

**Communion Hymn #516**    *Lord, We Have Come At Your Own Invitation*

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Invitation to the Table

**Prayers of the People and 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 and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Supper

Prayer of Blessing

**\*Closing Hymn #435**    *We Are All One in Mission*

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**    *At Length There Dawn a Glorious Day*                      James Mansfield  
Belinda Vair – Accompanist/Choir Director

*Thank you to The Music & Worship Committee for providing  
us with this morning's coffee hour/fellowship time.*

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**August 3, 2025**

**10:30am**

**WELCOME: TO THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, WITH JOHNSTOWN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. WELCOME TO ALL JOINING US HERE AND ON YOUTUBE. PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHARE THE SERVICE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY. WE WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT YOU ALWAYS HAVE A PLACE HERE.**

**LAURA RUEHLE**

**Mission of the Month**    Veterans & Community Housing Coalition  
Guest Speaker: Shelley Kibbe

**Prelude**     *Wonderful Peace Medley*     arr. by James Koerts  
Belinda Vair-Accompanist/Choir Director

**Choral Introit**

**Call To Worship**     Laura Ruehle

Leader: Gathered in from many lands,

**People: we come from east and west, from north and south.**

Leader: Some of us have wandered through deserts.

**People: Some of us are hungry and thirsty.**

Leader: But the Holy One heard our pleas

**People: and has delivered us from our distress.**

Leader: So we come with prayers of thanksgiving,

**People: for God's steadfast love endures forever.**

**(PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT)**

**\*Opening Hymn #411**     *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

**Call To Confession**     Mona Cole

Praise is on our lips, but in our hearts we know how far we have fallen from the glory of God. Yet God meets us in our sin, picks us up, and promises forgiveness. Let us make our confession and open ourselves to God's mercy.

**Prayer of Confession**     Mona Cole

Leader: Faithful God, we confess our faithlessness. Our hearts are fickle, our eyes wander, and we trick ourselves into serving other gods. We speak lies, accept lies, live lies, destroying others and ourselves along the way.

**People: Forgive our waywardness and lead us back to you. Embolden our trust in your faithfulness and settle your truth in our hearts.**

Leader: Let us take a moment for silent confession and personal reflection.

**Assurance of Pardon**     Mona Cole  
Good Friends: God is at work in us! God is alive in us! God Lives – but sin is dead, and our sins are forgiven through Christ, our Savior.  
**All: Alleluia! Amen.**

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**\*Gloria Patri**  
**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.**

**Prayer for Illumination**     Helen Thompson  
Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Scripture Reading**  
(New Testament)     Matthew 10:21-31     (Pew Bible Page #10 )

Helen Thompson  
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God. And we all say:  
**People: Thanks be to God**

**Anthem**     *I Worship You, Almighty God*     Mary McDonald

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**     The Rev. Dr. RW Williams

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Sermon**