



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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11:00am

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

“Moment by Moment” in the Setting of Camille Saint-Saens “The Swan” by May Moody
Alison Mossey, piano arr. Cindy Berry

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 107

Christopher Dennis, liturgist

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands.

They cried to the Lord and he delivered them from their distress; he led them by a straight way.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

*HYMN #175

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.

Allelu, alleluia!

You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.

Allelu, alleluia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us return to our God in confession considering God's steadfast love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Ever-faithful God, how often we turn away from you, yet you remain constant to us. We stray from you, caught up in our daily routines, and often ignore your presence in our lives. And yet, you call us back to you. In our words and deeds we neglect to demonstrate compassion for one another. And yet you profess your love for us. In our anger and prejudices we cut ourselves off from one another and you. And yet, you will not let us go. Forgive our faithless and fickle ways and increase our gratitude, that we might grow in faithfulness to you. Open to us your constant presence, Holy One. Teach us to pray that we may walk with you each day. Hear us now as we lift our silent individual confessions to you.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

from Hosea 11: 8-11

Hear these words from our God: I cannot give up on you – my compassion grows warm and tender. When my children come trembling, I will bring them home. Believe the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

Tw'as grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

We Share God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11: 1-13

SERMON

**"Ask, Search, Knock"
Practicing Prayer**

Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

We Respond to God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Gilbert M. Martin

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;**

**Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence
he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING

Offertory

Offertory Music Theme and Variations on “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” by Christine Gustafson
Alison Mossey, piano

***Hymn of Dedication #606**

“Doxology”

***Prayer of Dedication**

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

We Go Forth As God’s People

***HYMN #470**

There Is a Longing in Our Hearts

Refrain: There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us. There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer. In sorrow, in grief: be near; hear our prayer, O God.

For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer. In weakness, in fear: be near; hear our prayer, O God.

For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer. In sickness, in death: be near; hear our prayer, O God.

***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

“The Solid Rock”
Alison, Mossey, piano

by William Bradbury, arr. Cindy Berry

***You are invited to stand.**

Worship Leadership Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt, Preacher Christopher Dennis, Liturgist
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director Alison Mossey, piano Chancel Choir Ron Skinner, audio and video
Ushers: Kevin Skinner, Stacey Skinner Worship Ministry Team Chair, Joanne Lang