

Morning Worship – August 23, 2026

Pastoral Greeting

Call to Worship: Psalm 148 *(NKJV pg. 439)*

Invocation

* Psalm: 148B

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 96 *(NKJV pg. 417)*

New Testament Reading: Acts 10:1-23 *(NKJV pg. 769)*

Prayer for Illumination

* Psalm 96A

Sermon Text: Exodus 18:1-12 *(ESV pg. 59) (NKJV pg. 50)*

Sermon Title: *Good News in the Desert*

Pastoral Prayer

* Psalm 96D

Presenting our Gifts to the LORD

* Doxology - Psalm 41C

* Benediction

* = **PLEASE STAND IF ABLE**

*Page numbers for Scripture readings are: New King James (NKJV)
or English Standard Version (ESV) pew Bibles*

Today's Schedule

10:00 am – Morning Worship

11:30 am – Sermon Discussion

12:15 pm – Informal Fellowship Lunch

6:00 pm – Evening Fellowship

Announcements

**Welcome to all as we gather in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ
to worship the living and true God!**

➤ Our precentor this week is Jake Goerner, and the presiding elder is Jeff Bulow – next week's precentor will be Greg Moberg, and the presiding elder will be Ryan Somerville. We will continue to provide the Zoom link each week for those unable to worship in-person.

➤ Everyone is welcome to come early (9:15 am) each Lord's Day to enjoy breakfast together before Morning Worship (please contact Collin Cragon for breakfast details). Each week, there is also an opportunity to enjoy fellowship together over lunch following our Prayer Meeting or Sermon Discussion. Everyone is welcome to join in this – If you are able, please bring food to share if you plan to stay *(if everyone who is able brings a little more than you would normally make for Sunday lunch, there will be plenty to share)*.

➤ **Evening Fellowship** will be at 6 pm tonight at the church building. We will be reading a chapter in the Old & New Testaments, sharing and praying for items of concern and praise, and singing Psalms. Everyone is encouraged to come for this time of fellowship together.

➤ **Communicant members, please respond by next Sunday, August 30, to the survey Session has developed and emailed to the congregation to determine the sense of the congregation with respect to a 2nd Teaching elder.** There are three options presented to you, and an opportunity to provide thoughts or feedback if desired. If you are a communicant member of the congregation, please vote according to your conscience in faith.

➤ **Please update your calendars with these changes to some of our church events: Next Saturday (8/29) at noon - Calvin's Graduation Party at the O'Brien's (1529 Shoecraft Road, Penfield)**

>Sept. 12 - Pizza Party at Stephen & Terri's with McDonald's cooking

>Sept. 19 - Pizza Party Rain Date.

➤ **RP Global Missions Prayer Request** – Please pray for our mission in Central Asia. Pray that the leadership of the country will root out corruption. Pray for the local believers. Ask God to grant them faithfulness in their walk. Pray for the SR people, that God would deliver them from sin and Satan. Ask God to sustain the team's health. Pray for guidance and direction regarding the future of the team—especially regarding the possibility of new team members.