



September 20, 2026

Call to Worship

From Psalm 147:1-3

Pastor: Praise the Lord!

People: It is good to sing praises to our God;

Pastor: O Spirit, have mercy upon us.

People: It is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

Pastor: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

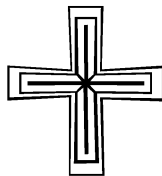
People: The Lord lifts up the humble;

Pastor: He casts the wicked to the ground.

People: Be gracious unto us. Save us, Lord . . .

All: Praise the Lord! It is good to sing praises to our God!

Amen.♦



PRAYER of INVOCATION

from Matthew 3:16-17

SONG of ADORATION

“Behold Our God”

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Confession and Assurance

READING of GOD’S LAW

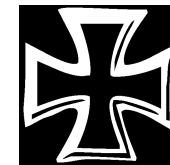
Hear God’s Law, His Will for Your Life, from Philippians 2:12-18

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



PRAYER of CONFESSION

Augustine, J. Calvin

Pastor: Lord, our hearts are restless. They are deceitful and full of wickedness.

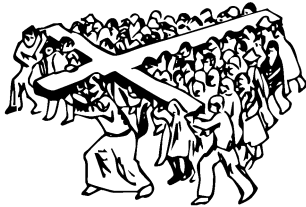
People: Yet You are gracious to us through Christ.

Pastor: Lord, we ask that our restless, wandering hearts find their rest in You.

People: Grant us repentance, contrite spirits, and new desires, and wash us in the blood of the Lamb.

Pastor: Help us to despise our transgressions and to hold fast to the hem of your garment.

All: Here are our hearts, Lord. We offer them to You—promptly and sincerely—for the sake of your Son. Amen. ♦



ASSURANCE of PARDON *from Rom. 8:34 and 2 Cor. 5:17*

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God! **Amen.** ♦

SONG of RESPONSE “He Will Hold Me Fast” #598

Life of Worship

PROFESSION of FAITH

Westminster #1, 3, 24

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

All: Man’s chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.

Leader: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him?

All: The Word of God—which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments—is the only sufficient and certain rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him.

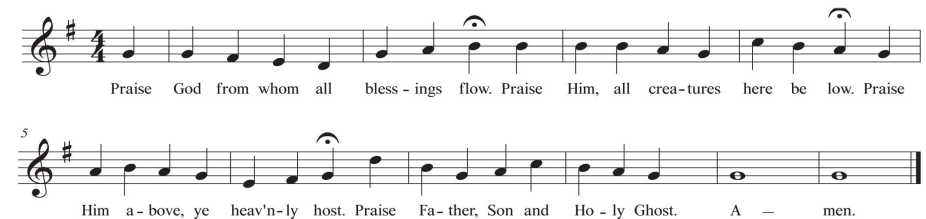
Leader: How does Christ give us the ability to fulfill this end?

All: Christ, our Redeemer, is a Prophet, Priest, and King. As a Prophet, He reveals to us the will of God for our salvation. As a Priest, He offered Himself as a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and to reconcile us to God. And as a King, He subdues us to Himself, rules and defends us, and conquers all His and our enemies. Amen. ♦

OFFERING

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PRAYER of DEDICATION

POSTLUDE

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

Q. 30. How does Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.

(Ps. 110:3; Matt. 2:6; 1 Cor. 15:25)

(Children age 3 through grade 5 may go to Judson Kids.)

PRAYER of INTERCESSION

Ministry of the Word

HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" #434

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 12:9-17 p. 1127

SERMON "Bless and Do Not Curse" Pastor Zach

SONG of DEPARTURE "My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"

My friends, may you grow in grace,

And in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace,

And in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

To God be the glory, now and forever!

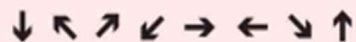
Now and forever, Amen! (Repeat)

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BENEDICTION

What did Paul tell the Romans to do?

Find the fully capitalized words from the passage below in the word search.



HATE what is EVIL; CLING to what is GOOD.

Be DEVOTED to one ANOTHER in LOVE.

HONOR one another above YOURSELVES.

NEVER be LACKING in ZEAL,

but KEEP your SPIRITUAL FERVOR,

SERVING the LORD.

Be JOYFUL in HOPE, PATIENT in AFFLICTION,

FAITHFUL in PRAYER.

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This Week's Sermon

Turn on your TV or head to the movie theater and odds are, if a wedding is depicted, you'll hear at least part of I Corinthians 13, a beautiful composite sketch of the kind of *agape* love Christians should have for each other, full of compassion and forgiveness, and driven by the fruit of the Spirit. But there is another passage that takes it one step farther, showing what this love looks like where the rubber meets the road.

Welcome Card

First Time at Judson?

If you would like to get connected with our church, or learn more about us, a good place to start is by scanning the QR code below and filling out the welcome card. (Ask an usher if you would like a paper card to fill out.)



Today, we take a brief aside from our series on the Gospel of John, an inspiring and challenging book of the Bible that is famously accessible to the newest of believers or curious seeker and so deep that no one can reach the bottom in a lifetime of study.

Giving at Judson

We give as part of our service, as an act of worship and thanksgiving. If you would like to give online, please reference one of the cards in the friendship pad.

Aug Budget: \$14,988

Aug Giving: \$13,563

YTD Budget: \$119,906

YTD Giving: \$114,155

YTD Income: \$119,355

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Announcements

Be sure to fill out **the red friendship pad** and pass it on. When done, please return it to the inside aisle.

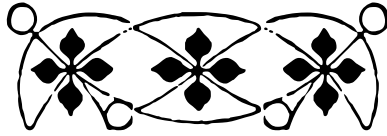
Our **mission focus for this month is the World Mission Offering**. The gifts received will go directly to support our partners, Debbie and Keith Myers, as well as John and Amanda Good. These faithful missionaries are serving in impactful ways around the world, and our giving allows us to share in their work. Please continue to pray for them and give generously so that the message of Christ may reach even more lives.

Mark your calendars for a **Pig Roast** on September 26th at Mark and Lori Zajac's place in Sears, Michigan. More details to follow!

Sam Pulice is looking for adult volunteers to help with the youth group Anything But a Pumpkin Carving Contest.



This Week at Judson



TONIGHT

530pm Mens Group
730pm Iglesia Restauración

MONDAY

Church office closed

TUESDAY

10am-2pm Church Office Open

WEDNESDAY

10am-2pm Church Office Open
1100am Love Clothing Center
630pm Iglesia Restauración

THURSDAY

10am-2pm Church Office Open

FRIDAY

10am-1pm Church Office Open
630pm Iglesia Restauración

SATURDAY

900am Love Clothing Center

SUNDAY

930am Sunday School
1030am Coffee Fellowship
Swahili Service
1100am Judson Worship
400pm Iglesia Restauración