

Elderton Presbyterian Church
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 27, 2026

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*The mission of Elderton Presbyterian Church is to bring the
Word of God and the love of Jesus Christ to the surrounding community,
We do this through worship, education, and missions.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE – Zachary Smith

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

*Call to Worship: **(responsively)**

Come, gather as people ready to hear the Word of God.

We come with open hearts and willing spirits.

Some seed falls on the path, some among the rocks, some among the thorns,
and some on good soil.

Lord, prepare our hearts to be good soil for your Word.

Come, let us worship the Lord!

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn No. 483 – “Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

***Unison** Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that our hearts are not always good soil for your Word. Sometimes we hear your message but quickly forget it. Sometimes our faith has shallow roots, and we lose courage when difficulties come. Sometimes the worries, distractions, and desires of this world crowd out your voice. Forgive us, Lord. Break up the hardened places within us and clear away whatever keeps us from growing in you. Plant your Word deeply in our hearts, nurture it with your grace, and help us bear fruit that reflects your love.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri – page 579 – blue hymnal

THE WORD

Anthem – “We Declare Your Majesty”

Soloists – Hannah Keith & Charlene De La Cruz

Joys, Concerns, and God Sightings

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

*Praise Hymnal No. 193 – “Make Me a Servant”

Scripture Reading – Matthew 13: 1-9

Sermon – “Parables of the Farmers” - Dr. Angel De La Cruz

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed - in unison - page 14 in blue hymnal

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology – page 592 - blue hymnal

*Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn No. 339 – “Be Thou My Vision”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response:

One in Love, one in friendship true, one in hope, one in spirit too, one in faith
that God will care for you till we meet together again.

*Postlude

(*) Congregation Standing

A warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. We are pleased that you are here. As we unite in worship, we pray that you are blessed and encouraged as we aim to create an uplifting service for everyone. To connect with you and provide any support you may need, we kindly ask you to fill out the welcome card in the pew racks. Please place it in the offering plate when you are done.

A nursery is available for your convenience, located in the educational complex of the building.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT – Linda Prugh – 724-464-8861

GREETERS TODAY – Heather Bell and Lori Rodgers

GREETERS NEXT WEEK – Sue Quinn and Aaron Quinn

ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK – Ava Quinn

HOMEBOUND MEMBER – Nancy Rupert

Grey's Colonial Acres Home

272 Colonial Drive

Kittanning, PA 16201

VISITATION TEAMS FOR SEPTEMBER

Elders – Cheryl Hankey and Jeff Schrecengost

Deacons – Tyler Keith and Dave Smail

The large-print Our Daily Bread devotional for October, November, and December is available in the front vestibule. Please take yours today.

THIS WEEK

October 3 – Fall painting at the Church – come and join us to paint a fall-themed canvas. \$5 per person – give money and ask Pam Gaff for more information.

NEXT WEEK

October 4 – 10:30 - Please join us for World Communion Sunday. We will serve communion during the worship service.

PRAYERS

Prayers for Gloria; she will have heart surgery to repair a hole and a leaky valve.

Continue praying for Larry and Linda Prugh as they navigate health issues.

Prayers for Heather Champion, who is now receiving hospice care.

Travel mercies for Cory Scrips, who is returning home.

Prayers for Nate's friend who is going through a tough time.

Continued prayers and travel mercies for Tom, Sue, Chet, and Brenda as they enjoy their trip out West. Concerns for Brenda, who has had another fall.

Continued prayers for Jonny Klingensmith

Prayers for Teagan's Grandma Pat, who is in the hospital with some complications.

JOYS

April Brochetti is cancer-free.

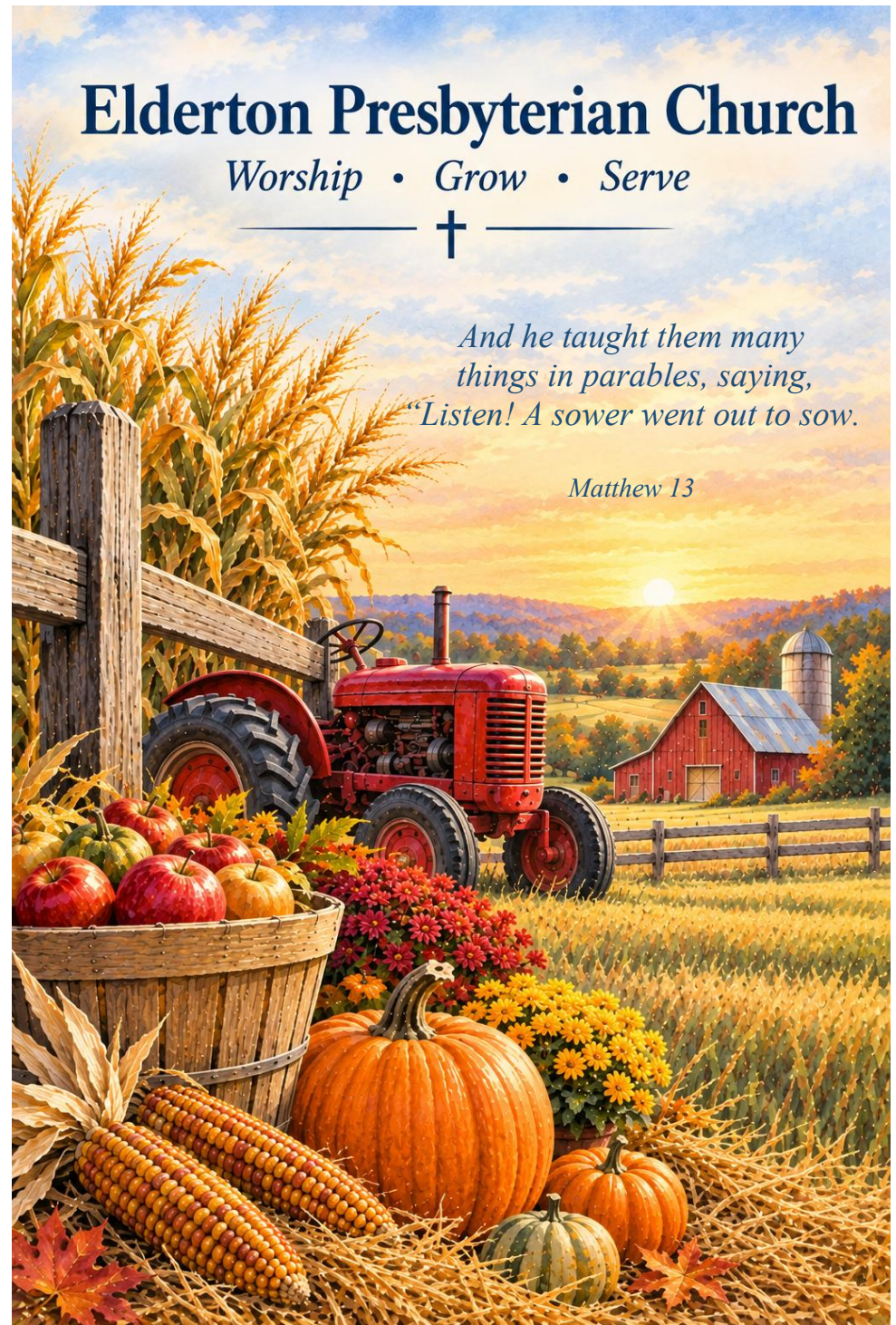
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And he taught them many things in parables, saying, "Listen! A sower went out to sow."

Matthew 13

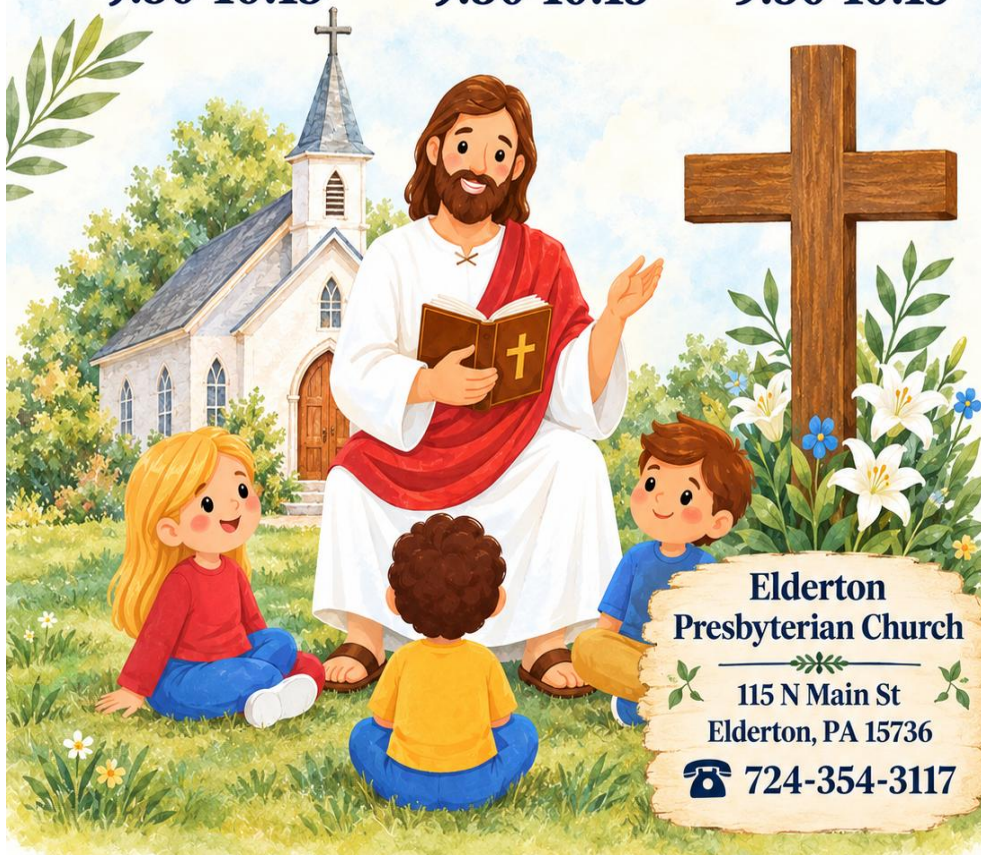


Come Join Us For Sunday School

Children's Class
9:30-10:15

Teen's Class
9:30-10:15

Adult Class
9:30-10:15



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