



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

November 1, 2020
All Saints Day

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

Sonatina in G major, Op 36 No 2. 1. Allegretto

M. Clementi

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:8

Jesse Riggs, liturgist

One: O taste and see that the Lord is good;

All: Happy are those who take refuge in God.

One: With hearts and hands and voices, let us praise the Lord.

HYMN

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Written by Martin Luther around 1527, this hymn became one of the most beloved hymns of the Protestant Reformation. The early 16th century was an era of tremendous social, political, and economic transition. It was also an era of religious conflict. Luther, through the words of this hymn, assures us that no matter what we are experiencing, God's care and love for us never falters.

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing. Our helper he, amid the flood of moral ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he. Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, you call us your own children and surround us with your love. We would seek to be as forgiving as you are, and to show compassion as you do, but we fail to live the life to which you have called us. Too often we lack courage, our knees grow weak, and we neglect to share the good news you have entrusted to us. Where we ought to forgive, we condemn; the evil we should shun, we embrace. Forgive us and teach us to nurture unity and peace. For the sake of Jesus Christ and the world he came to save, hear our prayers in the silence of this moment.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

John 3: 16

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Rainbow
Laura Ortiz, soloist

Kasey Musgraves

When it rains, it pours,
but you didn't even notice
it ain't raining anymore.
It's hard to breathe when all you know is
the struggle of staying above the rising water line.

Well, the sky is finally opened,
The rain and wind stopped blowing.
But you're stuck out in the same old storm again.
You hold tight to your umbrella,
'Cause, Darling, I'm just trying to tell you
That there's always been a rainbow hanging over your head.

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 30
Hebrews 12

SERMON

"Surrounded by a Great Cloud of Witnesses"

Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Hymn of Preparation

Table of Grace

Come to the table of grace, come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of peace....

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Remembering of the Saints

Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Communion Music Sonatina in G major, Op 36 No. 2. 2. Allegretto

M. Clementi

HYMN

For All the Saints

**For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

WE GO FORTH AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

Sonatina in G major, Op 36 No 2. 3. Allegro

M. Clementi

Worship Leadership Ushers: 9:00 Charles and Betty White; 11:00 Richard, Janet and Logan Johnson
Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher, Jesse Riggs, Liturgist Ron Skinner, Audio & Video John Holter, piano
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director Laura Ortiz, Soloist Joanne Lang, Worship Ministry Team Chair
Gail Bosch, Church Administrator & Webpage