

The Lord's Day

October 19, 2025 at 10:30 AM

We welcome you to worship today. It is a privilege to have you as our guest.

As you join us today, begin to worship quietly with personal prayer.

Please turn off your cell phone and turn your hearts and minds toward God.

We prepare for worship

Take a moment and meditate on this as you prepare for worship...

Without a divine call no one can be saved. We are all so sunk in sin and so wedded to the world, that we should never turn to God and seek salvation, unless He first called us by His grace. God must speak to our hearts by His Spirit, before we shall ever speak to Him.

J.C. Ryle

Prelude *How Firm a Foundation* (Early English Melody) arr. Martha Lynn Thompson
The Aisquith Handbell Choir

Please quietly prepare your hearts for worship during the Prelude.

Aisquith Life and Opportunities

RE Mark Werner

We praise our great God

Call to Worship

Psalms 68:4-6,32

⁴ Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;
his name is the Lord;
exult before him!

⁵ Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.

⁶ God settles the solitary in a home;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

³² O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God;
sing praises to the Lord.

Invocation

Hymn No. 100

Holy, Holy, Holy

Nicaea

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

We embrace Christ through His Word

Psalter Reading (Responsive)

Psalms 56

¹ Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples on me;
all day long an attacker oppresses me;
² my enemies trample on me all day long,
for many attack me proudly.
³ When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.
⁴ **In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.**
What can flesh do to me?
⁵ **All day long they injure my cause; all their thoughts are against me for evil.**
⁶ They stir up strife, they lurk; they watch my steps, as they have waited for my life.
⁷ **For their crime will they escape?**
In wrath cast down the peoples, O God!
⁸ **You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle.**
Are they not in your book?
⁹ **Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call.**
This I know, that God is for me.
¹⁰ **In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise,**
¹¹ in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.
What can man do to me?
¹² I must perform my vows to you, O God;
I will render thank offerings to you.
¹³ For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

Our Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 55:6,7

⁶ "Seek the Lord while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷ let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Our Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question 31

What is effectual calling?

Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit, whereby, convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, he persuades and enables us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the gospel.

Hymn No. 591

Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea,
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me";

As, of old, apostles heard it by the Galilean lake,
Turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us; by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

We acknowledge God's blessings

The Prayers of God's People and the Lord's Prayer (**in unison**)

We respond in gratitude for God's blessing

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

RIBALTIMENTO (Abundant Joy)

Kathleen Wissinger
The Aisquith Handbell Choir

The Doxology (Hymnal, pg. 731) and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

We are nourished by God's Word

Scripture Reading

Mark 2:13-17

Pew Bible pg. 837

¹³ He went out again beside the sea, and all the crowd was coming to him, and he was teaching them. ¹⁴ And as he passed by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

¹⁵ And as he reclined at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners were reclining with Jesus and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶ And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹⁷ And when Jesus heard it, he said to them,

“Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

Sermon

“Opposition to His Men”

Pastor Bell

Sermon Outline can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

We respond to God’s Grace

Hymn No. 497

I Need Thee, Precious Jesus

Meirionydd

I need thee, precious Jesus, for I am full of sin;
My soul is dark and guilty, my heart is dead within.
I need the cleansing fountain where I can always flee,
The blood of Christ most precious, the sinner’s perfect plea.

I need thee, precious Jesus, for I am very poor;
A stranger and a pilgrim, I have no earthly store.
I need the love of Jesus to cheer me on my way,
To guide my doubting footsteps, to be my strength and stay.

I need thee, precious Jesus, and hope to see thee soon,
Encircled with the rainbow and seated on thy throne.
There with thy blood-bought children, my joy shall ever be,
To sing my Jesus’ praises, to gaze, O Lord on thee.

Benediction and Three-Fold Amen (**Hymnal, pg. 740**)

Danish

Postlude

Celebration No. 1 in G

Michael R. Keller
The Aisquith Handbell Choir

Please be seated and quietly reflect upon the Lord’s grace during the Postlude.

Announcements

We welcome our Pastor Emeritus, Robert Bell as he brings the Word of God to us this morning.

We thank the Aisquith Handell Choir for blessing us in worship this morning.

Pastor Ceselsky will be away through Wednesday. Please contact one of the elders if any need arises.

Nominations for Elder, Deacon, or Deaconess can be made to Pastor Ceselsky or one of the elders.

Operation Christmas Child Boxes are available in the narthex. If you would like to fill a box (or boxes) this year, please return them to the church no later than Sunday, November 23.

Movie & Fellowship Afternoon: Aisquith will be hosting a second movie and fellowship opportunity on Saturday, (October 25) at 1 PM. Join us in front of our own big screen (Rm 11) to view *Sergeant York* (1941) starring Gary Cooper, Walter Brennan, and Joan Leslie. This Oscar winning hit chronicles the transformation of Alvin C York from a young, coarse TN farmer to devout Christian and World War I

hero. Invite family and friends to join in this fellowship opportunity. The more the merrier! We ask that you bring a snack to share. Kindly direct questions to Jeff or Libby Soule.

Donations for the Roof repair can be made through the ARC Fund. Please use a pink envelope and label it “ARC” or “Roof.”

Birthdays and Anniversaries this week: Tomorrow (October 20) is Bill Keugler’s Birthday.

Prayer Requests

1. Please continue to be in prayer for Drew Calhoun, Mark Fisher’s stepfather, who has been diagnosed with, and is receiving treatment for Metastatic cancer. Please pray as well for Yuki’s father in Japan, who has also now been diagnosed with cancer – pray that a treatment plan will be created, and pray for the family as they are so far away.
2. Missions Prayer Request for the Week: Phil & Amina Fiol – “This week we are organizing a CP Workshop (our 3rd one) and we have new folks attending for three days of prayer, sharing, training, teaching, networking – all aimed at helping the leaders of 10 new congregations seek God and move forward. Our interns and others will also be attending who we pray will become leaders one day. Please pray for safe travel, helpful instruction, security as we meet in an ‘upper room’ and the Spirit’s work in each of our hearts. May each of these fellowships see revival internally and externally as a result of our time together.”
3. Please continue to be in prayer for those in our congregation who have on-going health concerns: Joyce Donohue, Evelyn King, Libby Soule, Robert Willis & Ken Wilson.
4. Please be in prayer for Aisquith members, family members, and friends of the Aisquith Community who are currently struggling with various illnesses and other physical and emotional issues.

Weekly Calendar

TODAY:	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages Children – Rooms 16-17 Adults – Room 11
	10:30 AM	Lord’s Day Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Choir Practice – Rooms 26-27
Tuesday:	5:30 PM	Bell Choir Practice – Room 28
	7:00 PM	Men’s Bible Study – Rooms 15-16 (Please prepare Lesson 4 on Daniel 3:1-30 (Pages 39-46))
Wednesday:	10:30 AM	Women’s Bible Study – Rooms 15-16 (Please prepare pages 29-35 of the Chronological Guide to the Bible)
Saturday:	1:00 PM	Movie & Fellowship Afternoon – Room 11
NEXT Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages Children – Rooms 16-17 Adults – Room 11
	10:30 AM	Lord’s Day Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Choir Practice – Rooms 26-27
	3:30 PM	Reformation Worship Service – Broadneck Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Coming Soon

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service – Wednesday, November 26 – 7 PM

Church Officers

Ruling Elders: Riley B. Franklin, Jeff Soule & Mark Werner (Clerk)

Deacons: Andrew Bell, Gus DeFord, Jonathan Frank, Ken Schumann (President), and Rick Willis

Deaconesses: Christine Clark, Debbie DeFord, Judi Mason, Fran Oswinkle, & Jeanne Williams
(Moderator)

Sermon Notes

Date: October 19, 2025

Text: Mark 2:13-17

Sermon Title: “Opposition to His Men”

Delivered By: Pastor Robert Bell

Proposition: We see in this passage the power of Christ to call men out from the world, and make them his disciples.

Main Point 1: The Savior’s Irresistible Call.

Main Point 2: The Savior’s Incredible Community.

Main Point 3: The Sinner’s Inevitable Challenge.

Jesus is still active in the world saving sinners. He still enters sinful human lives to rescue those he loves. Run to Christ, he is the very Physician that you require!