

THE SESSION

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Kingston Presbyterian Church

Contway, South Carolina

Organized 1858

August 2nd, 2026

10th 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

“Soliloquy ”

Young

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

Whelpton

GOD CALLS US TO PRAISE HIM

† Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Come, all who are weary.

People: Christ strengthens us with love and grace.

Leader: In this strength, we can do all things.

People: We are here, ready to receive God’s blessings.

† Hymn No. 24

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

MARION

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
Come to us, Holy God, even in our times of resistance. Work within and through us, even when we wrestle with doubt and despair. Enlighten and guide us, even in our darkest hours. Bless us and call us by name, even when we reject your presence. Hold us and love us, even when we try to run away. When we feel beaten down by the world and are weary with fatigue and sorrow, nourish us with your mercy and your grace. Fill us with your love, that we may go forth with confidence and faith. In your mighty name we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon
Leader: God’s strength is enough. Christ’s forgiveness is sure.
People: Through God’s strength and Christ’s grace, we are blessed, loved, and made whole.

† **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 145:8-9, 14-21 O.T. Pew Bible No. 451
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

† **Psalter** “Psalms 17A” SEE INSERT

New Testament Reading Matthew 14:13-21 N.T. Pew Bible No. 12
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “Miracle By The Sea” Rev. Frank Holsclaw

† **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. 231** “Break Thou the Bread of Life” BREAD OF LIFE

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 “Hymn of Promise” arr. Sleeth

† **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. 41** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” BLAENWERN

† **Charge and Benediction**

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

† **The Postlude** “Nachspiel” Bruckner

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