### PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ..."

### GATHERING ...

Gathering Music The Ringing of the Bell Words of Welcome

#### PREPARING ...

Prelude Erhalt uns, Herr, bei deinem Wort

J. PACHELBEL

(Receive Us, Lord, at Your Word)

\*Call to Worship Arlene Torrens

Leader: We are all part of the Body of Christ. Hands, feet, eyes, noses,

fingers, and toes!

People: The Body does not consist of one member but of many.

Leader: God has arranged this body, this family of faith that forms us.

People: We have gathered together as One.

ALL: COME, LET THE BODY OF CHRIST WORSHIP ITS

**CREATOR!** 

\*Hymn 757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples KINGSFOLD

### **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

God of peace, you command us to love one another and live in peace with our neighbors. Yet, because of our closed minds, prejudice, and suspicion of difference, we frequently choose violence and war, we discriminate against minorities and the marginalized, we suppress basic human rights, we contribute to conflict amongst ethnic and religious groups. We pray for wisdom and humility. Empower us by your Spirit to embrace one another and walk peacefully together. In your mercy, 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: Friends, there is a kindness in God's justice that hears out our confessions and liberates us to move forward, to build a new and

better world.

People: God's Word forgives and redeems us. God's Breath revitalizes us for the journey.

Leader: Hear the Good News: We are forgiven by the Grace of God's

love for us.

ALL: ALLELUIA! AMEN.

\*Response 581 Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI

\*Passing of the Peace

### HEARING ...

Sacred Space and Prayers for the Children Ashia Stoess

Anthem Peace Like a River arr. DONALD MOORE

Scripture John 17:20-23

**Sermon** MAKE PEACE: UNDERSTANDING OTHERS

Rev. Joel Weible

\*Hymn 372 O for a World

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## RESPONDING ...

\*Affirmation of Faith (unison) from the BELHAR CONFESSION We believe that God has entrusted to the Church the message of reconciliation; that the Church is called to proclaim and embody this reconciliation; to be peacemakers; and to believe and to witness that God conquers all powers of sin and death, of hate, bitterness, and enmity, through the life-giving Word and Spirit. We praise God that the gospel does not separate people on the basis of race, gender, class, or culture, but is the power of reconciliation in Christ. Amen.

### **Time of Giving Thanks**

Announcements
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

### **Call to Offering and Offering**

**Offertory** On Eagle's Wings

arr. L. SMITH

\*Doxology 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
OLD HUNDRETH

\*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God our Source, through you come all gifts and all blessings. Though you love us all unconditionally, and long to see everyone thrive, we live in a broken, human world. Even though you have given us more than enough, we have skewed our resources, so some have too much, and others have too little. Accept these offerings as a beginning, a small way for us to restore the balance, that one day it will be as you intend and all will have enough. Amen.

### SENDING ...

\*Hymn 295

Go to the World!

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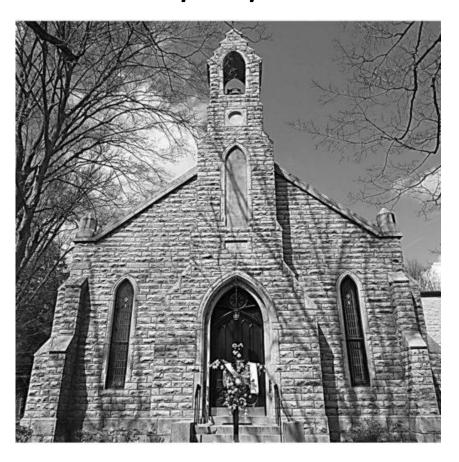
\*Charge and Benediction

The Ringing of the Bell

\*Postlude Prelude for Pedals

JOHANN KITELL

# **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**

September 25, 2022 – 16th Sunday after Pentecost

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand in body or spirit