

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, September 13, 2026
Old Leacock Day including Holy Communion and Celebration Picnic
Theme: Season of Creation - Giving Praise



“Let our mouths speak the praise of our GOD, and all flesh bless
GOD’s holy name forever and ever.” Psalm 145:21

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Song of Praise: #627 “I Love You Lord” (*listen once, sing twice*)

Call to Worship

Leader: As we gather and as we disperse, as we rise and as we sleep, as we eat and
play and work, we offer God praise.

**People: As we mow our yards, tend our homes, and weed the garden, we rinse
the grime of the day from our hands, offering God praise.**

Leader: As we feel the tips of the grass on our feet, the wind against our face, the sun
on our backs, we offer God praise.

**People: And so we come to worship the God who creates, redeems, and sustains
us to live out our praise in all we do!**

Leader: We come as people formed by grace to offer praise to God with our voices
even our whole selves now and in all the ordinary moments of our lives!
AMEN

*Opening Hymns: #31 “Let Us with a Gladsome Mind”
#681 “This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made”

*Prayer of the Day and Confession

**Awesome and majestic God, your creative power leads us to praise. Today
we give voice with thanksgiving for the heritage of our faith. To your glory, those
in the past labored with tenacity and love. With a staunch faithfulness they**

**endured hard times, worshiping and serving faithfully to grow the church. How
blessed, therefore, we are to receive the heritage that is ours. Lift us up into your
holiness as we live out our lives in these times. As they trusted their efforts to
bring a good reward, so bless our efforts as well. Forgive us when we become
short-sighted or self-focused failing to see your larger plan. In Your mercy, look
deeply into our hearts, examine our thoughts and redirect our actions. You have
equipped us for our journey through life and beyond, by breathing new and
everlasting life into our very beings, and for that we are grateful and offer our
praise now. AMEN**

*Response: The Doxology #606

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Scripture: Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21 God’s Wide Hands Open
Isaiah 55:1-5 Eat and drink what truly satisfies

Sermon: **“Giving Voice to Praise”**

Hymns of Choice – Requests of the Congregation

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Attentive God, you see us as we are and meet us in the movement of our
days. Whenever we bring our gifts, use them to shape a meaningful ministry. As
your Spirit continues to empower and transform our lives, so we trust our acts of
mercy and sacrifice will do the same. Receive our presence today and our willing
spirits as signs of our trust and our desire to live in right relationship with you
and with one another, until we are satisfied in the likeness of your grace. AMEN**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn of Preparation: #523 “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Announcements and Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People

*Hymn: #817 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: Beloved, may God bless us with the discernment to notice God at work all around us.

People: We leave with the inspiration to offer up praise in words and deeds, whether in the middle of a busy day or in moments of quiet reflection.

Leader: So may the peace that passes all understanding keep our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus, beholding the face of God wherever we go.

People: We depart knowing deep in your bones that we are not alone—God is with us. AMEN

*Departing Hymn: #306 “Bless Be the Tie That Binds”

Postlude

(Please remain seated)

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor
Dianne Yuninger, Organist

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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