



**October 12, 2025**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

Reverend Ed Hoener

**Call To Worship:**

Merciful God, everywhere we may be, you meet us with faithful love. **Every day, You provide resources for living our lives.** Jesus, your presence is a source of strength, that moves us to seek your ways. **As we follow you, we directly experience that power.** Holy Spirit, you bless our talents, and provide gifts beyond our own, so that wherever we are we can make a difference. **Come Holy Spirit, send us your light and truth that we may live in the center of God's will.**

**\*Hymn of Praise #39**

***Great Is Thy Faithfulness***

**Call to Reconciliation**

**Prayer of Reconciliation :**

**O God, we're grateful, knowing that nothing can separate us from Your love. We draw hope from the assurance that You always work with our lives as they actually are. Forgive and restore us when our burdens get the best of us. Help us to start again, following You. Amen.**

*Silent Prayers*

**Assurance of Grace:**

With great love, God heals and strengthens us for holy living. **Gratefully, we receive these gifts, for living in Christ's Spirit. Amen.**

**\*Response of Praise #743**

***O God, You Are My God***

**Sharing the Peace of Christ:**

The peace of Christ is not the absence of conflict or trouble. It is the serenity of knowing that God is with us, and life and wellness will have the last word. Let us share the peace of Christ with each other. The peace of the Lord be with you! **And also with you!**

**Scripture Reading**

*Psalm 66:5-12*

**Ministry of Music**

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*Jer. 29:1, 4-9*

**Message**

Pastor Ed

**\*Hymn of Faith #28**

***You Are Before Me, Lord***

**vss. 1, 3 & 5**

\*If you can stand comfortably, please do so.

## **Celebrating Passion Enterprises**

*Sharing what God has done in each other's lives is a source of encouragement, and reminds us that faith, and prayer and grace are at work! Please come to the lectern and share your testimony so that everyone may see and hear.*

## **Prayer Requests and 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.**

### **Call to Offering**

#### **\*Offering Song #710**

#### ***We are an Offering***

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering, we are an offering.**

#### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

#### **Announcements (pg. 4)**

#### **\*Hymn of Response #749**

#### ***Come! Live in the Light!***

#### **Charge and Blessing**

#### **Postlude**

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## **Announcements**

**Thank you to Scott Nwosu & William Siocha for running the projector & camera!**

*Join our Worship Support Team! For more information, ask the pastor or the technicians or call the church office.*

### **Movie Night – HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA**

Bring your family and friends and join us for pizza and beverages for a viewing of the animated, PG rated movie *Hotel Transylvania*. The movie will be shown in the Squier Hall Pink Room with our newly installed projection & sound system on **Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**. Please email the church office ([office@1stpresrahway.org](mailto:office@1stpresrahway.org)) to **reserve** your seat(s) so we know the quantities of pizza and drinks to order.

### **Neighborhood Town Hall**

On Saturday, **November 8, at 10 am**, our first Public Town Hall will be held in Davis Hall. Its purpose is to introduce our church's mission and ministries to our neighbors. There will be refreshments, presentations about our church and the latest project: the Union Street Resource Center; and the many opportunities for service to our community it offers. Please place the date on your iPhones and calendars. Invite everyone you know who might be interested. Stay tuned for more details as they become available.

### **Chair Yoga**

If you have been looking for a low impact exercise, your search is over. Cheryl Anne Cammann is starting a yoga experience where all the movements are done while seated in a chair. The movements gently work the muscles in your torso, arms and legs, strengthening and toning. Each participant works at their own level, gaining more flexibility and strength over time. If this sounds like "your kind of thing" contact Cheryl Anne through the church email ([office@1stpresrahway.org](mailto:office@1stpresrahway.org)) to find out when sessions are being held and to sign up. The sessions are each 45 minutes long and offered during morning and evening hours.

- ⇒ **Food collection will continue during the month of October.**
- ⇒ **Volunteers needed for Election Day, November 4<sup>th</sup>; please speak to Al Shipley.**
- ⇒ ***Fabulous Finds* HOLIDAY Mini Mart will be held on November 16th, 9 am – 2 pm.**



**Online Donations**

#### **PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK**

Christine Jeffries

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

William S. Jr., Roberta D, Edna, Sue K., Kaiser, Portia & family, Agnes N. & family, Ken & Gail, Rick C., Ellen, Anne H., Flo, Leo & family, Mike & family, Carol & Jake, Savannah B. & family, Carole H., Becky, John, Sam, Michael, Sara & Joan P., Mary "Cookie" F., Nicole, Allison, Mary R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Helene & Diane, Dorothy R., Amy

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October 12, 2025  
Rev. Ed Hoener  
Kennedy Nyambi  
Carol Ann Bregman  
Evan O'Donovan

10:30 A.M.  
Pastor  
Worship Leader  
Administrator  
Music Director