

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church

Drive-In Worship Service

October 25, 2020 – Reformation Sunday – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING ...

The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Call to Worship

Leader: God calls people from the farthest places of the earth.

People: From east and west, from north and south, the people of God gather together.

Leader: From all ways of life and every experience, the people of God gather together.

People: We have heard God's call, too, and come as this congregation to be the gathered people of God.

ALL: LET US WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER!

Opening Hymn, No. 275

God of Our Life

SANDON

*God of our life, through all the circling years, we trust in Thee;
In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, Thy hand we see.
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,
We own Thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.*

*God of the past, our times are in Thy hand; with us abide.
Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land; be Thou our guide.
With Thee to bless, the darkness shines as light,
And faiths fair vision changes into sight.*

*God of the coming years, through paths unknown we follow Thee;
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone; our refuge be.
Be Thou for us in life our daily bread,
Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.*

Call to Confession and Prayer (unison)

Majestic and merciful God, once again we come before you a wayward people. We too often forget your intentions for us and reject the way of Christ; we disregard the power of your Spirit and we worship ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore us in the knowledge of whose we are, and make us alive to serve you with faith, hope, and love. In Christ's name hear our silent prayers ...

(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession)

Assurance of Pardon (unison)

Leader: Speak the Good News!

People: God has forgiven each one of us and calls us to take our parts in the drama of redeeming love.

ALL: PRAISE GOD, WHO ACCEPTS AND USES OUR VERY HUMAN LIVES IN THE UNFOLDING STORY OF SALVATION AND NEW LIFE. AMEN

*Response, Doxology 592

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

*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.*

HEARING ...

Scripture

Joel 2:23-27

Sermon

COMMUNITY, NOT COMMODITY

Rev. Joel Weible

Jesus, Lover of my soul, Let me find my rest in Thee.

*Jesus, Lover of my soul, Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters flow, While the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'Til the storm of life is past.
Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last.*

*Jesus, Lover of my soul, I find my rest in Thee.
Jesus, Lover of my soul, I find my rest, my rest in Thee.*

*Will Thou not regard my call? Will Thou not accept my prayer?
Lord, I sink, I faint, I fall. Lord, on Thee I cast my care.*

*Jesus, Lover of my soul, I find my rest in Thee.
Jesus, Lover of my soul, I find my rest, my rest in Thee.
Jesus, Lover of my soul, I find my rest in Thee.*

RESPONDING ...

Affirmation of Faith for Stewardship Season

We believe in God, Creator of the Universe, Giver of every good gift, Author of Life itself.

We believe in Jesus Christ who reminded us that God's Kingdom is already among us and commanded us to care for those in need. Who taught us not to store up treasures on earth, but to empty ourselves in self-giving love.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who inspires us to the faithful stewardship of God's gifts and in whom we live and move and have our being.

We believe that stewardship is an act of worship and a means of praising God who has blessed us so abundantly. God has great things in store for us, for it is in giving that we receive. Amen

Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

SENDING ...

Closing Hymn, No. 339

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.*

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

Our flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God

To dedicate flowers for an upcoming Sunday, contact the Church Office (241-4326)

This Week's Birthdays

Carol Culver (10/25), Kathy Bott (10/27), Lois Hicks (10/27),
Lynn Wilkinson (10/28), Jim Stoess (10/29)