

Presbyterian Church of Vinton



The Pride of rulers is a short-lived shadow; the judgment of God is an everlasting light.” – African Proverb

**Presbyterian Church of Vinton
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

Mission Statement:

"A Voice of Hope and Love to All"

Sunday, October 18, 2026

10:30 AM

Prelude

Organist

Welcome And Announcements Liturgist

A special welcome to our online visitors.

Introit

Glorious Dawn

Hand Bells

Responsive Call to Worship Psalm 99

Liturgist

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!

The people cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

***Hymn #461**

He Leadeth Me

Call to Confession*Liturgist**

We know, despite our sincere efforts to live in God's way, that all too easily we slip off the path to the kingdom. Trusting that God will answer our prayers and forgive us, let us confess our sins, as we pray together,

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

Great Lover of Justice, hear our prayers:

called to treat all people equally,

we take sides and pick favorites;

chosen to be your children,

we arrogantly assume others are not so honored;

challenged to be examples of faith,

we reveal our worst natures to our families and friends.

Forgive us, Giver of Rest. Enable us to stop putting you to the test, so we can open our hypocritical hearts to your healing touch of compassion and hope. As Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has given all for us, may we give ourselves to you - confidently, completely, faithfully.

***Responsive Assurance of Pardon Liturgist**

Hear the good news: the One who created goodness and beauty is also the One who shows no partiality but offers grace and peace to all.

God has heard our prayers and done the very thing we asked - forgiven us, healed us, restored us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Gloria Patri**Scripture****Romans 13:1-7****Liturgist**

¹³ Let every person be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. ² Therefore whoever resists authority

resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³ For rulers are not a terror to good conduct but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval, ⁴ for it is God's agent for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the agent of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵ Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. ⁶ For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's agents, busy with this very thing. ⁷ Pay to all what is due them: taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honor to whom honor is due.

Scripture

Matthew 22:15-22

Pastor

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" ²¹ They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

Special Music

The Gift of Love

Hand Bells

Message

Of Cabbages and Kings

Pastor

***Hymn # 463**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Invitation To Offering
Offertory
***Doxology**

Pastor

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer

Response for Joy: Lord with thanksgiving! **Hear our prayer!**

Response for Concern: Lord in your mercy! **Hear our prayer!**

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn #247**

Spirit of the Living God

***Benediction**
Postlude

***You are invited to rise in body/spirit as you are able**

Today's Service

Pastor: Johannes Poetschner

Liturgist: Jax Elwick

Organist: Inge Schminke

Ushers: Personnel/Nominating Committee

Every Sunday's Schedule

9:15 AM Youth Sunday School
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service
11:30 AM Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

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10/18 Dylan Rippel

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10/21 David Beecher

10/24 Amy Noe



Next Sunday, October 25, 2026

Pastor: Johannes Poetschner

Scriptures: Leviticus 19:1-18
Matthew 22:34-40

Theme: The Law of God

Liturgist: Pauline Elwick

Ushers: Personnel/Nominating Committee

Announcements

"None of our success would be possible without generous donors like you. Thank you again for your commitment and kindness."

Running the scripture in the bulletins was an experiment. Do you enjoy having it in the bulletin? Or is having it on the screens enough? Please let us know what you prefer.

Harvest Dinner is ***Sunday, November 8th***.

Trunk or Treat will be October 31 from 5 – 7 PM.

Thank you, Personnel/Nominating Committee for the refreshments in Fellowship Hall following the morning service.

2026 Per Capita: \$46.63 2027 Per Capita: \$49.31

Reminder: If you have not paid this year's per capita please do that before the end of the year.

Attendance on October 11: 42 + 2 visitors

Zoom: (2) Facebook: (2) Views for the week: 60

This Week:

Monday, October 19:	9:00 – 12:00 AM 6:00 PM	Office Closed
Tuesday, October 20:	9:00-11:00 AM	Hand Bell Practice
Wednesday, October 21:	5:30-6:30 PM 5:30 PM	Sewing Group Confirmation Class Finance Meeting

Harvest

Dinner



November 8, 2026

Menu

Soups: Chili, Cheesy Potato, Chicken Rice
Corn Bread – Crackers
Veggie Tray & Dip
Fruit Salad
Dessert
Drinks

Harvest Dinner – November 8th

Name_____

Number Attending_____