

# 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**      Fanfare: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"  
arr. DAVID LASKY

**\*Call to Worship**      Ashia Stoess

Leader: We have been called together to face God's new way of living.

**People: Sometimes we'd rather remember how things used to be.**

Leader: But this is a new day. This is a day to put aside fear and to take courage.

**People: We will look to the new day ahead of us and take courage in God's loving call.**

Leader: This morning the opening worship of the 225<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church takes place here in Louisville and virtually online. As we stand to sing our opening hymn, let it remind us that we stand with a greater cloud of witnesses, all of us gathered to transform the world.

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

**\*Hymn 529**      Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether      UNION SEMINARY

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

Most holy and most merciful God, in your presence we must face the sinfulness of our nature and the error of our ways, intended or accidental. You alone know how often we fail by wandering from your paths, wasting our gifts, and underestimating your love. Have mercy upon us, O God, for we have broken your requirements for justice and overlooked opportunities for kindness. Humble us with your truth and

raise us by your grace that we may more nearly be the people of Christ and the witnesses of your Spirit. Hear our silent prayers of return ...

*(A Time of Silence for Personal Confession: Pray the above prayer again, but this time substitute "I, my, and me" for "we, our, and us.")*

## **Assurance of Pardon**

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

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

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ we are God's by grace!

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

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

**\*Response, No. 288**      Spirit of the Living God      LIVING GOD

## **Passing of the Peace**

## HEARING ...

**Anthem**      As the Deer      MARTIN NYSTROM

**Scripture**      Acts 7:55-60

**Sermon**      A NEW FAITH: LIVING FOR IT      Rev. Joel Weible

**\*Hymn 50**      Deep in the Shadows of the Past      SHEPHERD'S PIPES

## RESPONDING ...

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*)      from A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives. Amen.

## Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Offertory**     Faith of Our Fathers

arr. GORDON YOUNG

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

**\*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.

### **SENDING ...**

**\*Hymn 298**     Lord, You Give the Great Commission     ABBOT'S LEIGH  
(stanzas 1, 3, and 5 only)

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**The Ringing of the Bell**

**\*Postlude**     Toccata in B minor

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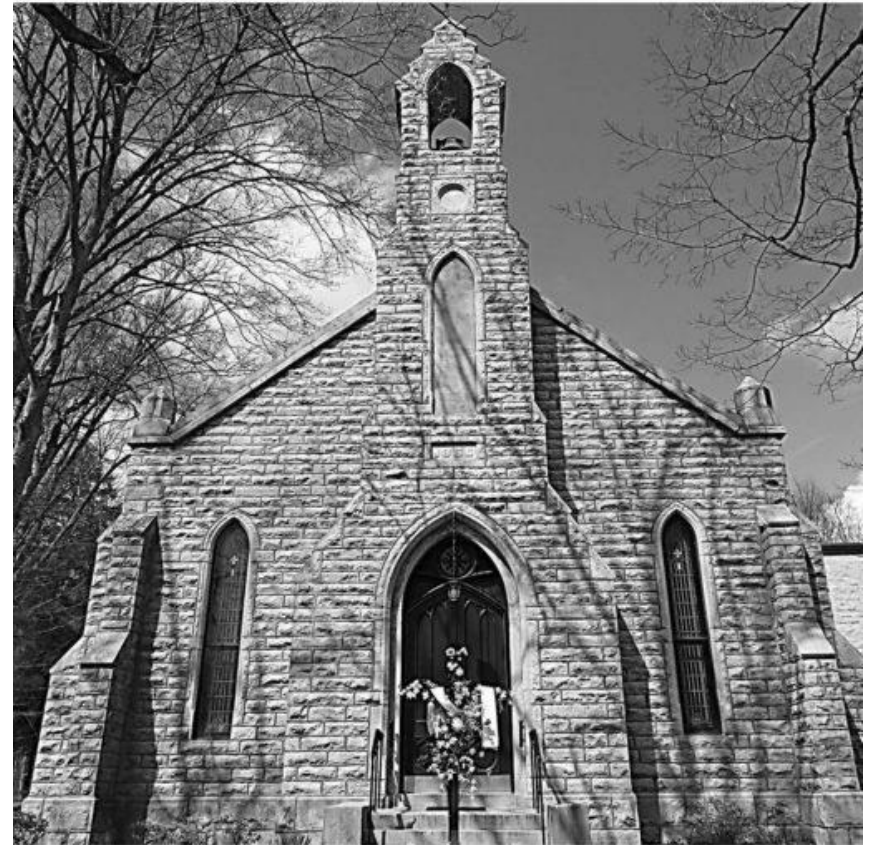
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## Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church



***"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**

June 19, 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost