



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

May 10, 2020
Fifth Sunday of Easter

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord

We Gather as God's People

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

Gnossienne No 2.

Eric Satie

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 66: 12-14

After the people of Israel have suffered a great tribulation, God speaks through the prophet Isaiah saying: "I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you. You shall see and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants."

HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

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For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
Lord of all, to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Parent God, like a father who welcomes a wayward child home; like a mother who comforts and protects her children, you love us and draw near to us to make all things new. Fling wide the doors of our hearts this day as we hear your word of life, that we too may open our lives to serve your world in love. May we respond to your call to discipleship by moving beyond our comfortable circles and into unfamiliar places, as we seek to share your dream of a world made new in Christ. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Gift of Love
Peggy Vaughan, Soprano

arr. Hal Hopson

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 2
Acts 9: 36-42

SERMON

“Giving Birth to God’s Presence in the World” Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

SPECIAL MUSIC

Gnossienne No 3. Lent

Eric Satie

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN

Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

**Standing on the promises of Christ my king,
Through eternal ages let his praises ring;
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.**

**Refrain: Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
Standing, standing, I’m standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God. (refrain)**

WE GO FORTH AS GOD’S PEOPLE

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONS

May the Love of the Lord

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**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God’s love dwell in you, throughout every day.
May God’s countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God’s Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

POSTLUDE

Gnossienne No 1. Lent

Eric Satie

Worship Leadership

Gail Bosch, Church Administrator and Webpage

Terry Day, Worship Leader

John Holter, Pianist and Art Selection

Joanne Lang, Chair of Worship Ministry Team

Ron Skinner, Audio and Video

Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher

Peggy Vaughan, Director of Music Ministries and Soloist