CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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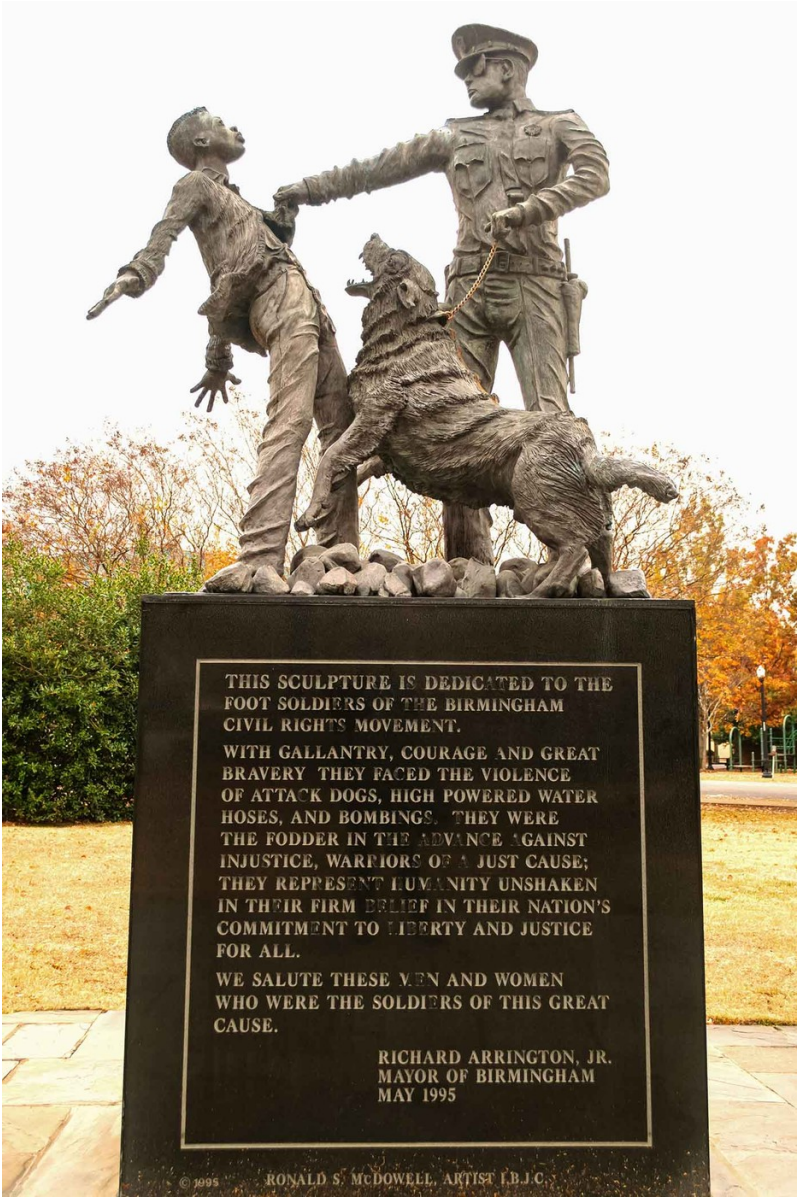


"Foot Soldiers" by Ronald S. McDowell
Kelly Ingram Park
Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument

October 12, 2025

The Order for Morning Worship

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025 — Ten-Thirty O'Clock

**At these moments, we invite you to stand in body or spirit*

Please silence all electronic devices prior to the service

Nursery is available in the Children's area on the lower level.
Children's church (age 3–5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon.

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Majesty" Jack Hayford

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of God's name.
People: How awesome are your deeds, O God!
We sing praises to your name.
Leader: Come and see what God has done:
turning the sea into dry land;
bringing us across the river Jordan.
People: How awesome are your deeds, O God!
We sing praises to your name.
Leader: Even when God has tested us;
even when we have gone through fire and water:
People: God has brought us out to a spacious place.
Our God is an awesome God!

***Hymn 394** "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" Westminster Abbey

***Prayer of the Day (*in unison*)**

Past, Present, and Future God,
Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer,
help us to remember home and to hope in the promised land,
that we might know you, Alpha and Omega, Three in One. Amen.

Call to Confession

Even when we are faithless, Christ remains faithful.
Trusting in grace, let us confess our sins.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.
We keep our distance from you,
for we are broken and sick with sin.
Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole.
Forgive us when we forget to return to you—
have mercy when we fail to praise your name,
and help us to exude the faith that makes us well. Amen.

Kyrie: Hymn 576 Singapura

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news: Your call has been answered.
Christ has healed you, and forgives your sin.
With glad hearts, return praise to God.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

***Gloria: Hymn 583** GLORIA (Taizé)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Message for Children

Following the Children's sermon, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to follow the teachers out for kids' church. Nursery continues to be available starting at 9:00 AM until the conclusion of worship.

Leader: Now let us bless each other.
Adults: God be with you as you go.
Children: God be with you as you stay.

Prayer for Illumination

These are your words, O God.
Humble us to speak their weight.
Strengthen us to hear their truth.
Unbind us to live their call.
Through the power of your Holy Spirit,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen**.

Hebrew Reading *"Israel Plants Gardens in Babylon"* Jer. 29:1, 4–14
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, pp. 638–39
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 894–95

Epistle Reading *"We Will Live with Christ"* 2 Timothy 2:8–15
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 967
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, p. 259

***Hymn 817** "We Walk by Faith and Not By Sight" DUNLAP'S CREEK

Gospel Reading *"The Healed Leper Thanks Jesus"* Luke 17:11–19
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 852
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, p. 98

Sermon "Discipleship 101: Make the Best of Babylon" Rev. Michael Wallace

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed,* p. 35

Prayers of the People *and* the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "Lord, Make Me an Instrument" Jonathan Willcocks
Sarah Pozderac-Chenevey, *alto*

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, may there be union, where there is doubt, faith;
Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
where there is despair, let there be hope, where there is darkness, light,
where there is sadness, may there be joy!
Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
May we all be in peace, and only peace,
and may that peace come unto each of us.

***Doxology: Hymn 606** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God, all creatures here below!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication (*in unison*)**

Small and humble in comparison
we give to you
that you might mold
our world anew. Amen.

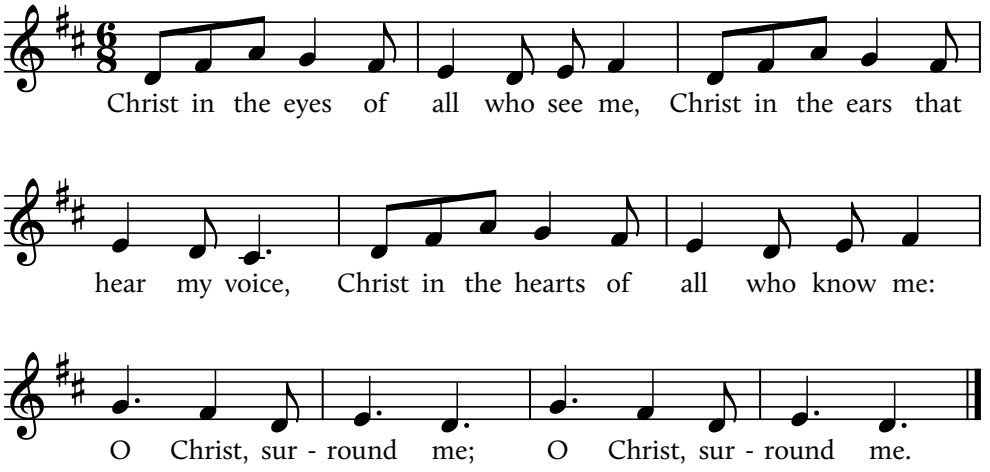
RE-ENTRY INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE THE LORD

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn 772** "Live Into Hope" TRURO

***Benediction**

Response "O Christ, Surround Me" GREEN TYLER



Voluntary Fantasia in G Scott Turner

This morning we welcome guest organist Scott Turner

Activities for the Week of October 12, 2025

Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:30 AM	Worship Service (Chapel)
8:30 AM	Youth Group Trip (Kennywood)
9:15 AM	Sunday School (Various)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
12:00 PM	New Member Class (Parlor)

Monday

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (Parlor)
6:00 PM	Open Table Small Group (Pine Room)
6:30 PM	G.I.F.T.S. Small Group (Offsite)

Tuesday

9:30 AM	Pastors' Bible Study (Parlor)
11:15 AM	Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:00 PM	Property Meeting (Parlor)
6:00 PM	Personnel Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday • Tydings Deadline

8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Online)
1:00 PM	Faithful Friends Small Group (Parlor)
7:00 PM	Deacon Meeting (Parlor)

Thursday

9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study (Parlor)
5:30 PM	Faith Build Dedication (Offsite)
7:15 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Friday

7:00 PM	Concert Series: Verona Quartet (Sanctuary)

Sunday, October 19, 2025

8:30 AM	Worship Service (Chapel)
9:00 AM	Children and Youth Music Rehearsal (Various)
9:15 AM	Sunday School (Various)
9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
12:00 PM	Mission Fair (Westminster Hall)

The Cathedral Hour this morning is made possible
by the Louella Williams Endowment

The chancel flowers are given in loving memory
of our father, Erich Dominik, by Kai, Heather, and Angela

Daily Grace

Using the liturgy from this Sunday's Order of Worship,
we enter into worship and prayer every day of the week.
We worship together…separately.

Scripture Readings: Worship texts for October 19, 2025

Mon: Jeremiah 31:27–34	Thurs: Luke 18:1–8
Tues: Psalm 119:97–104	Fri: Jeremiah 31:27–34
Wed: 2 Timothy 3:14–4:5	Sat: Psalm 119:97–104

Liturgist: Wendy Gray

Christ Presbyterian Church

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Rev. Benjamin George
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