

PEWEE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

GATHERING ...

Gathering Music
The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Prelude Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. J. LONGHURST

***Call to Worship** Toby Fletcher

Leader: From the ends of the earth, we are gathered together ...

People: The poor, and the rich, the joyful, the sorrowful, the honored, and the despised.

Leader: We are gathered in one community,

People: Reflecting the love and life of God.

ALL: WE HAVE COME FROM MANY WORLDS BUT WE
WORSHIP GOD AS ONE!

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

Call to Confession and Prayer

O God, you search after us when we have gone far from you, yet we confess that we have become consumed with our own affairs. We seldom pause to listen for the wind in the trees or hear the happy voices of children. Sometimes we feel that the burdens of the world fall entirely on our shoulders, and we have been slow to put our trust in you or to cooperate with others. When we take ourselves seriously, make us patient with our mistakes. Remind us that we are precious because you have accepted us and called us to be your very own. In Christ’s 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: God loves us and frees us from all that we do to turn away from the transformative power of belief.

People: God hears our cries and questions, and promises to remain in covenant with us.

Leader: In the name of the Risen One, who came, who comes, and who is to come again, the heavy weight of our doubt is lifted.

People: We are forgiven and may begin again to love as Christ loves.

ALL: ALLELUIA! AMEN.

***Response 435** There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy IN BABILONE
(stanza 1 only)

***Passing of the Peace**

HEARING ...

Sacred Space for Young Disciples Rev. Joel Weible

Anthem We Walk by Faith K. KOSCHE

Scripture Matthew 2:19-23

Sermon SO IT MAY BE FULFILLED Rev. Joel Weible

RESPONDING ...

***Sung Affirmation, 481** I Believe in God the Father GENEVAN 42
(The Apostle’s Creed)

Time of Giving Thanks

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offertory Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown arr. D. WOOD

***Doxology 606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

One and Eternal God of time and space, we respond to you with joy as we lift up our tithes and offerings. The opportunity to share is a blessing for which we are *very* thankful. Your generous provision for our needs prompts us to be generous in return. Accomplish your purposes, we pray, through these gifts and in our lives. Amen.

SENDING ...

***Hymn 67** My Song Forever Shall Record PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

***Charge and Benediction**

The Ringing of the Bell

***Postlude** Holy God, We Praise Your Name arr. R. POWELL

** 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

September 24, 2023 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost