ridley park PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order for Worship

Traditional Worship Service
11:00 AM, October 25, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

- **Welcome Visitors!** Please fill out a visitors' card from the pew rack in front of you and place it into an offering plate near a sanctuary exit.
- **Nursery and Sunday School** are available during our 9 am worship service.
- **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.
- **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** meets on Thursdays at 6:30 pm in Friendship Hall.
- **Men's Bible study** meets on Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Parlor.
- **New Members Class:** if you are interested in joining Ridley Park Presbyterian Church or just learning more about us, join us in the church parlor at 10:05 November 1, 8, 15, & 22.
- **Youth Group**: Today from 12:15–2:15 PM. We'll build life-sized scarecrows, enjoy food and games, and continue our study of the next few verses in the Book of James. Bring some old clothing items to dress your scarecrow (shirts, pants, hats). Get ready for an afternoon of creativity, fun, and fellowship!
- **Christmas Choir** began rehearsing today between services in the sanctuary. No auditions needed. All are welcome to join.

Opening Prayer

* **Opening Hymn #21** O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

* **Affirmation of Faith** (Unison) Colossians 1:15-20

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

* **Hymn #353** Victory In Jesus

Responsive Reading Psalm 103: 8, 10-14

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love….

People: He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

Leader: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him;

People: As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Leader: As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.

People: For he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

Hymn #684 (remain seated) Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Sermon: The Scars No One Sees Lynn Craig

Scripture Colossians 3:12-14

[12] Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. [13] Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. [14] And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Congregational Prayer

* **Hymn #436** Freely, Freely

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus #233** Grace, Love and Fellowship

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