

# Venice Presbyterian Church

## August 2, 2026

**To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known**

*"Look at the fig tree and all the trees. When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near." Luke 21:29–31*



*When the fig tree blossoms...*

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# **Worship Service**

## **August 2, 2026 - 10:00 a.m.**

### **Prelude**

*L'dor va dor (Meir Finklestein)*  
*(From Generation to Generation)*  
*Ann Stephenson Moe, organ*

### **Welcome**

*Chris Romig, Senior Pastor*

### **Choral Introit**

*We are Not Alone (Pepper Choplin)*  
*Rebecca Cross and Bob Wood, soloists*

### **\*Worship Song**

*Days of Elijah*

### **Prayer**

### **Our Offering to God**

### **Choral Anthem**

*A Lord Built House (Roger Lentz)*  
*Summer Choir - Susan Stinson*

### **\*Hymn 84**

*Children of the Heavenly Father*

### **Message**

*God's Covenant Faithfulness: Regathered in Hope*  
*Carolyn Wilson, Associate Pastor*

## Communion

*Yerushalayim shel zahav* (Ofra Haza)

All who trust in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to participate in communion. Communion will be served in the pews. Each tray of bread includes a small bowl of gluten-free bread. All of the cups are grape juice. Please hold the elements, as we will partake together.

## The Lord's Prayer

### \*Hymn 133

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

### \*Blessing and Sending

### \*Postlude

*Hatikva*

*(The Hope - National Anthem of Israel - please remain standing)*

English Translation of Hatikvah:

*As long as in the heart within,  
The Jewish soul yearns,  
And toward the eastern edges, onward,  
An eye gazes toward Zion.*

*Our hope is not yet lost,  
The hope that is two-thousand years old,  
To be a free nation in our land,  
The Land of Zion, Jerusalem.*

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

### UPCOMING INTERMENT

**Martha and Bob Titus** on Tuesday, August 4th at 9:30 a.m. in the Memorial Garden.

### UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES

**Marilyn Switzer** on Wednesday, August 5th at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Frank Ebetino** on Saturday, August 22nd at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

### IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF PRAYER

There will be a team available to pray with you in the Chapel after worship.

You may also text 941-541-4470 or scan the QR code here to let us know how we can pray for you.



### STEPHEN MINISTRY DROP-IN CENTER

If you would like more information about Stephen Ministry, please contact the church at 941-488-2258 ext. 126, or visit the Stephen Ministry Drop-In Center located in Room 11 on the church campus. The Center is staffed Monday - Thursday from 10 am to 1 pm, and Friday from 10 am to noon.