

PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ...”

GATHERING ...

Gathering Music
The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Prelude Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now D. BUSAROW

***Call to Worship** Emma MacNiven

Leader: We will bless the Lord at all times;

People: God’s praise shall continually be in our mouths.

Leader: Our souls make their boast in the Lord;

People: O magnify the Lord together.

ALL: LET US EXALT GOD’S LOVE!

***Hymn 483** Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART

Call to Confession

Leader: God is with us, loving us and calling us to be all that we can be.

People: We pray now to be with God, leaving nothing out.

Leader: With confidence and hope, let us pray together...

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have been angry with the world and nursed grudges against our adversaries. We have hoarded the fruits of our labors rather than share our bounty with the needy. We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness but have indulged in hurtful gossip. We have not forgiven the wrongs other have done, even though we desire our own forgiveness. Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loves. In His name, hear our silent prayers of return ...

(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God loves us and frees us from all that we do to turn away from the transformative power of belief.

People: God hears our cries and questions, and promises to remain in covenant with us.

Leader: In the name of the Risen One, who came, who comes, and who is to come again, the heavy weight of our doubt is lifted.

People: We are forgiven and may begin again to love as Christ loves.

ALL: ALLELUIA! AMEN.

***Response 298** There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILONE
(stanza 1 only)

***Passing of the Peace**

HEARING ...

Time for Young Disciples Rev. Joel Weible

Anthem How Bright is the Day VIRGIL THOMPSON

Scripture Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Sermon Teasing our Minds Into Insight Rev. Joel Weible

RESPONDING ...

***Hymn 429** Lord, You Give the Great Commission ABBOT’S LEIGH
(Stanzas 1, 3, & 5 only)

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed page 14 of Hymnal

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offertory Just a Closer Walk with Thee

M. KIM

***Doxology 592** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

One and Eternal God of time and space, we respond to you with joy as we lift up our tithes and offerings. The opportunity to share is a blessing for which we are *very* thankful. Your generous provision for our needs prompts us to be generous in return. Accomplish your purposes, we pray, through these gifts and in our lives. Amen.

SENDING ...

Hymn 358 Help Us Accept Each Other

BARONITA

***Charge and Benediction**

The Ringing of the Bell

***Postlude** Intrada

GEORGE BLAKE

* Please stand, if comfortably able to do so

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church



***“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

August 25, 2019 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost