

Community Presbyterian Church

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July 11, 2021

*Welcome to worship
this morning!*

Bulletin Cues:

Bold indicates
congregational response.

* indicates please stand,
if able



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Pavane

by Gabriel Faure

Mary Ellen Malkasian and Judy Kereakos, pianists

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We worship God with song and dance,
singing God's praise and shouting for joy.

We worship God with silence and sighs,
grieving for loss and longing for comfort.

We worship God with prayers and hands,
praying for healing and working for peace.

**Let us create a sabbath space
and worship the God who gives us life.**

*OPENING HYMN GTG 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

vs. 1 and 2

**Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!**

**Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Holy God, our Maker; Jesus Christ, our teacher;
Holy Spirit, breath of life, have mercy on us.
Let us in silence remember our faults and failings.

Silence before the prayer of confession.

We know that you call your people
to lives of service and works of justice.

**Forgive us, O Lord, when we keep our lives
just loud enough to drown out your call.**

**Forgive us, O Lord, when we keep our days
just busy enough to convince ourselves
that we have a righteous excuse.**

Heal us of our blindness by your grace.

Forgive us and free us to try again

Forgive us, Holy One, and offer us a chance to try again.

May God forgive you, Christ befriend you,
and the Spirit renew and change your life.

**We believe that God forgives and sets us free,
and we commit ourselves to following where Christ calls
and to loving one another.**

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Faithful God, we are blessed when we seek your righteousness. Make us whole and holy

people by your Spirit alive in us. May we receive your word and your world as blessing, in your name, most Beloved. **Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

It was told King David, “The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.” So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 24

Adapted from Nan Merrill, *Psalms for Praying*

The earth is yours, Giver of Life, in all its fullness;
the world, and those who dwell it it;

**for you have founded it on the seas,
and established it on the rivers.**

Who shall ascend your hill, Gracious One?
And who shall stand in your holy place?

**All who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not honor what is false,
and do not make vows deceitfully.**

All these will be blessed by God, and renewed through forgiveness.

Such is the promise to all those who seek Love's face.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the Compassionate One may come in.
Who is this Compassionate One?

The Beloved, strong and steadfast, firm and sure.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the Compassionate One may come in.
Who is this Compassionate One?

**The Beloved: Heart of your heart, Life of your life,
This is the Compassionate One.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Joshua Fit de Battle of Jericho

African-American Spiritual, arr. by Lloyd Larson
Mary Ellen Malkasian and Judy Kereakos, pianists

GOSPEL READING

Mark 6:14–29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went

and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

With All Your Might

Pastor Jan

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 833

O Love, that Will Not Let Me Go

vs. 1-3

1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not

wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
flick - ering torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and

in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.

JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, our Savior,

hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;


and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.


SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 370

This Is My Father's World



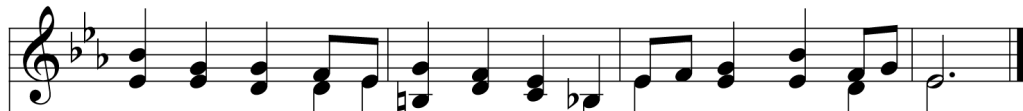
1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis - tening ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world. O, let me ne'er for - get that



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world. The bat - tle is not done: Je -



rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the won - ders wrought.
sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heaven be one.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Look at your hands, see the touch and the tenderness;

Look at your feet, see the path and the direction;

Look at your heart, see the fire and the love;

Look at the cross; see God's Son and our Savior.

This is God's world,

And we will serve God in it.

Jesus said, "I am with you always."

May God the Creator bless you,

May God the Son walk with you,

May God the Spirit lead your lives with love.

Amen

*POSTLUDE



Pastor Jan will be on vacation July 15-22. If an emergency arises, please call the church. Stephanie will forward the message to Rev. Ann Siverling who has offered to do pastoral care as needed. Stephanie will be in the church office on Wednesday, July 21.



Thursday, July 22 - Gage East Summer Party, indoors, watch for further info!

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TODAY AT CPC

Sunday, July 11

9:30 am Worship (Online and Onsite)

THIS WEEK AT CPC

Stephanie is out of the office this week.

Monday-Friday: Med City Driving 8 am-4 pm

Tuesday, July 13

12:00 pm Bulletin Announcements Due

12:00 pm Conference Call *

6:30 pm Building & Grounds Committee

Wednesday, July 14

6:30 am Prayer Group

Saturday, July 17

Building/Garden Rental: Wedding

Sunday, July 18

9:30 am Worship (Online and Outdoor - bring your lawn chair!)



Judy Leal
Jane and Ed Burgstaler family,
especially daughter Jenny
Connie Holst
MariLynn Johnson
Audrey Crawshaw
Stephanie Pasch

*To be added to the prayer list,
please contact the church office at
507-280-9291 or
email office@cpcrochester.org.
For emergency pastoral care,
call Pastor Jan at 763-219-2927.*

Online Worship

Sundays 9:30 – 10:30am

<https://meet.google.com/vao-wjef-cbe>

+1 575-305-4527 PIN: 652 821 468 #

* **Tuesday's Conference Call**

<https://meet.google.com/kee-rcys-sdh>

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Handbell Director	Judy Kereakos
Pianist	Glenna Muir
Custodian	Nancy Sanford
Office Manager	Stephanie Pasch

Serving in Worship Today

Liturgist	Mary Meyer
Special Music	Mary Ellen Malkasian and Judy Kereakos
IT Support	Louis Bouchard