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ORDER OF WORSHIP

17th Sunday after Pentecost // 10:00am

World Communion Sunday // October 2, 2022

MEDITATION TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

Scriptures must be interpreted. Sometimes their meanings seem to conflict, or a particular message given in one context appears to be contradicted in another context. It is important to read any Scripture in the light of its context and the Bible's broader message and themes. It is not enough to find a passage or two or six to support a particular view. We interpret all Scripture in the light of Jesus' life and teachings, as well as with the help of the Spirit's witness, the wisdom of scholars, and our intellect and life experience.

~ Half Truths, by Adam Hamilton

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

INTROIT Rejoice, the Lord is King! Traditional

LIFE AT FIRST

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE Wayfaring Stranger arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: From north and south, from east and west, we come:

All: God's people called to the Table where simple grace nourishes us.

One: From down the street to across town, from single households to apartment

dwellers:

All: God's people are called to community, where we live and serve one another.

One: From every class, every race, every status; from little ones with sippy cups to

elders with overflowing hearts:

^{*}Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

All: God's people are called to witness to God's hope, to offer peace to a shattered world.

HYMN #851

Come, Bring Your Burdens to God

South African music

TIME OF CONFESSION

One: We do not have to beg God to forgive us. We simply confess our foolish words, our mistaken acts, and our grudging hearts. Please join me as we pray together, saying,

All: We could have mercy, Compassion's heart, but we judge others by standards we cannot meet ourselves. We could welcome all around us as sisters and brothers, but we hold them at contempt's length away from us. We could have patience with family and friends, but we tap our feet and drum our fingers until they do what we want. Forgive us for not seeing you in others around us. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Cantor: Kyrie eleison, Lord, have mercy.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Cantor: Christe eleison, Christ, have mercy.

All: Christe eleison.

Cantor: Kyrie eleison, Lord, have mercy.

All: Kyrie eleison

PRAYER OF ASSURANCE

SONG OF ASSURANCE #482 Baptized in Water

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM Reap What You Sow Pepper Choplin

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

So Glad You're Here

I'm so glad you're here I'm so glad you're here

I'm so glad you're here, here today! (x2)

We're gonna *sing while we're here
We're gonna *sing while we're here
We're gonna *sing while we're here, here today! (x2)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Job 15:1-6; Proverbs 13:20-24

SERMON Everything Happens for a Reason? Rev. Linda Male

LORD'S SUPPER CELEBRATION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION HYMN #503 Lord, We Have Come At Your Own Invitation

GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to God.

One: Let us give thanks to the Holy One our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: We proclaim the mystery of what we believe:

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

#464 Our Father, Which Art in Heaven

West Indian folk melody

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND LIVES

*DOXOLOGY #606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN #382 Heaven Is Singing for Joy Latin American folk music

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE 6:55 Amens Sinnegam

Worship Leaders: Rev. Linda Male, Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Chuck Norris, FPC Choir, Laura McMullen

Thanks to: Technical Support Team, Greeters and Ushers, Bus Drivers, M&M Café Providers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Members // This morning We publicly welcome members who were received since last October: Paul and Martha (Marty) Dobosz, Hollee Graber, Mimi Keller, and Sarah and James (Jim) Veltman, new members by transfer of membership or reaffirmation of faith.

Young Families // Join us this afternoon for apple picking at Cranes Orchard in Fennville. See you there!

Church Directory // We are in the process of updating the church directory. If your contact information is outdated (address, phone number or email address) please call or email Hannah in the office -or- simply update your information when signing the red Friendship Pad. Thank you!

FPC BAND!!! // Dust off your old instruments and bring them to church for our first **FPC band rehearsal** on **Sunday**, **October 9**. All ability levels and ages are welcome. One-on-one zoom instruction can be arranged with Chuck to review, no matter how long it has been! Questions? Feel free to contact Chuck at charles@fpcholland.org.

Holland Community Theatre // Join us Friday, October 14 at 7:30pm for another production at HCT: *California Suite*, a Comedy by Neil Simon. Four comedic scenarios play out at a hotel. Divorced couple Hannah and Bill argue over custody of their daughter. An actress frets over her Oscar nomination as her gay husband comes out of the closet. A businessman finds a comatose prostitute in his bed. And two competitive doctors settle their differences with a free-for-all tennis game. Sign-up in the church lobby. Tickets are \$15per person. Optional dinner at 5:30pm at the Curraugh. Contact Chris Urbaniak with questions.

Art in the Church // We are hoping to put up a new display of art in early October related to Pastor Paul's "Birds" sermon earlier this summer. If you have a favorite photo or sculpture of birds in the Bible such as eagles, sparrows, pigeons, doves, or other birds that are meaningful to you, please drop your contribution off in the church office. (Work will be stored in the choir room and will be secure.) Contact Jan Brashler with questions.



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Come, Bring Your Burdens to God 851

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Baptized in Water





Christ our King; blood of heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the one with his ris - ing, tomb with Christ our King; freed and for born of the Spir - it, sign of Christ our King; we are God's



giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing. chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

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Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation



Eat This Bread G C Am D Bm Opt. A "Eat this bread; drink this cup; me and come to Opt. B Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to Christ and Em Dsus D G D this bread; be hun Eat nev - er gry. nev - er hun this bread; be gry. Eat G C Em Bm Dsus D $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ trust in me and you will thirst." drink this cup; not drink this cup; trust in Christ and you will thirst. not

Morning Has Broken

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- 1 Morn-ing has bro ken like the first morn ing; black-bird has
- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun lit from heav en, like the first
- 3 Mine is the sun light! Mine is the morn ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. For dew - fall on the first grass. For one light E - den saw play! For one light E - den saw play!

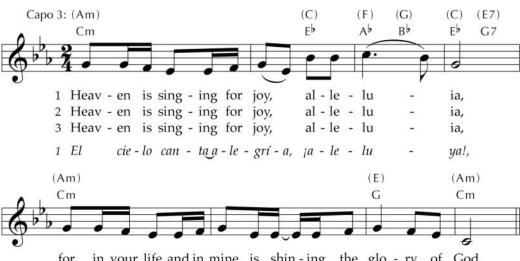
Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass. morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Heaven Is Singing for Joy

El cielo canta alegría



for in your life and in mine is shin-ing the glo-ry of God. for your life and mine u-nite in the love of our God. for your life and mine will al-ways bear wit-ness to God.

por-que en tu vi-day la mí - a bri - lla la glo - ria de Dios.

