CANTON
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2026

Worship for the Lord's Day

Established 1904

"The abundance of God erupts through the Gift" by Olena Kayinska, Ukraine

WELCOME! JUST AS YOU ARE, WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST TOGETHER, AND WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

☩ CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is coming. Whom will you serve?
As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord.
What has God done for you?
Wonderful works. Unforgettable deeds. Strength in the wilderness, paths of liberation!
Hope in God, whose story will never end.
Forever we will praise our faithful helper and deliverer!

☩ HYMN 42: *Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure*……..WINCHESTER NEW

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you keep your promises to us, but we are not as faithful. You give us Jesus as our guide and our light, but we shut him out with our anxieties, distractions, and idolatries. Forgive us, we pray. Help our living reflect our trust in you. Inspire us and give us courage, so that we may live the promise, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Amen.

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

☩ PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

☩ THE GLORIA: *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*….....GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

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.
World without end, without end, Amen. (x3) As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING…….Psalm 78:1-7

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,
things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.
We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord,
and his might, and the wonders that he has done.
He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;
that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.

OLD TESTAMENT READING……..Joshua 24:1-3A, 14-25

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *Making Promises*…….....The Reverend Esta Jarrett

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

☩ HYMN 687: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*……..ST. ANNE

☩ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH……..from The Confession of 1967

God has created human beings for a personal relation with Godself that they may respond to the love of the Creator. God has created all people and given them a life which proceeds from birth to death in a succession of generations and in a wide complex of social relations.
Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus. His faith and obedience were the response of the perfect child of God. He was the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel, the beginning of the new creation, and the pioneer of the new humanity. He gave history its meaning and direction and called the church to be his servant for the reconciliation of the world.
Now to him who by the power within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR POSSESSIONS……*Offerings may be made via our website or the Vanco app.*

☩ DOXOLOGY, HYMN 606: *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*……...OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Heaven and earth are yours, O Lord,
and of your own we give you.
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:
our time, our possessions, and our very selves.
Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love;
through the One who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH 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.

SENDING

☩ HYMN 313: *Lord, Make Us More Holy*……LORD, MAKE US MORE HOLY

☩ CHARGE AND BLESSING

☩ HYMN 601: *Amen*……..……DANISH AMEN

Amen. Amen. Amen.

☩ POSTLUDE

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Our staff are Rev. Esta Jarrett (Pastor) and Jeffrey Gonce (Music Director).
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