

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...Lord, in your mercy.

Hear Our Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father which 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Lord of All Good

Jack Brooks

***DOXOLOGY #607**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

—Sending—

***HYMN # 738**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Day is Done

Jack Brooks

You may be seated after the light passes you in the aisle.



*Serving God,
Honoring Creation,
Embracing Differences*



(*) Please rise in body or in spirit

Bold Italic Letters indicate congregational response

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, HENDERSON, TX

15th Sunday of Pentecost

September 21, 2025

—*Gathering*—

PRELUDE

O Come Sing Unto the Lord

Jack Brooks

WELCOME

Liturgist: Suzanne Cross

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Turn us, O God,
away from the world's temptations and distractions
Return us, O God,
to the quiet calm of your presence
Restore us, O God,
to the path you call us to follow
Orient us, O God,
to the hope of all that is possible through you.

*HYMN# 336

We Gather Together

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, our refuge, you lift up the lowly and hold out hope to the hopeless. Yet we who receive your grace so freely do not follow your example. We are quick to judge, eager to criticize, slow to show mercy. We gather and keep for ourselves what was meant to be shared. We diminish and dehumanize those around us. God of us all, hear this confession. Receive it. We ask for your forgiveness. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI #581

*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.*

—*Word*—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96

Bible p. 520-521, LG p. 677

GOSPEL

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 7:1-10

Bible p. 61, LG p. 79

SERMON

Say the Word

Rev. Dr. Evan Dolive

—*Response*—

*HYMN # 614

Great Are You, Lord

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from a Brief Statement of Faith)

*We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves
and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.*