

MINISTERS - ALL MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION

PASTORAL & OFFICE STAFF

Pastor.....Joel Gibbel, pastor@yorkfirst.org
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Student Minister.....Rebecca Wolf, musicdirector@yorkfirst.org
Church Admin Asst.....Karen Bowman, secretary@yorkfirst.org

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Music Director & Accompanist.....Rebecca Wolf
Chancel Choir Director.....John Gibble
Worship Leader.....Brad Nicholas
Children's Time.....Michele Gibbel
Audio/Visual.....John Gibble, Jay Crist
Ushers.....**Leader – Sheldon Markel**
.....Jeanette Brickner, Jess Dietrich, Bob Drawbaugh, Jeffrey Miller
Coffee/Hospitality.....Jeanette Brickner
Greeters Today.....Sheldon & Doris Markel
Greeters Next Week.....Leonard & Helen Stoner
Nursery Care.....Christine Wuhrman

DEACONS are available and their responsibilities include assisting the pastor with the care of the congregation. If you have a need, please contact your deacon or the church office.

Please see one of our ushers at the entrance to the sanctuary prior to worship if you need **LARGE PRINT bulletins or hymnals**.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available from the A/V booth in the back of the sanctuary.

Activity bags for children to use during worship are available as you enter the sanctuary. **Nursery care** is available and the “worship nursery” in the rear of the sanctuary is open for use anytime.

The church issues a **weekly e-newsletter** each Friday.

To subscribe, please email secretary@yorkfirst.org

To receive the **prayer chain emails**, please contact the church office.

Worship attendance last Sunday: 65

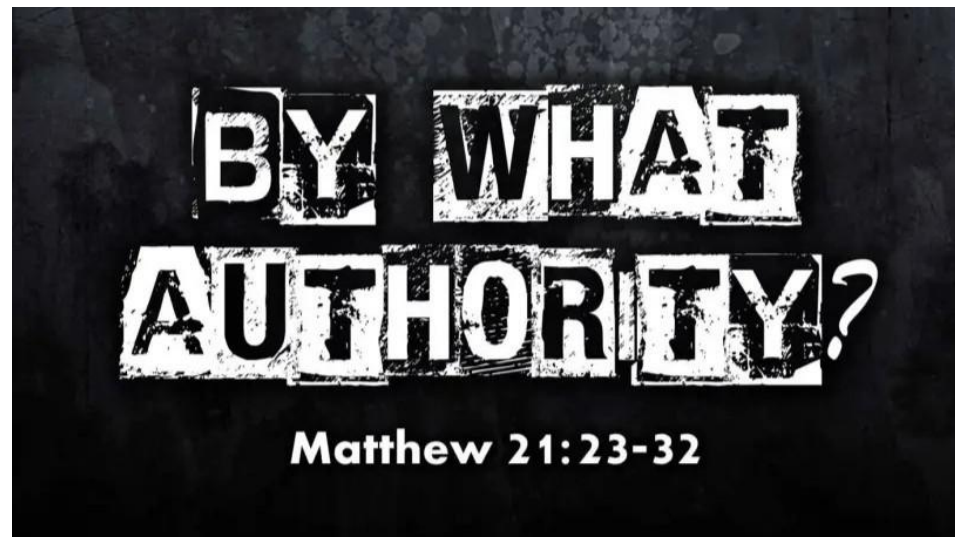
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Message: “Unspoken Authority”

Matthew 21:23-32



October 4, 2026



Continuing the work of Jesus
Peacefully
Simply
Together

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*"To become a community of committed Christians
who Love God, Share Christ, and Serve the World"*

10:30 AM

October 4, 2026

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE *"10,000 Reasons"* Myrin & Redman arr. Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God who is One, you call us to be one,

**All: May we be one with all who are made in
Your image.**

One: God who is Three, you call us to be community,

**All: May we find community with all who are called by
Your name.**

One: God who calls us all by your name,

All: May we find our place in your eternal family.

***HYMN** *"Lord, whose love in humble service"* 369

*INVOCATION

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

***SCRIPTURE LESSON** Matthew 21:23-32 (Page 855)

MESSAGE "Unspoken Authority"

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** *"I have decided to follow Jesus"*

TIME OF GIVING

Invitation to Giving

Offertory *"Come To Jesus"* Rice

*Offering Response *"Praise God from whom"* 119(v1)

*Offering Prayer

***SENDING SONG** *"Bless'd be the tie that binds"* 421(v1,3,6)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *"Hero's Dream"* Brickman

We kindly request that you be seated for the Postlude or leave quietly so that others may appreciate the conclusion of the service.

*Please stand in body or spirit.

This Week at a Glance:

Today	4:30 pm	Love Feast
Mon 10/5	6:00 pm	Worship Team – Multi-Purpose Room
Tues 10/6	10:00 am	Staff Meeting – Multi-Purpose Room
	4:00 pm	Food Pantry Open 4:00pm to 5:30pm
Wed 10/7	11:30 am	Lunch Bunch – Crackel Barrel
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Thurs 10/8	8:30 am	Soup Kitchen
		– (Casseroles due at church by 8:30)
Sat 10/10	10:00 am	Food Pantry Open 10:00am to 12:00pm
Sun 10/11	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service – Sanctuary

You may use this QR code
to access our church's online giving



1061 I have decided to follow Jesus

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C7

1 I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus,
2 Tho' no one join me, still I will fol - low,
3 The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me,

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I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus,
Tho' no one join me, still I will fol - low,
The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me,

I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus
Tho' no one join me, still I will fol - low
The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me

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No turn - ing back, (no turn - ing back,) no turn - ing back!

Text: Ascribed to an Indian prince

Music: Indian folk melody; Paul B. Smith; harm. N. Johnson