

PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ...”

GATHERING ...

Gathering Music
The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Prelude Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

arr. F. ASHDOWN

***Call to Worship**

Len Jagers

Leader: We bless the Lord at all times, seeking peace in our lives.

People: God’s praise is continually in our mouths.

Leader: Our souls make their boast in the peace of Christ;

People: Let us magnify the Lord’s Peace together.

ALL: LET US EXALT GOD’S LOVE!

***Hymn 340** This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

Call to Confession and Prayer

Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have been angry with the world and nursed grudges against our adversaries. That is not the peace of Christ. We have hoarded the fruits of our labors rather than share our bounty with the needy. That is not the peace of Christ. We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness but have indulged in hurtful gossip. That is not the peace of Christ. We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done, even though we desire our own forgiveness. Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loves. In His name, 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 Hear My Words

STEPHEN PAULUS

Scripture John 14:27

Sermon THE FRUITS OF COMMUNITY #3

Rev. Joel Weible

***Hymn 840** When Peace like a River

VILLE DU HAVRE

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 Hymn of Promise

arr. J. FERGUSON

***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 378** We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom

MERLE'S TUNE

***Charge and Benediction**

The Ringing of the Bell

***Postlude** Erhalt uns, Herr

D.BUXTEHUDE

** Please stand in body or spirit*

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

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***"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 20, 2023 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost