



We are so glad you could join us today.
Are you new to our church?
Would you like to find out more about us?
If so, please complete the **Welcome Card** located
in the pew bookrack or on the table in the main
entryway as you enter the Sanctuary.
Drop the completed card into the box provided,
so that we can connect with you!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 am—Sunday School

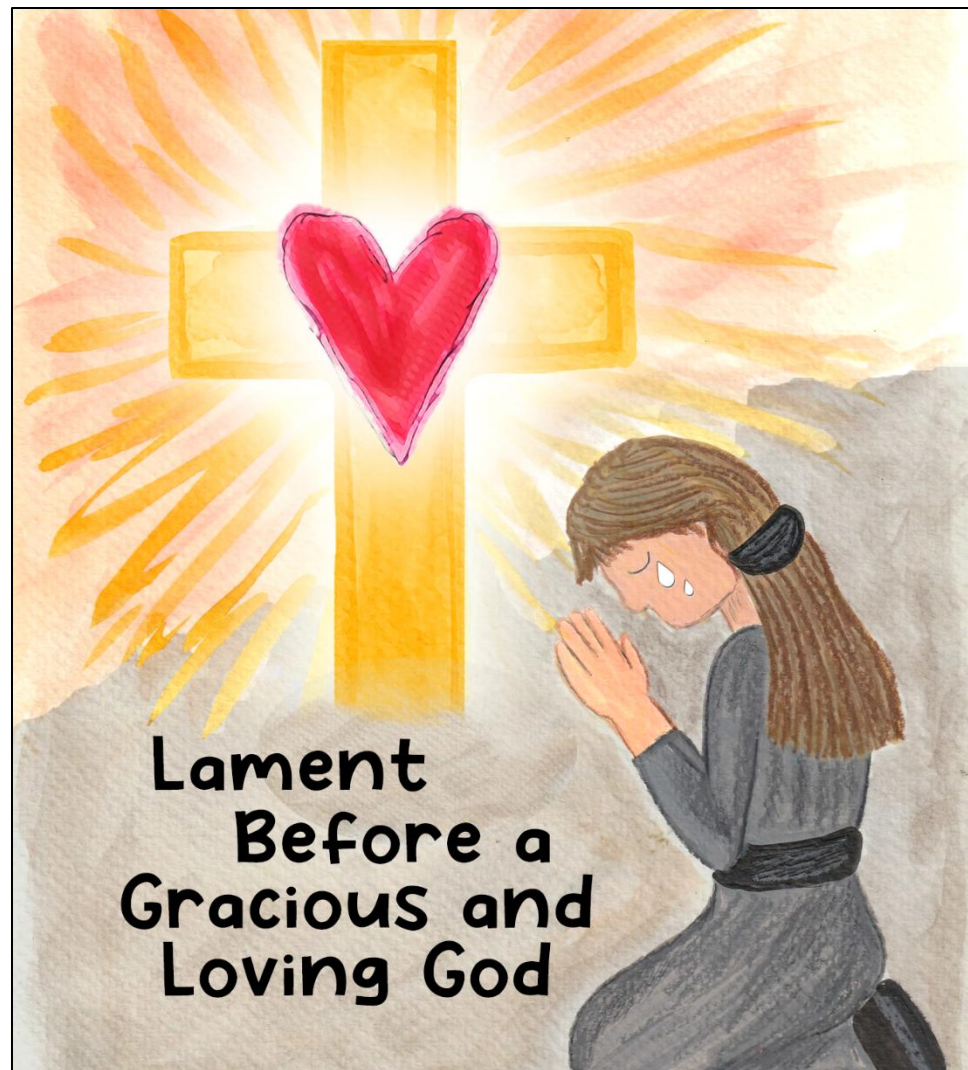
10:00 am—Morning Worship

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



Our Vision Statement

“Equip followers of Jesus Christ through the power
of the Holy Spirit to whole-heartedly worship the Lord,
intentionally develop relationships, and boldly share
the gospel with our surrounding community.”



Lament Before a Gracious and Loving God

August 17, 2025 – Worship Service

Venice Presbyterian Church (EPC)

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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.

Venice Presbyterian Church

Worship to the Glory of God

August 17, 2025

**If you are able, please stand.*

Welcome and Announcements.....*Cheryl Owens*

***Call to Worship**.....*Cheryl Owens*

***Music** “*Rescue*”
 “*10,000 Reasons*”..... words on screen

Prayer of Confession.....*Deb Batey*

Heavenly Father, our lives and all our ways are like an open book before you. There is nothing we can hide from you, and with humility we recall those things in which daily we come short of the standard set for us by Christ.

The Spirit of true charity motivates us only fitfully; concern for ourselves crowds out the compassion we should feel for others.

The things of the faith seldom occupy the central ground of our thinking. Sometimes we live and act as if you were not here at all.

Have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon.....*Deb Batey*

Following the Assurance of Pardon, preschool - 6th grade are invited to continue worshipping in the Youth Room with our Kids' Church Ministry.

Scripture Readings.....*Pastor Gary Chorprenning*

Psalm 6:1-10Pew Bible Pg. 530

John 3:14-21.....Pew Bible Pg. 1055

Sermon “*Lament Before a Gracious and Loving God*”
 *Pastor Gary Chorprenning*

Apostles Creed*Kate Hillbery*

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer.....*Jeff McKean*

Worship of God with Our Tithes and Offerings

*** Doxology and Offertory Prayer***Robin Allen*

***Hymn** “*I Need Thee Every Hour*”.....#428

***Benediction**.....*Pastor Gary Chorprenning*

***Responsive Benediction**

“*God Be With You*” (vs. 1)#602

Music Director: Erin Connors
Accompanist: Stefanie Patterson
Sunday Greeters: Barb Andrews
Kids' Church: Sharon Stankas & Doris Kean