

Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded



June 26, 2022

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Spirit of Creation, you make us in your image.

Spirit, bear your fruit in us.

Christ, you call us to be your messengers.

Spirit, bear your fruit in us.

Holy Spirit, breathe your grace in us, that we may shine with your light,
live with your love, and give of your gifts in us.

Spirit, bear your fruit in us.

Fill us, Holy Spirit, as we worship you. Amen.

OPENING HYMN GTG 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing *verses 1 and 2*



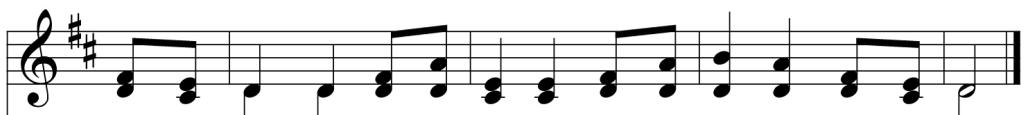
1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Silence before the prayer of confession

**God, we know you are the good we seek;
Yet we persist in following other paths and other goals.
We are so easily distracted; we lose ourselves and you.
Forgive us when we fail to keep you in our sights;
Forgive us when we wander from the path of right;
Walk with us and give us joy in the journey.**

Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God
and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal One, Holy Oneness, we belong to you. Loving Christ, Divine Companion, we listen for you. Holy Spirit, Breath of God in us, we open ourselves to your flow into us and through us to the world. Holy Three, Holy One, you live in us, and we in you. We offer ourselves in love. **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for in you I am safe.

**I say to you, You are my God;
Only from you comes the good I enjoy.**

How excellent are your faithful people!

It is my greatest pleasure to be with them.

Those who idolize lesser things bring trouble on themselves.

I will not take part in their practices, or worship their gods.

You are all I have, and you give me all I need;

My future is in your hands.

The lines of my life have fallen in pleasant places;

All that I inherit from you is good.

You are my guide; you speak to me by night.

Your presence is always near; nothing can shake me.

My heart is glad, my soul rejoices; my body rests secure.

You will not banish me to the world of the dead

You show me the path of life.

Your presence is my joy and delight forevermore.

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-17, 22-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh.... By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Oceans

Meg Cain

by Hillsong

GOSPEL READING

Luke 9:51-62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Your Word, our light; your grace, our hope; your love, our life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

God's Walking Song

Pastor Jan

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 488

I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry



1 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when
2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word, I was there to
3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no



you are old. I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to
cheer you on. You were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord to
lon - ger young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, com -



see your life un - fold. I was there when you were but a
whom you now be - long. If you find some - one to share your
plete what I've be - gun. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es



child with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of
time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to
in and you shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as



light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I have al - ways been with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, our Savior,
hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your 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 let us not be led into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 742

We Will Walk with God

Baptism outdoors after final hymn, weather permitting: Freya Evelyn Cain



We will walk with God, my brothers; we will walk with God.



We will walk with God, my sisters; we will walk with God.



We will go re-joic-ing till the king-dom has come.



We will go re-joic-ing till the king-dom has come.

BAPTISM OF FREYA EVELYN CAIN

PRESENTATION

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Matt. 28:18–20

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Hear also these words from holy scripture:

Eph. 4:4–6

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Obeying the word of our Lord Jesus, and confident of his promises, we baptize those whom God has called. In baptism God claims us, and seals us to show that we belong to God. God frees us from sin and death, uniting us with Jesus Christ in his death and resurrection. By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the church, the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice.

Let us remember with joy our own baptism, as we celebrate this sacrament.

On behalf of the session, I present Freya Evelyn Cain, child of Meg and Brad Cain, to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

To the Parents: Do you desire that Freya Evelyn be baptized? I do.

Relying on God's grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith, and to teach that faith to your child? I do.

To the Sponsors: Will you, by your prayers and witness, help Freya to grow into the full stature of Christ? I will.

To the Congregation: Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Freya by word and deed, with love and prayer? **We do.**

Will you encourage her to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his church? **We will.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we enter the covenant God established in Jesus Christ.

Within this covenant God gives us new life, strengthens us to resist evil, and nurtures us in love.

Through this covenant, we choose whom we will serve, by turning from evil and turning to Jesus Christ.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Who is your Lord and Savior? **Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love? I will, with God's help.

Please stand, if you are able.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the watery chaos, calling forth order and life.

In the time of Noah, you destroyed evil by the waters of the flood, giving righteousness a new beginning.

You led Israel out of slavery, through the waters of the sea, into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with your Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death, and opened the way to eternal life.

We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. From it we are raised to share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Send your Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of deliverance and rebirth. Wash away the sin of all who are cleansed by it. Raise them to new life, and graft them to the body of Christ. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Freya that she may have power to do your will, and continue forever in the risen life of Christ.

To you be all praise, honor, and glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Freya Evelyn, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

Col. 3:12

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

O Lord, uphold Freya Evelyn by your Holy Spirit. Give her the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.** *Isa. 11:2*

Freya Evelyn, child of the covenant, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism, and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

God who began a good work in you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. **Amen.** *Phil. 1:6*

WELCOME

Freya, you have been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through Baptism. By the power of the Holy Spirit, you have become a member of the household of God, to share with us in the ministry of Christ and the priesthood of all believers.

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into the body of Christ. **Alleluia! Amen!**
Live as a child of the light and let your light shine before others. **Amen.**
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

The blessing of God, all-giving and all-holy,
who was and is and is to come—
be with you now and always.

Go in peace to love your God
with heart and soul and mind and strength,
and to love your neighbor as yourself. **Amen**

Night out at Berne Wood-Fired Pizza Wednesday, July 6

Join other members and friends of CPC for a fun outdoor evening of music and wood-fired pizza. The groups performing that night are Hair of the Dog and Nite Shift. Both are local and perform a variety of oldies (and some newer numbers as well). Check out the details here: <https://www.bernepizza.org/concerts>



If you are interested in attending, contact Amanda Ross or Sue Chipman or sign up in the narthex. We will arrange to carpool and can even do advance pizza orders, if we wish. There is no cost for the concert.

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TODAY AT CPC

Sunday, June 26

9:30 am Worship (Onsite and Online)

THIS WEEK AT CPC

Tuesday, June 28

12:00 pm Conference Call *

6:30 pm Session Meeting (V)

Wednesday, June 29

6:30 am Prayer Group

6:30 pm Mission Committee Meeting (V)

Sunday, July 3

**9:30 am Worship with Communion
(Onsite and Online)**



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler family,
especially daughter Jenny

Connie Holst

MariLynn Johnson

Vera Atkinson's daughter, Teresa

Shannon Cisewski

Jennifer Hall

Susie Olson

Michael Parsons

Sue Chipman

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>

+1 413-889-2244 PIN: 433 818 991#

*To be added to the prayer list, please
contact the church office at
507-280-9291 or via email
office@cpcrochester.org.*

*For emergency pastoral care,
call Pastor Jan at 763-219-2927.*

Pastor

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Handbell Director

Pianist

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Rev. Jan Wiersma

Meg Cain

Judy Kereakos

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Nancy Sanford

Stephanie Pasch

Serving in Worship Today

Liturgist

Special Music

IT Support

Dave Copeland

Meg Cain

Louis Bouchard

The image is a promotional poster for an ice cream social. At the top, there is a photograph of two ice cream cups: one pink with white polka dots and one green with white polka dots, both filled with ice cream and topped with colorful sprinkles and chocolate shavings. Several waffle cones are scattered around the cups, some empty and some with ice cream. The background of the photo is a light, neutral color. In the top right corner, there is a red circular graphic containing white text. The bottom half of the poster features a background of overlapping, semi-transparent circles in various colors: yellow, orange, green, cyan, and pink. The main title and date are centered in large, white, bold font. Below that, the location and website are listed in a smaller, italicized font. At the bottom, there are two lines of text in white font, one in a bold sans-serif font and one in an italicized sans-serif font.

Get to
know local
community
builders.

Ice Cream Social

July 16, 2-4 pm

*Community Presbyterian Church
3705 Fairway Place NW, Rochester
www.cpcrochester.org*

**An exciting event with CPC and their
Ministry Partners: Gage East Apartments,
The Village Ag Coop, and Lifegate Services**

Public welcome and invited!