

# Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded

**June 1, 2025**

Welcome to worship  
this morning!

Bulletin Cues:

**Bold** indicates  
congregational  
response,

\* indicates please  
stand, if able



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice!

**We tremble at God's awesome works!**

The heavens proclaim God's righteousness!

**The Lord is our guard and protector!**

Light dawns and joy fills our hearts!

**Rejoice in the Lord and give thanks!**

*(based on Psalm 97)*



1 Re - joice! Re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;  
 2 See that your lamps are burn - ing; re - plen-ish them with oil;  
 3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing and dark - er night is near.  
 look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.  
 a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this shad - owed sphere!



The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing and soon he will draw nigh.  
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand;  
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, watch with ex - pec - ta - tion; at mid - night comes the cry.  
 a - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the Bride - groom is at hand!  
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!



## CONFESSION AND PARDON

We worry if we confess what rests heavily on our hearts, we will be judged and condemned.

Yet God desires we come close and open ourselves to the possibility of transformation and grace. When we confess our sin, we acknowledge God's love for us and Christ's prayer for us, opening ourselves to forgiveness and new life. Trusting in this love, let us confess our sins.

**Merciful God, you desire that the world might see your light shine through us.  
Yet we confess we are often too blinded by the glittering temptations of this world.  
We turn from your way, hurting the very ones we were called to serve,  
in our action and our inaction.  
We grow frustrated with each other,  
seeking to silence anything besides our own desires.  
We fail to see your righteousness  
and champion greed and discord in the name of power and popularity.  
Forgive us.  
Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples,  
seeking your light,  
reflecting your mercy,  
and sharing your grace. Amen.**

Friends, who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ alone, prays for us. Christ reaches out with endless love and mercy. Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made ready to love and serve.

**Alleluia. Amen.**

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, we are thirsty for your good Word. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed, open our hearts to hear what you have to say to us. Fill us with the light of your love that, having heard, we will be ready to go live more faithfully and love more deeply. **Amen.**

### RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 97

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;  
let the many coastlands be glad!

**Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;  
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

Fire goes before him  
and consumes his adversaries on every side.

**His lightnings light up the world;  
the earth sees and trembles.**

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,  
before the Lord of all the earth.

**The heavens proclaim his righteousness,  
and all the peoples behold his glory.**

All servants of images are put to shame,  
those who make their boast in worthless idols;  
all gods bow down before him.

**Zion hears and is glad,  
and the towns of Judah rejoice  
because of your judgments, O God.**

For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;  
you are exalted far above all gods.

**You who love the Lord, hate evil;  
he guards the lives of his faithful;  
he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**

Light dawns for the righteous  
and joy for the upright in heart.

**Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,  
and give thanks to his holy name!**

SCRIPTURE READING                      Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”  
And let everyone who is thirsty come.  
Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."  
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

## SPECIAL MUSIC

### GOSPEL READING

John 17:20-26

"I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them."

These words are trustworthy and true.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Christopher Miller

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

### INVITATION TO OFFERING

We are called to be light to the world. Let us share our talents and treasures  
in grateful praise.

*An offering plate is placed near the back of the room to receive your offerings and is available before, during the hymn of the day and shortly following the service.*

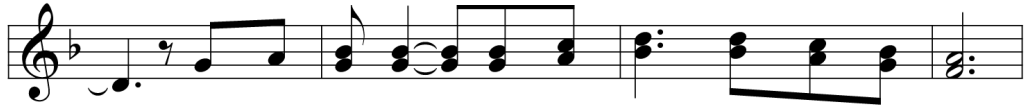
\*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 762

When the Poor Ones

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- 1 When the poor ones who have noth - ing share with strang - ers,
- 2 When at last all those who suf - fer find their com - fort,
- 3 When our joy fills up our cup to o - ver - flow - ing,
- 4 When our homes are filled with good - ness in a - bun - dance,



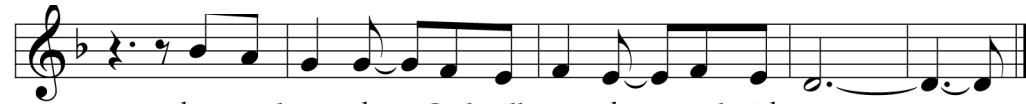
when the thirst-y wa - ter give un - to us all,  
when they hope though e - ven hope seems hope - less - ness,  
when our lips can speak no words oth - er than true,  
when we learn how to make peace in - stead of war,



when the crip - pled in their weak-ness strength-en oth - ers,  
when we love though hate at times seems all a-round us,  
when we know that love for sim - ple things is bet - ter,  
when each strang-er that we meet is called a neigh-bor,



then we know that God still goes that road with us,



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## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, all that we are and all that we have comes from you. Take these gifts and these people and make them blessings for your people in this community and beyond. **Amen.**

## JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rejoicing in God's promise of new creation,  
let us pray to the Maker of heaven and earth,  
saying: God of new life, **hear our prayer...**

Gracious God, keep us working and praying  
for the coming of your holy realm of peace,  
when we will share abundant life with you;  
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God... Therefore we praise you, joining the song  
of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

SANCTUS GTG 595

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. My heart, my heart a - dores you!

My heart knows how to say to you: you are ho - ly, Lord!

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Blessed is Jesus Christ, our Savior...

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father and Mother 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**

THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

*For communion, gluten free bread and grape juice are served for all who partake.  
Please take and eat the bread as it is served, and then as a sign of unity, hold the cup  
until all are served so that we might partake together.*

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION GTG 525

Let Us Break Bread Together



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees)



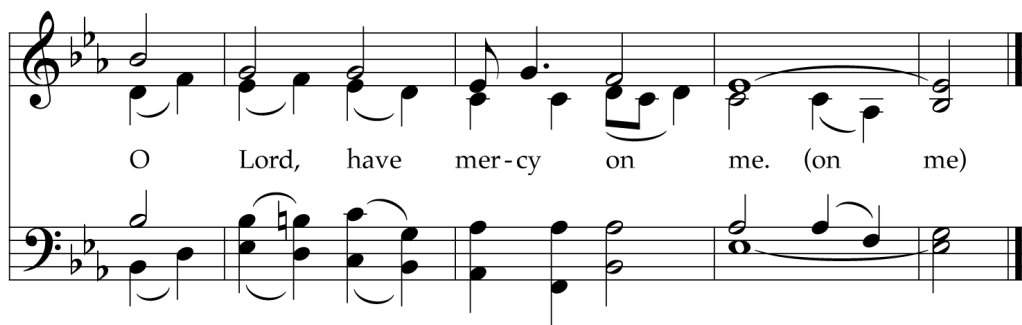
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Refrain



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,





### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

At your table, Giving God, we have been fed; our thirsty spirits have been quenched.  
We give you thanks for this taste of your kingdom meal when wolf and lamb will feed  
together and peace will reign on your holy mountain; in Jesus' name. Amen.

### SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

\*CLOSING HYMN GTG 321

The Church's One Foundation

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\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

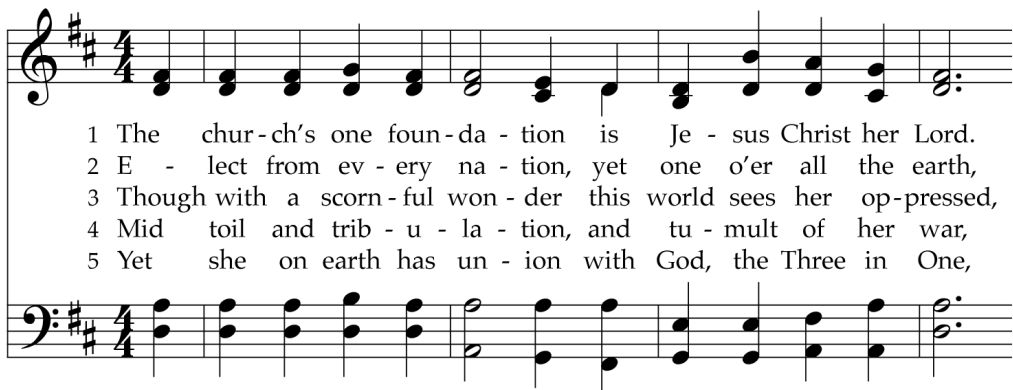
Go, walk bravely, and live into your calling.

Go, sing loudly, and tell the world of God's love.

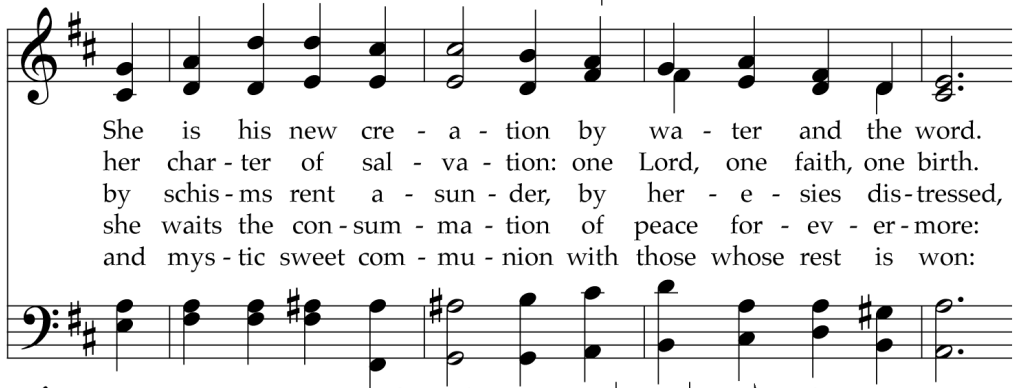
Go, shine brightly, and make visible the kingdom of God here and now.

May God's grace rain upon you, may Jesus's love enfold you, may the  
Spirit's peace renew you for kingdom living, now and forever. **Amen.**

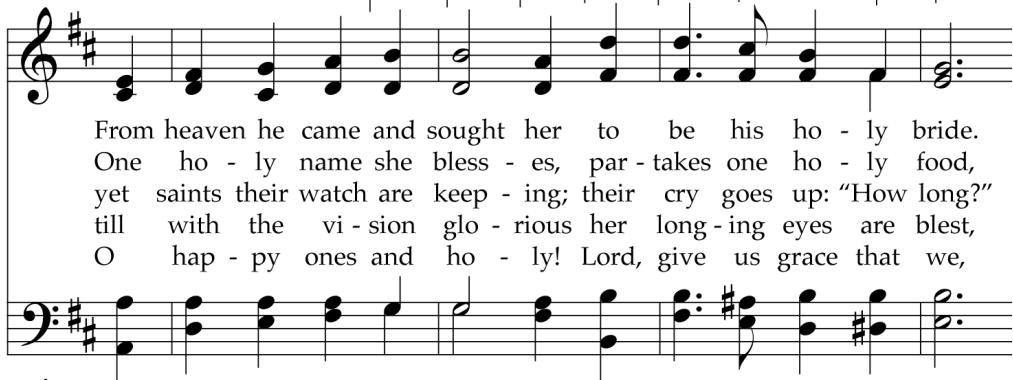
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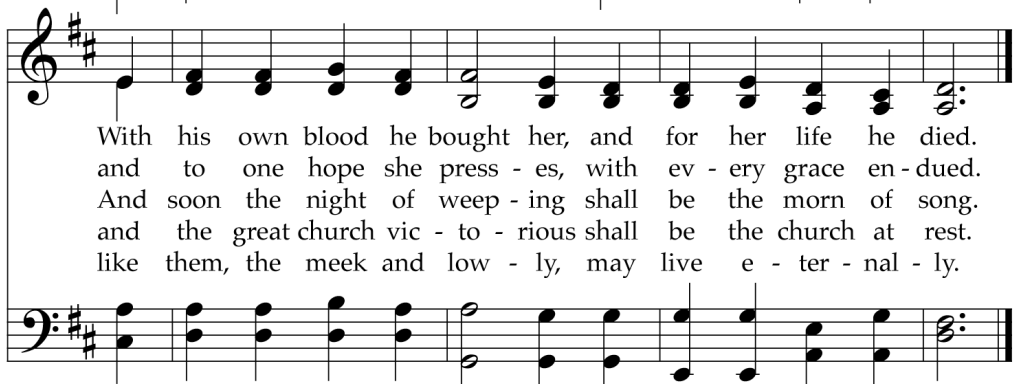
1 The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord.  
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
 4 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,  
 5 Yet she on earth has un - ion with God, the Three in One,



She is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more:  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won:



From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride.  
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,



With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.



Pick up your copy of the directory today!  
If you find typos, wrong addresses,  
wrong birthdates, etc... please let the  
office know so we can make the updates!

**PENTECOST**  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

**“I WILL  
POUR OUT  
MY SPIRIT  
ON EVERY  
KIND OF  
PEOPLE.”**

— ACTS 2:17, THE MESSAGE

Uniting Presbyterians in support of young people sharing  
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
OF THE U.S.A.

Sunday, June 8 is  
Pentecost Sunday.  
**Wear red!** CPC  
will collect the  
PC-USA Pentecost  
offering.

“Through our gifts  
to the Pentecost  
Offering, we join  
together to support  
the faith of young  
people all around  
the world who  
enrich the Church  
with their creativ-  
ity and vibrancy.  
We are there to  
work to correct  
the lack of access  
to education for  
children-at-risk,  
nurture the faith  
and vocation of  
youth and create  
space for young  
adults to explore  
and grow as leaders  
in Christ’s church.”

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**Sunday, June 1**

**9:30 am    Worship with Communion  
- Onsite and Online**

2:30 pm    Great Room Use: Labranza de Dios

**Tuesday, June 3**

12:00 pm    Items for the Bulletin are due

7:00 pm    Great Room Use: Mission Aid Net.

**Wednesday, June 4**

9:00 am    NO Prayer Group

**Thursday, June 5**

5:30 pm    Great Room Use: Labranza de Dios

**Saturday, June 7**

11:00 am    Memorial Service for Connie Holst

**Sunday, June 8**

**Pentecost - Wear Red!**

**9:30 am    Worship - Onsite and Online**

2:30 pm    Great Room Use: Labranza de Dios



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler family,  
especially daughters Jenny & Elissa  
Nellie Brovold's mother, Jacqueline  
Jennifer Hall and Sage Hall

Shannon Cisewski

Amy Ward and family

Sherrie Wilson

Brandl family (Jane B.'s niece & family)

*To be added to the prayer list, please con-  
tact the office: 507-280-9291 or via email:  
office@cpcrochester.org.*

## **Serving in Worship Today**

Guest Preacher    Rev. Christopher Miller

Guest Pianist                    Judy Kereakos

Liturgist                         Margaret Petersen

IT Support                        Louis Bouchard

& Bruce Felger

## **Church Staff**

Music Director                    Jennifer Taylor

Custodian                         Nancy Sanford

Office Manager                    Stephanie Pasch