

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

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**GATHERING ...**

**Gathering Music**  
**The Ringing of the Bell**  
**Words of Welcome**

**PREPARING ...**

**Prelude**      God Bless America      BERLIN

**\*Call to Worship**      Margaret Hill

Leader: If we come to this worship lonely or empty or frightened,

**People: If we come with our inadequacies seeking God’s wholeness,**

Leader: We will find God’s grace.

**People: And from our self-imposed helplessness we will be freed by the Gospel’s power for love and justice.**

**ALL: LET US WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER!**

**\*Hymn 331**      God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand  
NATIONAL HYMN

**Call to Confession and Prayer** (*unison*)

O Holy God, we come in confession for our lack of love. We have neither loved ourselves nor our neighbors. We have passed by suffering and misfortune because of fear or busyness or preoccupation. We have prejudices against people too deep to fully recognize. Heal our pains, amend our faults, and guide us in ways of compassion. Hear our silent prayers of return ...

*(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: There is no greater joy in the heart of God than the moment that a son or daughter opens to the gift of forgiveness.

**People: God’s Spirit reaches out to assure us of welcome in Christ.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are God’s by grace, forgiven and redeemed.

**People: With great joy we are made alive. Alleluia!**

**ALL: AMEN.**

**\*Response, No. 581**      Glory Be to the Father      GLORIA PATRI

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**HEARING ...**

**Sacred Space: A Time for Young Disciples**      Rev. Joel Weible  
*At the conclusion, children may return to their families*

**Anthem**      God Bless the U.S.A.      L.GREENWOOD

**Scripture**      Colossians 1:15-20

**Message**      FIRST PLACE IN EVERYTHING  
Rev. Joel Weible

**\*Hymn 318**      In Christ There Is No East or West      ST. PETER

**RESPONDING ...**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*)      The Apostles’ Creed

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

## Call to Offering and Offering

**Offertory**      Nun danket alle Gott      J.S. BACH

**\*Doxology, No. 606**   Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
OLD HUNDRETH

### **\*Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

O God, we celebrate your Spirit so freely given and so powerfully active within our church. As that Spirit moves in our midst, may it inspire us toward generosity and fire us with energy to serve you well. Receive our humble gifts in the name of Christ, whose presence is certain when the Spirit is with us. Amen.

## SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (*see insert*)

### **SENDING ...**

**\*Hymn 338**      O Beautiful for Spacious Skies      MATERNA

### **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **The Ringing of the Bell**

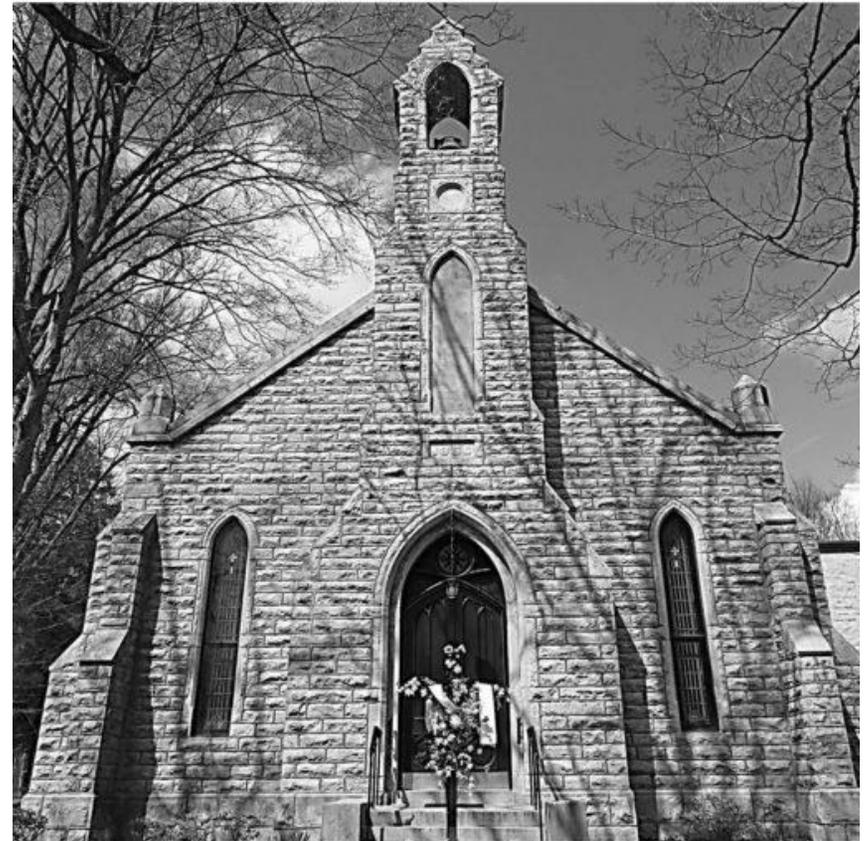
**\*Postlude**      Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory      M. MCDONALD

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### ***IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.***

Rev. Joel Weible's sermons are posted on our website each week at [PeweeValleyPresbyterian.org](http://PeweeValleyPresbyterian.org) under the "Media" tab.

## **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**

July 4, 2021 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: The presence of the Spirit comes to us with unexpected brightness, often answering unspoken prayers.

**People: We long to know the shining of the risen One among us.**

Leader: Gathered here, we risk the hope that we can remake our lives with a bit of bread and a shared cup.

**People: We seek a connection beyond understanding, a gleam of holiness in the Bread of Promise and the Cup of Joy.**

### Invocation and 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.**

God of spirit and flesh, God of heaven and earth, God of grape and grain, we spread our wings in flight toward you. We stretch our arms in need of you. We feed ourselves with gifts from you.

**We thank you for your love poured out as we sense your Spirit shining in the sunlight, sailing on the wind, and singing in the souls of each one gathered here.**

Recreate us in your image as we encounter you today, that our lives might ignite a love to light the world.

Sung Response, Hymn No. 552

LAND OF REST

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy One, you speak to us in silence, yet all languages interpret you.  
Because you call us to be community, we are able to become gifts to one another.

**We remember and give thanks for those called out with a vision of possibility and new life.**

We thank you especially for the gift of Jesus Christ, in whose life we find our call and through whose love we are saved.

Sung Response, Hymn No. 553

LAND OF REST

**Christ has died; Christ is risen;  
Christ will come again.  
Christ has died, Christ is risen;  
Christ will come again.**

We thank you for the openness of all those who have dared to accept your call to be the bearer and nurturer of your Love made flesh.  
For it is in his name we pray ...

**Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Words of Institution: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*This morning we receive Communion by Intinction. Please stand and move to the wall aisles. Come forward and receive a piece of bread. Dip your bread into the cup and take both elements at once. Then return to your seat by the middle aisle.*

### Prayer after the Sharing (*unison*)

Because the broken bread has meant our healing; because the outpoured cup has meant our life; because our common sharing has meant the communion of our souls; and because we have been graced by your presence here, O God: We give you thanks that our lives are renewed in the life and the love of Jesus Christ. Amen.