



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

2261 Walton Way, Augusta, Georgia 30904

SOUNDING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.

PRELUDE

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Ron Schmoltze
(1936—2018)

INTROIT

Come to the Table of Grace

Barbara Hamm
(b. 1943)

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

We come to taste and see that the Lord is good, to feast on grace, to believe in our belonging.

We come carrying the stories of exile in our bones, the wounds of sorrow on our hearts, and longing in our prayers.

Today we come from far corners, across languages and landscapes, to find the holy table set for us.

This is the table where memory is honored, where story is sacred, where strangers become siblings.

We come not because we are worthy, but because Christ calls us in love.

Come, let us worship the One who welcomes, the One who remembers, the One who feeds the whole world with hope.

*HYMN 321

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Boyd Lien

Lord of all perception, why do we attempt to fool you with our masks and diversions? We attempt to hide our sins from everyone but we can't hide our true selves from you. We fear your judgment; fear you might turn from us; fear that our place at the table may be taken away. But you breathe peace into our fears and quiet them. You calm us with your love that speaks forgiveness over us and welcomes us as we are, into your presence. May we come to you wholly ourselves, with all our raw flaws exposed, ready to receive healing in Christ.

*SILENCE

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

Here in this house of belonging we have found our place at the table and know ourselves to be part of the family of God, united in Christ, who welcomes us and proclaims us worthy.

Here our fears are met with assurance that Christ can be trusted; our resistance is overcome by Christ's love; our insatiable appetites are satisfied with the bread of life and cup of salvation. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

OFFERTORY

Be Present at Our Table, Lord

Robert Lau
(b. 1942)

Be present at our table, Lord; be here and ev'rywhere adored; thy creatures bless, and grant that we may feast in paradise with thee. O fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow with kindly thought and glowing word, thy love to tell, thy praise to show.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ms. Joy Maple and Rev. Ellsworth-Moran

(K-2nd graders are now dismissed to Young Musicians Choir and Children's Church)

*HYMN 498

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

BEACH SPRING

SCRIPTURE READING

Esther 4:9-17

SERMON

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...the only one who could change the world for the better and for the good of what was meant to be...

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

...Great is the mystery of Christ's love, great is the mystery of faith...

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...The Spirit of God speaks to us and abides with us and prays with us now as we pray...

Our Father...

*HYMN 306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Teach Us, Good Lord

Carl Schalk
(1929—2021)

Teach us, good Lord, to serve thee as thou deservest: To give and not to count the cost;

To fight and not to heed the wounds; To toil and not to seek for rest;

To labor and to seek for no reward save that of knowing that we do thy will.

Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Postlude on HYFRYDOL

Jason D. Payne
(b.1980)

*All who are able please stand

Bulletin Cover—from the St. John's Bible

Flowers—Please contact Mrs. Dianne Brown (706-799-8501) if you are interested in providing flowers for one of our worship services in the month of October.

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Sunday, October 5, 2025

Participating in Worship

Preaching

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Worship Leaders

Rev. Boyd Lien
Ms. Joy Maple

Musicians

Dr. Wayne Lord
Chancel Choir

Friendship Pad

Daniel McCall

Acolyte and Chimer

Henry Robbins and George Russell

Ushers

Marshall Brown	Catharine Lemmon
Harry Revell	Marc Wilson
Marc Wilson, Jr.	Monty Carlton

Audio/Visual Team

Tyler Cashin	Blake Chambers
Max Vallotton	Jeff Futrelle

STAFF

Reverend Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters, **Pastor**, ext. 303
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SESSION (ELDERS)

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Class of 2025

Bill Davison
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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706-631-0879

ACTIVE STEPHEN MINISTERS

Jamie Driver	Indee Few
Becky Godbee	Carol Turner
Joy Maple	Kathryn McLeod
Barbara Miller	Ann Overstreet
Sonny Reece	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
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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.