

THE SESSION

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Kingston Presbyterian Church

Conway, South Carolina

Organized 1858

July 19th, 2026

8th Sunday after Pentecost | 10:30AM

Chiming of the Hour

Leader: May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us prepare our hearts for worship.

Prelude

“Largo from Xerxes”

Handel

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”

Anonymous

GOD CALLS US TO PRAISE HIM

† Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: O Lord, you have searched us and known us.

People: Before we move or think or speak, you know our actions and our words.

Leader: You breathed life into us and shaped us in human form to serve your purpose and sing your praise.

People: We praise you for the gifts of substance and spirit, of acceptance and expectancy, of lineage and legacy.

Leader: How wonderful are your thoughts, O God!

People: How vast is the expanse of your grace and love!

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: The Lord’s name be praised!

† Hymn No. 392

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
We come before You, acknowledging that You know us completely. You see our thoughts, our actions, and the intentions of our hearts. We confess the sins we have tried to hide, the pride that has crept into our lives, and the moments we have turned away from Your guidance. Search us, O God, and reveal any hidden faults within us. Help us to walk in Your truth and to embrace the peace that comes from knowing You are always with us. Lead us in the way everlasting...In Christ’s name we pray. Amen!

Silent Confession

Kyrie
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon
Leader: Hear the good news of the gospel...though our sins be as scarlet, in Christ they shall be washed whiter than snow.
People: Thanks be to God for making us new in the power of the Spirit.

† 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.

GOD BLESSES US WITH HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading Psalm 139: 1-10, 23-24 O.T. Pew Bible No. 448
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

† Psalter “Psalm 48A” SEE INSERT

New Testament Reading Romans 8:24-27 N.T. Pew Bible No. 121
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “The Searcher of Hearts” Rev. Joel M. Long

† Affirmation of Faith (Unison) “The 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.

† Hymn No. 296 “Search Me, O God” ELLERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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. 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.

GOD SEEKS OUR COMMITMENT

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “The Lord of the Dance” arr. Hayes

† Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

GOD CALLS US TO RESPOND

† Hymn No. 238 “Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him” HYFRYDOL

† Charge and Benediction

† Closing Response
*“Danish Amen”
Amen, Amen, Amen.*

† The Postlude “Nun Danket Alle Gott” Bach

** Participating in today’s worship service is Daniela Redlin, Liturgist.