

WAYSIDE
Presbyterian Church
WELCOME • WORSHIP • WISDOM • WITNESS

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The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, "Aaron will be gathered to his people. He will not enter the land I give the Israelites. - Numbers 20:23-24

**August 23, 2026
10:00 am**



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CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY
13th Sunday after Pentecost

"Walking with Jesus, sharing Christ along the way"

Welcome to Wayside! We're glad the Holy Spirit moved you to join us in this gathering of divine worship. We're all on a journey of life and faith. If you are without a network of Christian sisters and brothers to support yours, we encourage you to stay and grow with us. We're not perfect, and we haven't "arrived." But we have discovered faith, friends, and fellowship at Wayside that help us on the way.

Gathering Song House of the Lord *Grace Notes*

Greeting, Passing the Peace of Christ & Opportunities to Connect *Pastor Steve*
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Responsive Call to Worship (From our PCUSA "A Brief Statement of Faith")
Paula Gilbert, Liturgist

One: In life and in death we belong to God.

ALL: Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

ONE: With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Song of Praise Glory Belongs

Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Gratitude

Kids' Message

Prayer Table for Tithes, Offerings & Lighting of Candles/Offertory



Scripture Reading Numbers 20:1, 22-29 *Paula Gilbert*

¹In the first month the whole Israelite community arrived at the Desert of Zin, and they stayed at Kadesh. There Miriam died and was buried. // ²²The whole Israelite community set out from Kadesh and came to Mount Hor. ²³At Mount Hor, near the border of Edom, the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, ²⁴"Aaron will be gathered to his people. He will not enter the land I give the Israelites, because both of you rebelled against my command at the waters of Meribah. ²⁵Get Aaron and his son Eleazar and take them up Mount Hor. ²⁶Remove Aaron's garments and put them on his son

Eleazar, for Aaron will be gathered to his people; he will die there." ²⁷Moses did as the Lord commanded: They went up Mount Hor in the sight of the whole community. ²⁸Moses removed Aaron's garments and put them on his son Eleazar. And Aaron died there on top of the mountain. Then Moses and Eleazar came down from the mountain, ²⁹and when the whole community learned that Aaron had died, the entire house of Israel mourned for him thirty days.

ONE: This is the word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Morning Message Wilderness Wanderings: Lingerings & Loss *Pastor Steve*

Hymn 521 (vv. 1,2 & 5) Abide with Me

Time of Prayer: Requests, Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 520 Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

Blessing & Sending

Parting Music

NEXT WEEK: Wayside will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, also called "Eucharist" and "Holy Communion."