

The Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship
19th Sunday after Pentecost, October 8, 2023 - 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Be Still, My Soul
Knox Bell Choir

arr. Lloyd Larson

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Who is our Creator?

The steady ground beneath our feet in times of trouble.

Who is our Redeemer?

The One who draws us out from our hiding places.

Who is our Sustainer?

The One who bears our pain and revives our souls.

The One who we adore with praise, prayer, and worship.

*HYMN 386

Come, Worship God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Toby Montgomery

Director of Ministries to Youth, Young Adults & their Families

Eternal God, we confess that we have done wrong.

**We live for ourselves and not for those in need;
we treat people who are different with disrespect,
and we ignore the pain we cause to our planet.**

We pass by the hungry and the oppressed.

**Forgive us and free us from selfishness,
so we can choose your way and obey your commandments,
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

This Is the Day

by Chris Fortin

1 C Gm Bb C C/E Eb G(sus4) G
This is the day the Lord has made. Let us de - clare our thanks and praise.

7 F E7 Am F C/E F G(sus4) G7 C
God has re - deemed and for - giv - en, through Je - sus Christ, our Sav - ior. A - men.

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
and also with you.

I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Stacy Currie, Director of Ministries to Children and Their Families
Let the Children Come by Helen Kemp

**Let the little children come to me.
Let them come and gather at my knee.
Let them come, dear friends, for don't you see,
this is how God's kingdom ought to be?
This is how God's kingdom ought to be.**

(Children ages preschool–grade 5 are invited to attend Sunday School. Middle School students are invited to attend Bibles & Bagels. Nursery care is available for children ages 2 years and younger.)

*HYMN 62 *Love the Lord Your God*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9 (pp. 162; 163) Beth Cleary
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON **Getting Back On Course** Dennis Jones, Pastor

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING
OFFERTORY *The Greatest Commandment* by Pepper Choplin
Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow* HYMN 606
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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;
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.**

*CLOSING HYMN 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

A Festal Postlude
Organ

by John G. Barr

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Please join us for Fellowship in the Church House Courtyard
immediately following worship.

Maureen Paterson is away on pilgrimage walking part of the Camino de Santiago
and will return on October 11.

Flowers

The Flowers are given to the glory of God:

~In loving memory of Pat Lord, by Sue Brewer.

The flowers that grace our sanctuary each week are gifts from members of the congregation. Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion and cost \$42 per pier. There are openings in October. If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact our flower coordinator Ellen Johnson at (908) 285-1638 or email her at flowers@brpc.org.



Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 8

Early Bible Study, 8:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & Zoom
Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Streamed Live, 10:00 a.m.
Bibles & Bagels, 10:15 a.m., Church House Library
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Calvin Hall
Fellowship & Refreshments, 11:00 a.m., Church House Courtyard
Middle School Fellowship, 5:00 p.m., Youth Center

Monday, October 9

Trustees, 7:00 p.m., online
Fellowship Council, 7:30 p.m., online
Meditation Group, 7:30 p.m., online

Tuesday, October 10

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online
Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Geneva & Middle Rooms
Children's Mid-week, 4:15 p.m., Westminster Hall & Knox Room
Alpha Bell Choir, 6:15 p.m., Knox Room
Scout Troop #351, 7:00 p.m., Youth Center
Tuesday Night Small Group, 7:15 p.m., Church House Library & online
Knox Bell Choir, 7:30 p.m., Knox Room

Wednesday, October 11

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online
Church Librarians Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Church House Library
Wednesday Night Discussion Group, 7:00 p.m., online
Stewardship Council, 7:30 p.m., Church House Parlor

Thursday, October 12

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online
Seeking Strength in Troubled Times, 9:15 a.m., online
Meditation Group, 4:30 p.m., online
Sanctuary Choir, 7:00 p.m., Knox Room & Sanctuary
Seeking Strength in Troubled Times, 7:30 p.m., online
Oratorio Choir, 8:15 p.m., Knox Room & Sanctuary

Friday, October 13

Saturday, October 14

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