

# Great Charges of God



**April 21, 2024  
10am Worship Service**

**Venice Presbyterian Church (EPC)**  
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**Venice Presbyterian Church**  
**Worship to the Glory of God**  
*\*If you are able, please stand.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

**\*Music**

*“Christ Be Magnified ”*  
*“Yes I Will ”*

lyrics on screen

**\*Prayer of Confession**

There are many times we think we love you well, O God.  
But upon hearing your call to love you with all our heart,  
and all our mind, and all our strength,  
we confess that our love for you is a diluted love, made bland  
and flat by lesser loyalties and a divided heart.  
Our love seems pure only for brief moments;  
soon our affections are drawn away.  
How easily our devotion dies.  
Forgive us; in deep mercy spare us,  
despite our lost first love for you;  
in grace rekindle our love for you  
in seeing anew Jesus’ love for us. Amen.

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Hymn**

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

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Following the music, preschool - 6th grade are invited to continue worshipping in the Youth Room with our Kids’ Church Ministry.

**Scripture Readings**

Old Testament

Hosea 6:1 – 6

Pew Bible Pg. 895

New Testament

Mark 12:28 – 34

Pew Bible Pg. 1009

**Sermon**

“Great Commandment #1: Love the Lord”

**Scripture Memory Verse:**

<sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”  
- Matthew 9:36 – 38

**Morning Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology and Offertory Prayer**

Offering plates are at both the front and back of the Sanctuary.

**\*Hymn**

*“Stand Up and Bless the Lord”*

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction**

*“Christ Be With You”*

lyrics on screen

Leading us in this morning’s worship are:

Pastor Patrick Keeley, Elder Cheryl Owens, Accompanist Stefanie Patterson,  
Music Director Erin Connors and the Venice Church Choir.

Greeter: Bonnie Charlier

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## **Our Purpose Statement**



We exist to:  
**Glorify God.**

**Grow** as disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Go** into the community to serve and guide others toward salvation.

## **Regular Sunday Worship Schedule**

**9:00 am**—Sunday School      **10:00 am**—Morning Worship

Morning Worship Services are streamed live on Facebook  
and later added to our YouTube channel.