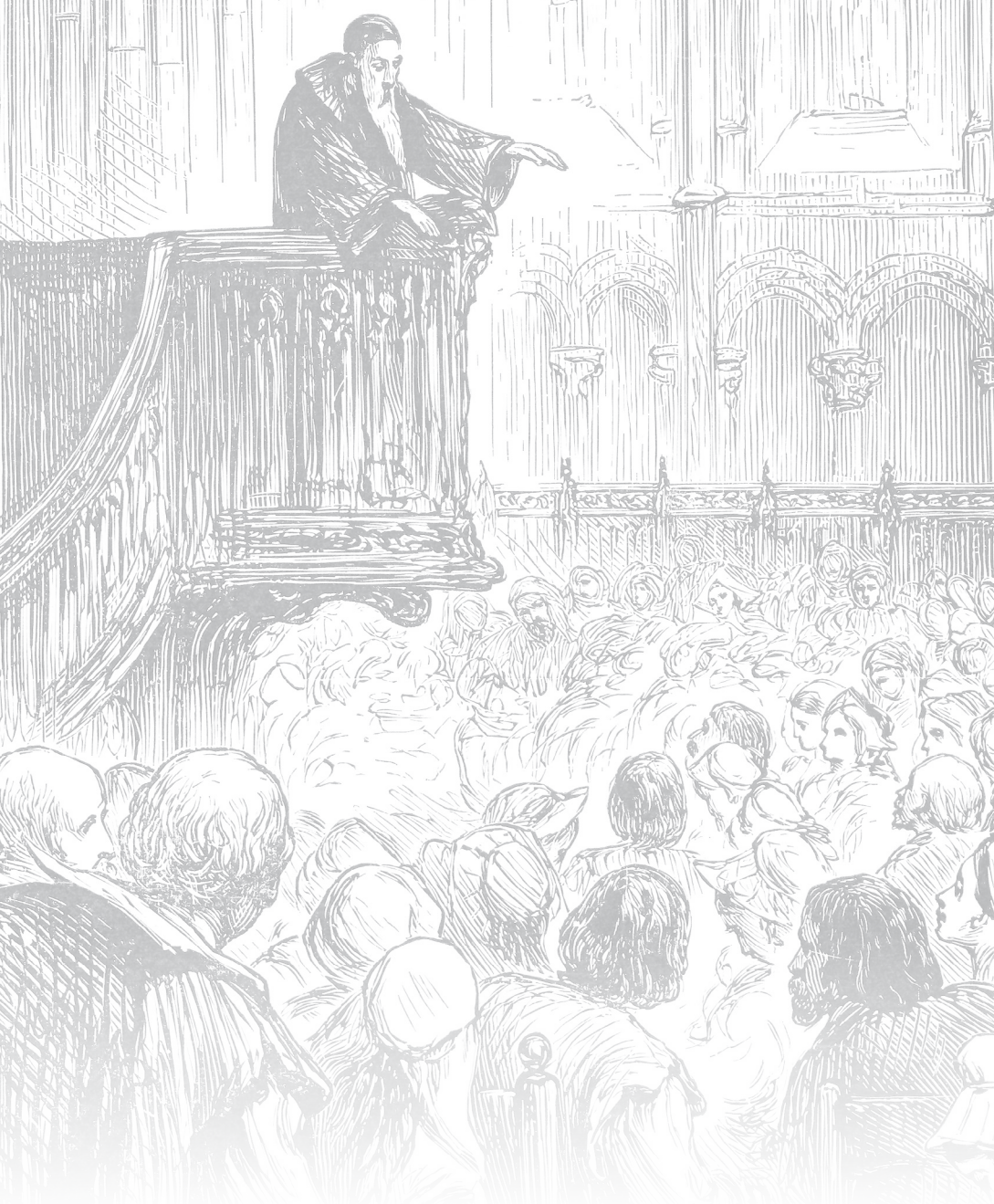


Reformation Sunday



Park Cities Presbyterian Church

October 25, 2026

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 25, 2026
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to Reformation Sunday. The Reformation sought to reclaim the Gospel: that we are saved by grace alone (sola gratia), through faith alone (sola fide), in Christ alone (solus Christus), on the basis of Scripture alone (sola Scriptura), to the glory of God alone (soli Deo gloria).

The drawing on the cover is of John Calvin preaching his farewell sermon in expectation of banishment, Geneva 1537.

Welcome and Announcements

8:00 The Rev. Tommy Overton
9:30/11:00 The Rev. Mark Davis

Prelude

8:00

“Let All Things Now Living”
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

ASHGROVE
arr. Nielson

9:30/11:00

“St. Andrew’s Processional”
Highland Cathedral

Traditional
arr. Mark Schweizer

* Call to Worship

Minister: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;

People: I will recount all of Your wonderful deeds.

Minister: I will be glad and exult in You;

People: I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

Minister: The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,

People: A stronghold in times of trouble.

Minister: And those who know Your name put their trust in You,

People: For You, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek You.

Psalms 9:1-2, 9-10

* Hymn of Praise

“In Christ Alone”

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1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my
2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh, full - ness of
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the



light, my strength, my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this so - lid
God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right-eous-
world by dark - ness slain: Then burst-ing forth in glo-r'ous
pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal



Ground, firm through the fier - cest drought and storm.
ness scorned by the ones He came to save:
Day up from the grave He rose a - gain!
breath Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are
'Till on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of
And as He stands in vic - to - ry sin's curse has
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er



stilled, when striv - ings cease! My Com - for - ter, my All in
God was sat - is - fied For ev - 'ry sin on Him was
lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is
pluck me from His hand; 'Till He re - turns or calls me



All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
mine—bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

* Prayer of Adoration

* Profession of Faith

The Rev. Matt Fray

**We affirm that we desire to follow Scripture alone
as rule of faith and religion,
without mixing with it any other thing
which might be devised by the opinion of men
apart from the Word of God,
and without wishing to accept for our spiritual government
any other doctrine than what is conveyed to us
by the same Word
without addition or diminution,
according to the command of our Lord.**

*from the Geneva Confession, 1536
by John Calvin and William Farel*

Musical Acclamation

9:30/11:00

**"A Mighty Fortress"
Brass & Percussion Ensemble**

*original setting by
Martin Luther*

Public Confession of Sin

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
I acknowledged my sin to You,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found. *Psalm 32:3, 5-6a*

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared. *Psalm 130:4*

*Whoever would deal with Thee must deal so that this
confession proceeds from his heart, which says:
"Lord, if Thou be not merciful all is lost,
no matter how pious I may be."* —Martin Luther

*Scriptures and explanation for the Confession and Assurance are taken
from Luther's sermon, Confession and the Lord's Supper, published in 1524-25.*

* Hymn of Response "Amazing Grace" AMAZING GRACE



1. A - maz - ing grace how sweet the sound that

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and

3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I

4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His

5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! _____ I once was lost, but

grace my fears re - lieved; _____ how pre - cious did that

have al - read - y come; _____ 'tis grace has brought me

Word my hope se - cures; _____ He will my shield and

shin - ing as the sun, _____ we've no less days to



now am found, was blind, but now I see. _____

grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved! _____

safe thus far, and grace will lead me home. _____

por - tion be, as long as life en - dures. _____

sing God's praise than when we've first be - gun! _____

Prayer of Intercession & Offertory Prayer

In addition to giving via passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at pcpc.org/give or text “give” to 214-833-7724.

Musical Offering

8:00

“All My Hope on God Is Founded”
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

MICHAEL

9:30/11:00

“With a Voice of Joy”
Chancel Choir · Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*
Brass & Percussion Ensemble · J. Marty Cope, *conducting*

Patti Drennan

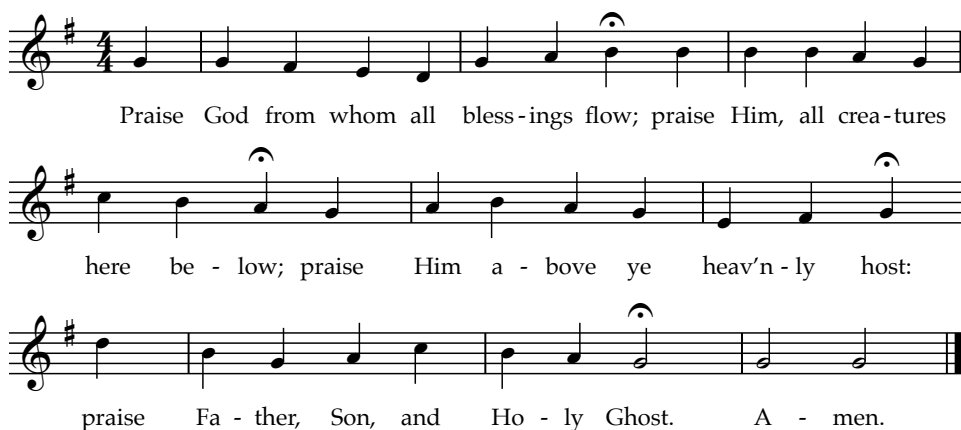
*With a voice of joy, with a song of triumph,
with a voice of joy I will praise the Lord.
My song in the night, I walk in His light;
with a voice of joy I will praise the Lord.*

*Why should I despair; why should I be afraid
When God is my strength, His majesty arrayed?
His loving kindness is mine; He is my rock and my shield.
In the presence of my enemies His power is revealed.*

based on Psalm 42:4-8

* Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Him, all crea-tures
here be - low; praise Him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

During the 9:30 service, 1st and 2nd graders may exit at this time using the doors at the front-right of the Sanctuary to meet their teachers for Worship Explorers. **Children must be checked-in and have a nametag.**
Check-in kiosks are available in the Nursery, Preschool, and Elementary Welcome areas.

*** The Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:4**

⁴ *Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.*

Sermon

“Reformed Fatherhood”

8:00 Mr. Overton

9:30/11:00 Mr. Davis

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at the closing hymn.

*** The Great Thanksgiving 8:00**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

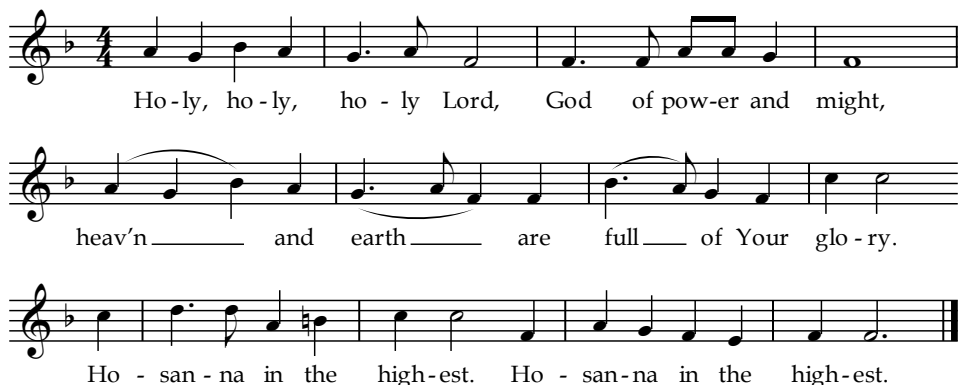
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You, and singing:



Minister: Holy and Gracious God,

People: We do not come to Your Table trusting in our righteousness, but resting in Your abundant grace and rich mercy.

Help us, O Holy Spirit, to earnestly examine our repentance, love, and new obedience, that we may partake worthily. Amen.

*** The Words of Institution 8:00**

*** The Lord's Table 8:00**

Please remain seated.

You will be served by your elders, and we will all partake together when so instructed by the pastor.

The bread being served is gluten free.

* Closing Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress"

EIN' FESTE BURG

Trinity Hymnal No. 92



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should
 4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no



bul - wark nev - er fail - ing; our help - er He a -
 striv - ing would be los - ing; were not the right Man
 threat - en to un - do us, we will not fear, for
 thanks to them, a - bid - eth; the Spir - it and the



mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 on our side, the Man of God's own choos - ing.
 God hath willed His truth to tri - umph through us.
 gifts are ours through Him who with us sid - eth.



For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus it is
 The prince of dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al -



woe; His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with
 He, Lord Sa - ba - oth His name, from age to
 him; his rage we can en - dure, for lo, his
 so; the bod - y they may kill: God's truth a -



cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 age the same, and He must win the bat - tle.
 doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 bid - eth still; His king - dom is for - ev - er.

*** Benediction**

Minister: The Lord bless us, and save us;
The Lord make His face to shine upon us,
and be merciful unto us;
The Lord turn His countenance towards us,
and grant us His peace.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.

Compiled and edited by John Knox

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

Postlude

8:00	“The Church’s One Foundation” Mr. Nielson, <i>piano</i>	AURELIA
9:30/11:00	“Toccata” from <i>Suite</i> , Op. 5 Dr. Davy, <i>organ</i>	Maurice Duruflé

** Please stand if you are able.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God.

We thank the following musicians for leading in our services this morning.

Kyle Sherman, <i>trumpet</i>	Juan Alonso, <i>tuba</i>
Cody McClarty, <i>trumpet</i>	Joe Ferraro, <i>percussion</i>
Andrew House, <i>trumpet</i>	Drew Lang, <i>percussion</i>
Christopher Oliver, <i>trombone</i>	Jimmy Mitchell, <i>bagpipe</i>
Jacob Muzquiz, <i>trombone</i>	



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the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our
Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.**

Ministers: The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior
and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

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The Rev. Mark Davis

Assistant Pastors

The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison (*emeritus*)

The Rev. Bill Lamberth (*emeritus*)

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The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

The Rev. Tommy Overton

The Rev. Dustin Hunt

The Rev. Dr. Robert Rucker

Session

The Rev. Mark Davis

Greg Russell

Moderator

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Pete Flowers

Rick Owens

Jerry Gibson

Kirk Pogoloff

Lance Gurley

Dennis Roossien

Eric Horan

Randy Wood

Houston Hunt

Reformation Sunday



Martin Luther
1483-1546

Unless I am convinced by the testimony of the Scriptures or by clear reason, I am bound by the Scriptures I have quoted and my conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and will not recant anything, since it is neither safe nor right to go against conscience. May God help me. Amen.

—Martin Luther, Diet of Worms 1521

Today we remember and commemorate the Protestant Reformation. According to God's sovereign providence, there were many people and events which helped launched the Reformation; Martin Luther's nailing of the ninety-five theses on October 31, 1517—and the ensuing debate it initiated—has come to represent the beginning of this pivotal movement. At the time, few would have suspected that the sound of a hammer striking the castle church door in Wittenberg, Germany, would soon be heard around the world and lead ultimately to the greatest transformation of Western society since the apostles first preached the Gospel throughout the Roman empire.

An heir of Bishop Augustine of Hippo, Martin Luther is one of the most significant figures God has raised up since that time. This law student turned Augustinian monk became the center of a great controversy after his theses were copied and distributed throughout Europe. Initially protesting the pope's attempt to sell salvation, Luther's study of Scripture soon led him to oppose the church of Rome on issues including the primacy of the Bible over church tradition and the means by which we are found righteous in the sight of God.

This last issue is probably Luther's most significant contribution to Christian theology. Though preached clearly in the New Testament and found in the writings of many of the church fathers, the medieval bishops and priests had largely forgotten the truth that our own good works can by no means merit God's favor. Salvation is by grace alone through faith alone, and good works result from our faith, they are not added to it as the grounds for our right standing in the Lord's eyes (Eph. 2:8-10). Justification, God's declaration that we are not guilty, forgiven of sin, and righteous in His sight comes because through our faith alone the Father imputes, or reckons to our account, the perfect righteousness of Christ (2 Cor. 5:21).

Martin Luther's rediscovery of this truth led to a whole host of other church and societal reforms and much of what we take for granted in the West would have likely been impossible had he never graced the scene. Luther's translation of the Bible into German put the Word of God in the hands of the people, and today Scripture is available in the vernacular language of many countries, enabling lay people to study it with profit. He reformed the Latin mass by putting the liturgy in the common tongue so that non-scholars could hear and understand the preached word of God and worship the Lord with clarity. Luther lifted the unbiblical ban on marriage for the clergy and by his own teaching and example radically transformed the institution itself. He recaptured the biblical view of the priesthood of all believers, showing all people that their work had purpose and dignity because in it they can serve their Creator.

Today, Luther's legacy lives on in the creeds and confessions of Protestant bodies worldwide. As we consider his importance, let us equip ourselves to be knowledgeable proclaimers and defenders of biblical truth. May we be eager to preach the Gospel of God to the world and thereby spark a new reformation of church and culture.

—Robert Rothwell (ed.)

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SERMON NOTES

Ephesians 6:4
“Reformed Fatherhood”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us engage with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning’s worship service, and may be useful during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. Today we celebrate Reformation Sunday. How do the Five Solas of the Reformation provide the framework for godly fatherhood?
2. What are examples of provoking a child to anger? How can we avoid this sinful way of parenting?
3. What does Paul have in mind when he exhorts fathers to, “Bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord?”
4. What should be our posture before the Lord and towards our children as we give ourselves to the spiritual nurture of our children?
5. How does Deuteronomy 6:4–9 guide us in the “why and the way” to nurture and train our children?
6. How does the doctrine of God’s sovereign grace in the first chapters of Ephesians influence the way we understand Paul’s exhortation on how we raise our children?

Highlights

OCTOBER 25, 2026

What's Next?

We have friendly faces waiting to help you connect to Christ and one another at PCPC just as you exit the front of the Sanctuary. Look for the Connect banner on your way to the Grand Hall. We would also love to help you abide in and extend Christ. You can find out more at the Information Center in the Grand Hall. Download the free PCPC mobile app to explore more.

Connection Card

Thanks for joining us today! If you are new or looking to connect with others in our church family, please scan the QR code and fill out our Connection Card, so we can know you were here and help you connect.

pcpc.org/connect



Newcomers' Coffee

Sunday, November 1

10:45-11:00 A.M. | CONNECTIONS MEETING ROOM

Do you know anyone who's currently new to PCPC and wants to get more connected? Invite them to Newcomers' Coffee on the first Sunday of each month from 10:45-11:00 a.m. in the Connections Meeting Room at the north end of the Grand Hall. See you November 1!

pcpc.org/news-events

Short-Term Missions Showcase

Sunday, November 1

10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. | GRAND HALL

Walk through the Grand Hall and learn about each of the short-term mission trips for 2027. Celebrate how the Lord worked through PCPC in 2026 and look toward the future!

pcpc.org/shortterm

Young Adult Pickleball

Thursday, November 5

7:00 P.M. | THE SANDY PICKLE

Enjoy a few casual games of pickleball and snacks while connecting with new and old friends in our ministry!

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Poinsettias in the Sanctuary

Purchase a poinsettia in memory or honor of a friend or loved one to be displayed in the Sanctuary for Advent. Poinsettias are \$6 per plant. Reservations are open online through Nov. 23.

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A One Another Weekend

Saturday, November 7

Relationships, Marriages, and Other Messes: A One Another Weekend is an encouraging and redemptive Saturday (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) for anyone who wants to better understand the beautiful, complicated, and sometimes messy relationships God has placed in your life. Panel discussion includes Pat Hobin, Kari Stainback, and French Jones.

pcpc.org/one-another-weekend

Special Events

The Gathering (High School)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28 | 7:15 P.M. | THE LOFT

Dr. Nathan Davy Organ Concert

SUNDAY, NOV. 8 | 7:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Helping Hands

SATURDAY, NOV. 14 | 8:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. | MEET AT OAK LAWN WEST

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GENERAL FUND

2026/2027 Operating Budget	\$18,300,000
Jul 1, 2026–Oct 18, 2026 Budget	\$4,309,503
Jul 1, 2026–Oct 18, 2026 Giving	\$4,637,307
Budget Variance	\$327,804