

PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
“Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ...”

GATHERING ...

Gathering Music
The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Prelude Allegro in D Minor VIVALDI/BACH

***Call to Worship** Richard Ray

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to the Lord with whole hearts.

People: Glory to God whose wonders are to be remembered.

Leader: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

People: The Lord feeds the righteous with truth.

ALL: COME! LET US GIVE THANKS TO GOD!

***Hymn 262** God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand NATIONAL HYMN

Call to Confession and Prayer (unison)

Holy and powerful God, you guide all spirits, comfort those in distress, and cast out all the forces in our lives that seek to destroy. We pause as we begin to acknowledge that we feel unable and remain unwilling to do your will. We protect what is familiar to us and reject what is unknown. We admire those with courage but excuse ourselves when we falter from the truth. We forget that you are *always* with us, and that with you all things are possible. Forgive us, lead us, make us new. Remove our desire to heed false prophets, and show us your way; in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, Mother of us all, hear our silent prayers of return ...

(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds.

People: We ask for forgiveness and we seek a new life.

Leader: Then our sins are forgiven and our lives are made new in Christ our Lord.

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD. ALLELUIA! AMEN!!

***Response 579** Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI

***Passing of the Peace**

HEARING ...

Time for Young Disciples Kim Pappas

Anthem Ubi Caritas VICTOR C. JOHNSON

Scripture Mark 1:29-39

Sermon RE - LIGARE Reverend Joel Weible

***Hymn 515** Now to Your Table Spread LOVE UNKNOWN

RESPONDING ...

***Affirmation of Faith** from THE IONA COMMUNITY

We believe that God hopes and works for a world where all shall be included in the feast of life and that in Christ we see how costly it is to bring that world about.

We believe that God of all the earth is at work beyond the churches as well as within them, working for justice, so that all may have a say in what happens to them.

We long for the time when all who hunger and thirst for justice shall be satisfied and we believe that despite the persistence of evil, now is always the time when more good can be done and we *can* make a difference. Amen.

Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offertory Variations on “PLEADING SAVIOR” STEPHEN ABER

***Doxology 592** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication** (unison)

Generous God, you are our portion and our cup. In you our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice, and our bodies rest. Bless and multiply our offerings this morning that they may bring the joy of your presence more deeply into the world. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (see insert)

Serving Communion: Connie & Larry Vice, Carol & Ron Warren

SENDING ...

***Hymn 280**

Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

***Charge and Benediction**

The Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

Postludio in G Major

GEORGE BLAKE

PLEASE NOTE: Food and drinks are not allowed in the Sanctuary.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

All elements of recent services may be heard on our website;

Manuscripts and Audio Podcasts can also be found.

PeweeValleyPresbyterian.org

***“We have found in this church a spiritual home
where we learn to serve others,
enjoy and glorify God,
celebrate differences,
and faithfully follow the Lord Jesus Christ.”***

Sunday Morning Worship

February 4, 2018 – 5th Sunday after Epiphany

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.
Let us give thanks!

People: Our God has bent down and fed us.

Leader: Like a father, God has held us.

People: Our God has calmed and quieted our fear.

Leader: Like a mother, God has forgiven us.

People: And returned us from our exile.

Leader: This is the Lord's Table. Our Savior invites all who trust him to share in the feast which has been prepared.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to be thankful and full of praise.

We are thankful, God, for the promise of this meal; for your presence to break the bonds of isolation and power to overcome our powerlessness; for the wisdom to follow your Spirit. We are grateful for the promise of this day: New life for tired spirits. Help us to reach out to each other in community and be agents of renewal. May your resurrection happen in and through us.

Sung Response, Hymn 580

SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory:
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.**

We dream, O God, of community, but in our waking hours we forget such hopes. Our dreams we call "alien." Our Sister and Brother we call "stranger." But you, O Lord, call us by name. With arms outstretched as on a cross, you call us to yourself, and you name us as your people. So with arms outstretched, we now embrace new friends and forgotten dreams. The body broken and lifeblood poured transforms our fears and revives our visions.

Sung Response, Hymn 582

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Dying, You destroyed our death;

Rising, You restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Renew us, O God, with your Spirit, that we may receive this mystery of our body, embracing its many gifts and needs, shouting an "Amen! So be it!" that resounds through the whole world. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Communion of the People

(Please wait to partake of the elements until all are served.)

Prayer after the Sharing (unison)

Since, dear God, in this place at this table, we have touched, we have tasted, and we have heard the signs of your love for us, grant that we may go away from this place filled with our love for you and overflowing with our love for those who are around us and who share our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ who shows us the way to new life with you. Amen.