

Long Beach Presbyterian Church

"Reaching up to God – Reaching out to others"

August 16, 2026

As we enter the Sanctuary we speak to God.

As we remain, God speaks to us.

As we depart, we speak to each other.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing with joy,

People: For God guides us all with justice and equity.

Leader: Let the people praise God, for how we have been blessed;

People: Come let us worship and offer all honor and praise.

***HYMN #101** "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Merciful God, your world cries out. The fruits of our disobedience are harming your creation. You tasked us to be good stewards of your creation and we have fallen short. You challenged us to love God and love our neighbor, and we have failed to show that love. You promise to bring all people joyfully together in a house of prayer on your holy mountain. We find ways to stay apart. Bring us together, O Lord. Empower us with a spirit of love for you and love for all our neighbors. Help us live lives of service to you so that all your children will know your peace. Forgive us when we fall short and continue to transform your world, leading us to your promised kingdom. In Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN #489 "Pass Me Not"

* Those who are able, please stand.

*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *(debts/debtors)*

Leader: Lord in Your mercy...

People: Hear our prayers.

***HYMN #813** "Glory Be to the Father"

THE LESSONS Amanda Braud

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 (p. 1304)

Matthew 15:10-28 (p. 1130)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Who Are the Dogs in Your Life?" Keith Cox

VIDEO ANTHEM BYU Noteworthy

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

THE OFFERING

***HYMN #815** "The Doxology"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the 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 arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 #435** "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us. If you are interested in joining Long Beach Presbyterian Church or becoming an Associate Member, please speak with any member of the Session.

Please join us after the service for refreshments in the dining room. These are available every week except for the first Sunday of each month when we have our larger Fellowship Lunch.

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MEMBERS OF THE SESSION

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AUGUST – OCTOBER CALENDAR

- Aug 22nd - Presbytery Meeting, Fondren PC, Jackson, MS
Food Pantry, 10:00 AM - Noon
- Aug 23rd - Worship Service, 11:00 AM
- Aug 30th - Joint Worship Service **at Pineville**, 11:00 AM
- Sept 6th - Worship Service and Communion, 11:00 AM
**Congregational Meeting to elect a member
of the congregation to serve on the Elder
Nominating Committee.**
Fellowship Lunch (after Worship)
- Sept 13th - Worship Service, 11:00 AM
- Sept 20th - Worship Service, 11:00 AM
- Sept 27th - Worship Service, 11:00 AM
- Oct 4th - Joint Worship Service and Communion, 11:00 AM
Fellowship Lunch (after Worship)
Joint Session Meeting w/Pineville, 1:00 PM

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'She begged, "Lord, help me!"

**Jesus replied, "It is not right to take the children's
bread and toss it to the dogs."**

~ Matthew 15:25-26

