



First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Online Worship
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost – October 18, 2020

PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Exalt the Almighty and worship at God's holy mountain,
for the Lord our God is holy.

Look! The Lord draws near; come into the presence of the Holy One.

Let us behold the glory of our God.

HYMN #372

"O for a World"

1 O for a world where everyone
respects each other's ways,
where love is lived and all is done
with justice and with praise.

2 O for a world where goods are shared
and misery relieved,
where truth is spoken, children spared,
equality achieved.

3 We welcome one world family
and struggle with each choice

that opens us to unity
and gives our vision voice.

4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong;
the foolish ones are wise.
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong,
who perishes will rise.

5 O for a world preparing for
God's glorious reign of peace,
where time and tears will be no more,
and all but love will cease.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Living Lord, in you we live and move and have our being.

You call us to give all that we are and all that we have in service to Christ.

**But we hold tightly to our treasure, afraid we will not have enough for ourselves,
and hold back our talents, afraid these gifts will not be enough.**

**God, unclench our fists and help us to give fully and freely
so that, in all things, we might serve and glorify you.**

(silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE #582

"Glory to God"

- 1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
- 2 World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Hosea 11:1-3, 8, 9

- 11** When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.
- 2** The more I called them,
the more they went from me;
they kept sacrificing to the Baals,
and offering incense to idols.
- 3** Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,
I took them up in my arms;
but they did not know that I healed them.
- 8** How can I give you up, Ephraim?
How can I hand you over, O Israel?
How can I make you like Admah?
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?
My heart recoils within me;
my compassion grows warm and tender.
- 9** I will not execute my fierce anger;
I will not again destroy Ephraim;
for I am God and no mortal,
the Holy One in your midst,
and I will not come in wrath.

ANTHEM

"Hosea"

Gregory Norbet

1. Come back to me with all your heart.
Don't let fear keep us apart.
Trees do bend, though straight and tall;
So must we to others' call.
 2. The wilderness will lead you
to your heart where I will speak.
Integrity and justice
with tenderness you shall know
 3. You shall sleep secure with peace;
faithfulness will be your joy.
- Refrain:
Long have I waited for your coming home
to me and living deeply our new life.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2:1-7

2 If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, **2** make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. **3** Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. **4** Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. **5** Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

6 who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
7 but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

SERMON

"The Power of Empathy"

The Rev. Kellie Weekley-Mills

HYMN #727

"Servant Song"

1 Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

4 I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

2 We are pilgrims on a journey;
we're together on the road.
We are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

5 When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

3 I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the nighttime of your fear.
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

6 Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN #300

“We are One in the Spirit”

1 We are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity
may one day be restored:

Refrain:

And they'll know we are
Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are
Christians by our love.

2 We will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand,

and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land: (Refrain)

3 We will work with each other;
we will work side by side;
we will work with each other;
we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity
and save human pride: (Refrain)

4 All praise to the Father,
from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus,
God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us one: (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Kellie Weekley-Mills, guest pastor

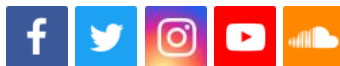
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