



Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 12, 2025

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #370

“This is My Father’s World”

***Call to Worship (based on Psalm 66)**

Worship Leader

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

People: Sing to the glory of God’s name.

Leader: All of creation worships, singing praise to God.

People: Sing to the glory of God’s name.

All: Let us give glory to God.

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

Gathering Prayer

Lynne Barnes

Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: Holy God, when we are in need, we cry out for your mercy and healing. Yet, we confess that too often, we are confident in our own strength. We take the blessings to which we feel entitled and continue on our way, rather than returning to you in worship and praise. Jesus, have mercy on us! It is easy to take for granted our ease of life, while failing to question why others are pushed to the margins and excluded. Help us to grow in compassion for all people. Direct our paths so that we return to you, offering our praise and gratitude, now and always.

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: The saying is sure: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with him;

People: if we endure, we will also reign with him.

Leader: We are clothed with the righteousness of Christ.

People: Our sin is forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen!

Word

Stewardship Minute

David Christian

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Lynne Barnes

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson

Luke 17:11-19

Dr. Yvan Kelly

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

"A Grateful Heart"

Dr. Yvan Kelly

*Middle Hymn

"Cannons"

***Affirmation of Faith**

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.**

Prayers and Offering

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

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.

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: Holy and generous God, use the gifts we bring for healing and reconciliation in the world, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #804 v. 1, 2, & 5

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

Pumpkin Patch October 4 - 31 - Volunteers are still needed for our annual pumpkin patch. Hours for the pumpkin patch are Monday- Friday 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., and Sunday 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. A volunteer sign-up sheet is available in the narthex. If you have any questions, please see Shawn Brecht.

Session Meeting October 12 - The Session will meet today following worship.

Food Truck at the Pumpkin Patch on Saturdays - For the next 2 Saturdays, Cooped Up Kitchen food truck will be at the church during the Pumpkin Patch hours (10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.). See the newsletter tomorrow for their menu.

Church Office Closed October 23 - 24 - The church office will be closed Thursday, October 23, and Friday, October 24.

Fall Festival and Craft Fair October 25 - Mark your calendars now! The Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, October 25, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We will have craft vendors, food, a DJ and music, the pumpkin patch, children's activities, and more! Please make plans to come out for a great day of fun.

If you know someone who would like to participate as a vendor, either contact the church at 904.777.0006 or Deborah Ruth at Deborah.Ruth5250@gmail.com. We'd love to welcome more vendors to our Fall Festival - come be part of the fun!

Daylight Saving Time Ends November 2 - Daylight saving time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 2. Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour before going to bed Saturday, November 1.

Catalyst Praise Band November 2 - On Sunday, November 2, Catalyst, the praise band from Memorial Presbyterian Church in St. Augustine, will be leading our music during worship.

Bunko November 8 - The next Bunko night is scheduled for Saturday, November 8, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is required, and it is fun for all ages. A \$10.00 donation is asked for each person and includes dessert. All proceeds go to the church's building and grounds fund.

Financial Giving - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



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