

Welcome and Announcements

- **Welcome Visitors!** Please fill out a visitors' card and place it in an offering plate as you exit the sanctuary.
- **New Members Class:** if you are interested in joining Ridley Park Presbyterian Church or just learning more about us, join us in the parlor at 10:05 November 1, 8, 15, and 22.
- **Nursery Care and Sunday School** are available during our 9 am worship service.
- **Senior Luncheon:** All Seniors are invited to a luncheon on Wednesday, October 14 at 12 noon. Keith Lockhart, local historian will do a presentation about Ridley Park and local places of interest.
- **October Collection:** We are collecting the following non-perishable foods for Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Items can be placed in the wooden collection box in Friendship Hall: Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Sweet Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing mix, Canned Vegetables and Cranberry Sauce. All donations are needed by November 1.
- **Youth Group:** Youth in grades 6-12, join us TODAY at 12:15 in the Youth Room. We will be heading to John Heinz Wildlife Preserve for a hike, devotional, and ice cream on the way home. Make sure you hand in your signed permission slip.
- **GriefShare:** Meets from 6 – 7:30 on Tuesday evenings in the church parlor and is for anyone struggling with the loss of a loved one.
- **Women's Bible Study** has begun studying The Names of God from Lifeway Publishing. We meet on Thursdays until November 12, 2026 from 6:30 - 8:00 PM in Friendship Hall. Please sign up on our website. Study guides are on Amazon or Lifeway websites. Links are in the all-church email.
- **Men's Bible study** begins this Thursday, October 15 at 6:30 pm in the Parlor.
- **Bell Choir:** Our bell choir is looking for new members. They rehearse Tuesday evenings from 7 - 8:30. All are welcome to join!

Opening Prayer

* **Opening Hymn #450**

Lift High the Cross

* **Responsive Reading**

Psalm 25

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul; in you I trust, O Lord my God. Show me your ways, O Lord and teach me your paths;

People: Guide me in your truth and teach me for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

Leader: Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

People: Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways.

Leader: According to your love remember me, for you are good, O Lord.

People: All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful toward those who keep his covenant.

Leader: The Lord confides in those who fear him. He makes his covenant known to them.

People: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul; in you I trust, O Lord my God.

*** Hymn #548**

As the Deer

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of experiments, dreams, and creativity, we confess that we have fallen short of your will for us. We have squandered our gifts to promote our own egos. We have worked our connections for our own selfish gain. We have focused on the wrong goals of money, privilege, and power. We have stepped on others to reach the top. Forgive us, we pray, in your abundant mercy. Help us to see the error of our ways and rebirth in us something new. May our talents build one another up; may our connections foster compassionate community; may our goals be worthy in your sight.

Time for Silent Prayer

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Hymn #654 (remain seated)

Change My Heart, O God

Scripture

Selected Psalms

Psalms 118:29 "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good."

Psalms 119:68 "You are good and what you do is good."

Psalms 136:1 "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good."

Psalms 145:9 "The Lord is good to all."

Sermon: The Goodness of God

Dave Knox

Congregational Prayer

*** Hymn #552**

I Am Thine, O Lord

*** Benediction**

*** Closing Chorus #233**

Grace, Love and Fellowship

** if comfortably able, please stand*