#### PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

### GATHERING ...

Gathering Music The Ringing of the Bell Words of Welcome

# PREPARING ...

**Prelude** How Lovely Are the Messengers F. MENDELSSOHN

\*Call to Worship Ashia Stoess

Leader: In hope, our ancestors set out for a new land, seeking

relationship with a new God.

People: In hope, we seek to follow God in our lives.

Leader: In hope, the church seeks to discern the future to which God

calls us in our age.

People: In hope, we gather now to worship, seeking new life in

Christ.

ALL: GOD HOPE, GUIDE US NOW TO YOUR NEW AGE

OF PROMISE.

\*Hymn 665 As Morning Dawns

WAREHAM

# **Call to Confession and Prayer**

God of Adam and Eve, of Cain and Abel, of Abraham and Sarah, God of all our mothers and fathers, and God of our children and grandchildren: We give thanks that you are a God who acts with hope for this world and yet we confess that we are often too busy with our own lives to perceive you at work in our time, right here and right now. We fall into fear and despair about our troubled world, as if you had no care for us. Forgive our lack of hope and help us to join you as you labor to bring new life on earth. In the name of Christ, 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 we open ourselves 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, Hymn 581 Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

\*Passing of the Peace

# HEARING ...

Sacred Space: Time for Young Disciples Rev. Joel Weible

**Anthem** Sing a Little Song PAUL WHITAKER

**Scripture** John 17:1-11

**Sermon** THE FRUITS OF COMMUNITY #2

Rev. Joel Weible

\*Hymn 847 Our Hope, Our Life

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## 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

**Offertory** Children of the Heavenly Father

arr. D. WOOD

\*Doxology 606 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 15 All Creatures of Our God and King Lasst uns erfreuen

\*Charge and Benediction

The Ringing of the Bell

\*Postlude Trumpet Voluntary

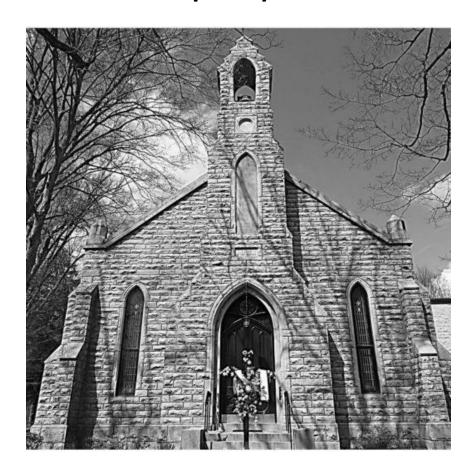
J. CLARKE

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Reverend Joel Weible's sermons are posted on our website under the "Media" tab.

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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**

August 13, 2023 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost

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