

October 2, 2022; 9:00 am
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather Together

Prelude "I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"

arr. Gerhard Krapf

*(Welcome to our Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom or watching several days from now, we are glad you are here. We extend a special welcome to our visitors. Please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. **Masking (N-95 preferred) and social distancing are not required but are respected and encouraged. Please consider your own health and the health of those around you.**)*

Welcome & Announcements

Ringling of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

***Call to Worship**

Lew Smith

To the Lord our God, Alpha and Omega, beginning and end,
be all glory and honor forever.

Amen.

***Prayer**

Almighty and Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, who hast created us for thyself, so that our hearts are restless till they rest in thee, grant unto us purity of heart and strength of purpose so that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing thy will, and no weakness from doing it. In thy light may we see life clearly, and in thy service find perfect freedom. For thy mercy's sake, Amen.

(John Watson, "Prayers & Services", 1909)

***Hymn GTG 310 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"**

Carol Wetzel

***Call to Confession**

Our faith may be small, but God's power is great.

Our sins may loom large, but God's promise of forgiveness is sure.

Trusting that God is able to do for us what we could never do for ourselves, let us make our confession.

***Confession**

God of grace, we confess that the seed of our faith is small.

Hope is often absent.

Love is frequently inconvenient.

Our sin keeps us from responding to you.

Tend to us in mercy, so that we may grow in the ways of faith, hope, and love, after the example of Jesus Christ.

Silent Confession

(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)

***Assurance of Pardon**

Sisters and Brothers, stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. I declare to you: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Amen!

***Sharing God's Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with! **And also, with you!**

*(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. **We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.**)*

***Hymn PH 577 "Glory Be to the Father"**

God's Word Is Proclaimed

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 37:1-9

New Testament Lesson

1 Timothy 1:1-14

Children's Time

Jennifer Zander

Homily "The Basics"

Rev. Ken Locke

We Respond to God's Word

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

People of God, lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the One who cradles our hearts in loving hands.

People of God, let us give thanks to the God who sets a Table for us.

We praise the Lord our God who welcomes us with open arms.

It is our greatest joy

to sing our songs of praise to you,

Gardener of Creation.

You planted the seed of faith

in our ancestors

who sought to pass it on to us.

But your gifts of love and self-discipline

found no resting place in our souls.

Your tears washed

the streets of the kingdom

when we abandoned them

to walk the world's lonely paths.

We do not remember who protects us,

and we rely on those false gods

who would lead us into despair's captivity.

But you will not forget us,

or leave us orphaned.

Hearing us crying in the night,

you sent our Hope, Jesus Christ.

Therefore, we lift our voices with those

in every time, and in every place,

who have been brought out of death's exile

and who forever live in your joy:

God of Creation, Lord of all beauty,

All creatures join in sharing your love;

**Holy Compassion, Joy of our mornings,
Fill us with grace which comes from above.**

Holy are you, seaker of our hearts,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, Promise of Life.
When we had hung our souls
on the branches of loss,
 he handed them back to us,
 teaching us the ageless
 harmonies of grace.

**When the world left us
by the side of the road
like rusty automobiles,
 he came to restore us to newness.**

**Splashing in sin's puddles,
 he washed our feet
 and dried them with his love,
 leading us into the kingdom.**

Daughters of despair, sons of sadness,
orphans of woe -
 he gathers us all up
 in his arms of mercy
 wiping out death,
 and sits us down
 at the family Table.

Holy Spirit,
as we offer the gifts
of the bread and the cup
for your blessing,
so we present ourselves:
 our accomplishments, our failings,
 our hopes, our realities.

**Make us weak,
 so we might rely
 on your strength.**
**As we have heard the Word,
 may we listen
 to the cries of the poor.**

**As we are family
with those sitting beside us today,
may we love our sisters and brothers
in every corner of creation.**

As you hold out
the bread and the cup to us,
may we reach out to enemies
to clasp hands as friends.

God in Community, Holy in One,
all honor and glory are yours,
now and forever.

Amen.

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Words of Institution

The 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.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering "Guilbsborough"

arr. Kris Bartelt

***Offertory: PH 428 "We Give Thee but Thine Own" (vs1)**

***Offertory Prayer**

***Hymn GTG 706 Commit Your Way to God the Lord**

***Charge and Benediction**

Let all God's people say,
Alleluia, Amen!

***Closing Refrain PH 537 "Shalom Chaverim!"**

Israeli Melody

(We will sing Verse 1 together, then all verses in a round)

Farewell, good friends,
Farewell, good friends,
Shalom, shalom!
Till we meet again, till we meet again,
Shalom, shalom.

Shalom, chaverim!
Shalom, chaverot!
Shalom, shalom!
Lehitraot, lehitraot,
Shalom, shalom.

This Hebrew blessing is set to a traditional Israeli melody. The version in *The Presbyterian Hymnal (1990)* differs from others in its use of both the masculine *chaverim* and the feminine *chaverot*, plural Hebrew words for “good friends. The Hebrew is pronounced: Shah-lom, kah-vay-reem, shah-lohm, kah-vay-roht! Lah-heet-rah-oht.)

Postlude “St. Thomas”

arr. by Albert Beck

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This Week at Church

Sunday	10.02
9:00-10:00am	Worship and Communion Pastor Ken is leading us in worship. Sanctuary & Live-streamed
10:15am	Fellowship Time
10:15-11:15am	Growing Connections for All Ages Presbyterianism Fellowship Hall
11:30-12:30pm	PYA – Fellowship Hall
6:00-7:30pm	Boy Scout Meeting
Monday	10.03
10:00-11:30am	Staff Meeting
1:00-2:00pm	Deacons
Tuesday	10.04
7:00-8:00pm	Book Study (Zoom)
Wednesday	10.05
8:00-9:00am	Men’s Breakfast - Pump ‘n Pantry
10:30-11:30am	Book Study (Church)
4:30-5:30pm	Handbell Practice
7:00-8:00pm	Confirmation
Thursday	10.06
4:15-5:15pm	Serving Team
Sunday	10.09
9:00-10:00am	Worship Congregational Mission Study Team (CMST) Presentation Pastor Ken is leading us in worship. Fellowship Hall & Live-streamed
10:15am	Fellowship Time
10:15-11:15am	Growing Connections for All Ages My Feelings are a Work of Art (Fellowship Hall)
11:30-12:30pm	PYA (Fellowship Hall)
6:00-7:30pm	Scout Meeting

This Week at Church

New Member Classes

October 2 – Presbyterianism. What do we believe? Why do we worship the way we do? What are ways you can be a part of our life in ministry together?

Congregational Mission Study Team (CMST) October 9

Book Study – “Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life”
Through November 16

Please contact the church office for more information.

- **Tuesday Evenings on Zoom** 7:00pm
(Contact the office for the Zoom link)
- **Wednesday Mornings In-Person** 10:30pm

Wednesday Updates / Sunday Reminders

Watch for these in your inbox, around 11:00am, on Wednesday and Saturday.