

Community Presbyterian Church
open hearted, open minded



July 24, 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

Romance, Op.63
by Edward Elgar

Bailey Holman, Bassoon

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of love, we ask you to teach us to pray.

You show us your grace, and our wonder is our prayer to you.

Christ, your love gives us joy.

Let our gratitude be prayer to you.

Holy Spirit, you fill us with your power.

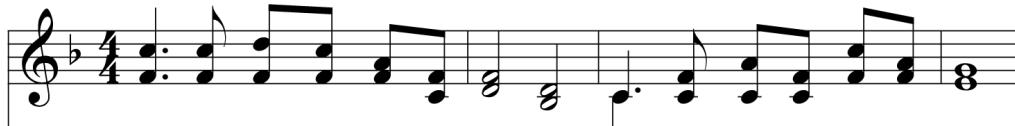
Let our lives be our prayer to you.

And let this, our worship, bring you praise.

OPENING HYMN 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

all verses



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bere'd with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be-cause we do not car-ry ev-ery-thing to God in prayer!
Je-sus knows our ev-ery weak-ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so-lace there.

CALL TO CONFESSION

God's salvation is at hand, that God's glory may dwell in us.
Turning towards God, let us confess the ways we have sinned.
(Silence)

**Gracious God,
We humbly confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be.
We seek peace and comfort in our lives, ignoring the needs of those around us.
We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors.
Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love,
so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace for all of creation.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved, God has forgiven all of your trespasses.
You are alive together with God.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of love, Jesus has promised that you will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask. We are asking you. In your Word, proclaimed here and pondered together and lived out in our lives, give us your Spirit. **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 85

God, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin.
**You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.
Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and set aside indignation.**

Show us your steadfast love and grant us your salvation.
Let me hear what God will say:

**God speaks peace to the people, peace to the faithful,
peace to those who turn to the Beloved in their hearts.**

Surely salvation is at hand for those who trust in God,
that glory may dwell in our land.

**Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.**

Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.

**The Merciful One will give what is good, and our land will prosper..
Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.**

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 2.6-19

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sonata for Bassoon, Op.168
II. Allegro scherzando
by Camille Saint-Saëns

Bailey Homan, bassoon

GOSPEL READING

Luke 11.1-13

After visiting the home of Martha and Mary, Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John

taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.” And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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

SERMON

The Inner Door

Pastor Jan

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG GTG 468

In My Life

all verses



1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo-ri - fied.
 2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo-ri - fied.
 3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo-ri - fied.
 4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo-ri - fied.



In my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.
 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.
 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.
 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.

JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, our Savior,
hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER/PRAYER OF JESUS

paraphrased by Steve Garnaas-Holmes

**Beloved, Center and Source of our living, whose presence is heaven,
your holy love fills Creation.**

**May your delight be fulfilled and your Realm unfold among us,
the visible world blossoming out of the unseen.**

We turn to you alone for our sustenance, the bread of life each day.

Set us free from our failings, as we set free all who have failed us.

Lead us beyond our desires and save us from the grip of evil.

**For the world is within you; all power is from you,
and all glory is about you in eternity, which is the present moment. Amen.**

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 765

May the God of Hope Go with Us

sing twice



May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our



lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us



on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.



Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;



work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.

*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**

POSTLUDE

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web resource, *Unfolding Light*.



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TODAY AT CPC

Sunday, July 24

9:30 am Worship (Onsite and Online)

THIS WEEK AT CPC

Tuesday, July 26

12:00 pm Conference Call *

12:00 pm Bulletin Information Due

6:30 pm Session Meeting (Virtual)

Wednesday, July 27

6:30 am Prayer Group

7:00 pm CPC Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, July 31

9:30 am Worship (Onsite and Online)



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler family,
especially daughter Jenny

Connie Holst

MariLynn Johnson

Vera Atkinson's daughter, Teresa
and son-in-law, Dave

Shannon Cisewski

Jennifer Hall

Michael Parsons

Sue Chipman's friend, Tom Weary

*To be added to the prayer list, please
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Serving in Worship Today

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