN 643

*Now Thank We All Our God*

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Michael Helman  
(b. 1956)

\*All who are able please stand

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<sup>1</sup> based on Jeremiah 23:23-29

<sup>2</sup> based on Psalm 139

**Sunday, August 24, 2025**

## **Participating in Worship**

### ***Preaching***

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

### ***Worship Leaders***

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Rev. Boyd Lien

Ms. Joy Maple

### ***Musicians***

Dr. Wayne Lord

Chancel Choir

### ***Friendship Pad***

Jane Houston

### ***Ushers***

Will Salley

Phil Lee

Paul Rosenzweig

Trey Few

Tripp Wilson

Thomas Lee

### ***Audio/Visual Team***

Tyler Cashin

Max Vallotton

Blake Chambers

Jeff Futrelle

### **STAFF**

Reverend Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters, **Pastor, ext. 303**

Reverend Nadine Ellsworth-Moran, **Associate Pastor, ext. 301**

Reverend Boyd Lien, **Parish Associate, ext. 314**

Dr. Wayne Lord, **Organist/Choirmaster, ext. 315**

Mrs. Jenny Davison, **Children's Music Assistant**

Ms. Joy Maple, **Director of Christian Education, ext. 305**

Mrs. Anna Sanders, **Director of Mother's Day Out and Preschool, ext. 309**

Mrs. Lisa Smith, **Nursery Coordinator**

Miss Riley Taylor, **Children and Youth Ministry Assistant**

Mrs. Dawn McCraith, **Director of Operations, ext. 302**

Mrs. Becky Godbee, **Communications Liaison, ext. 300**

Mrs. Jenn Harrison, **Financial Assistant, ext. 307**

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### **SESSION (ELDERS)**

Denise Rosenzweig, Clerk

#### **Class of 2025**

Bill Davison  
Jennifer Frantom  
David Freeman  
Jean McKnight  
Amanda Mills  
Richard Morgan

#### **Class of 2026**

Shell Berry  
Indee Few  
John Franklin  
Jed Howington  
Cheryl Wilson  
Bennett Yort

#### **Class of 2027**

Dana Cook-Cheape  
Benton Johnson  
Richard Sasnett  
Charlene Sizemore  
Bob Speaks  
Marc Wilson, III

### **ACTIVE STEPHEN LEADERS**

Myra Naglich  
Mandy Boland  
Jones Miller  
Paul Luthman

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### **ACTIVE STEPHEN MINISTERS**

Jamie Driver  
Becky Godbee  
Joy Maple  
Barbara Miller  
Sonny Reece

Indee Few  
Carol Turner  
Kathryn McLeod  
Ann Overstreet  
Clay Stallworth

### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Linda Boyd, Moderator

#### **Class of 2025**

Linda Boyd  
Hubert Cooke  
Judy Brigham  
Jan Markle  
Carla Owen  
Gail Owens  
Harry Snowdy

#### **Class of 2026**

Jamie Driver  
Jerry Howington  
Sumner Markwalter  
Jones Miller  
Mary-Meghan Olmo  
Brannon Sell  
Sandra Wade  
Susan Wilson

#### **Class of 2027**

Alice Bielewicz  
Mary Anne Franklin  
Tommy Jones  
Lillian Magruder  
Myra Naglich  
Patty Reece  
Patrick Wells  
Bette Wright



**Hearing assistance.** Hearing aid wearers with a "T" (telecoil) setting can now hear the service broadcast directly through their hearing aids. Others desiring hearing assistance may check out a portable receiver / headset.