

15th Sunday after Pentecost First Presbyterian Church of Newhall September 6, 2026

“We respectfully request that you withhold conversation during the Prelude and silence your cell phones.”

Worship Song

I'll Fly Away

EverThirst

Welcome and Centering Prayer

Rev. Rich Poole

Call to Worship

Judy Carter

One: Lord, in every time and place, every generation, You call us to believe.

All: We hear Your call echo across time.

One: You remind us who You are – Our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

All: You remind us who we were created to be and are destined to be by grace through faith: children of God. We gather to worship, alleluia, amen.

Call to Confession

Judy Carter

Lord, we are grateful for Your disciple Peter in the many ways he showed us the right way to be. For the times of failure, he warned us how not to behave. O Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers

(Please join me in the printed prayer of confession)

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Judy Carter

Almighty God, You not only created the Sea, You walked upon it and calmed it with a command. Forgive us for the times and ways that we inappropriately covet Your power, seeking to wield it for our own ambition. As Your mercy covers us again, anew, remind us of the purpose of Your power: to heal, forgive, redeem and transform the earth and all that is in it. We pray in the name and image of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior to whom we lift our silent prayers...

(Silent personal confession)

Elder: Amen. People: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Judy Carter

One: Lord Jesus, You did not allow the boat to sink, nor did You allow Peter to drown.

All: Help us to trust Your providence and sovereignty and thus be buoyed by our faith; free to live as the new creation in Christ, amen.

Gloria Patri - Glory Be to the Father

Time for Children		Bryce Morrow
Announcements		Rev Rosie DiBianca
Passing of the Peace		
Worship Song	In the Secret	EverThirst
Scripture	Matthew 14:22-33	
Message	“Test the Water“	Rev. Rich Poole
Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper		
 Invitation to Communion		
 Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Leader: The Lord be with you		
People: And also with you		
Leader: Lift up your hearts		
People: We lift them up to the Lord		
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God		
People: It is right to give thanks and praise		
 Words of Institution		
 Distribution of Elements		
 Communion Music	To the Table	EverThirst
Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer		Rev. Rosie DiBianca
Offertory	We Believe In God	EverThirst
Doxology	Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow	
Prayer of Dedication		Rev. Rich Poole
Lord Jesus, You sent Your disciples out, even though You were not far away. You were never far away, and You came to be with them in their need. We know this is true for ourselves as well, so we join them in saying, “Truly You are the Son of God.” We expand our worship and discipleship by offering these gifts of tithes. Receive, bless, and multiply them that they would serve Your will. We pray in Christ’s name: amen.		
Charge / Benediction		Rev. Rich Poole
Worship Song	I Still Haven’t Found What I’m Looking For	EverThirst