



A joyful church, guided by God, loving our neighbors.

24th Sunday after Pentecost/10:30 AM & Virtual Service
Sunday, 20 November 2022

THE GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

Jesus Remember Me - Taize

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda

PRELUDE

Jesus Shall Reign - DUKE STREET, arr. Hal Hopson

Theresa Merrill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sharon Clegern

One: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for you have looked favorably upon your people.

All: You have raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of your servant David.

One: By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us.

All: To give light to those who sit in darkness and guide our feet into the way of peace.

One: Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER: We come into your courts with praise, O God, and sing in glad adoration. You fill the temple with your majestic presence. We bow in awe at the sight of your holiness. Your goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our life, as in Christ we shall dwell in your house forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #275

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

EIN FESTE BURG

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing.

Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe.

His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask who that may be?

Christ Jesus, it is he.

Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.

The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him.

His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure.

One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth.

The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.

The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still.

His kingdom is forever.

***CALL TO CONFESSION:** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not within us. In confession we acknowledge our brokenness and our need for God who is faithful, just, loving and forgiving. In humility and in faith let us confess our condition to God by praying together...

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** God of consuming fire, treat us not as stubble through the folly of our misdeeds. We are misled by arrogance as we boast of our goodness. We look with disdain on those less fortunate, and ignore the poverty of our own souls. Claiming to be among the mighty, we favor those gifted with similar strengths. As individuals and as a nation, we test your patience. Yet in Christ you love us still. Forgive our pride and restore our sanity, so that we may yet serve you.

***THE KYRIE:** Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** Brothers and sisters, it is God who gives justice to the weak and maintains the right of the afflicted and destitute. God rescues the needy and delivers them from the hand of the wicked. As you confess your sins, God is faithful and just and will through Christ deliver you blameless in the day of God's judgment. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI #581:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Sharon Clegern

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

GIFT OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT TEXT:

Psalms 116:12-19

¹² What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me? ¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD; ¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. ¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones. ¹⁶ O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds. ¹⁷ I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD. ¹⁸ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people, ¹⁹ in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Canticle of Zechariah

Tom Merrill

Blessed be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free;
He visits and redeems us, He grants us liberty.
The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release;
God shall fulfill His promise and bring His people peace.
He from the house of David a child of grace has given;
A Savior comes among us to raise us up to heaven.
Before Him goes his herald, forerunner in the way,
The prophet of salvation, the harbinger of Day.

SERMON

A Toast of Salvation

Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

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 power of 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, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again 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.

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd.

You, Lord, are both prince and slave.

You, peace-maker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave.

You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss, You, the

everlasting instant; you who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side.

You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide.

You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus!

Worthy is our cosmic Christ!

Worthy your defeat and victory; worthy still your peace and strife.

You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life.

*BENEDICTION

Dr. K. Nicholas Yoda

POSTLUDE

Chaconne - Louis Couperin

Theresa Merrill

The flowers are given by Elizabeth and Steve Hammelrath in loving memory of Elizabeth's parents, Martha Jane and Tebbs Moore.

THIS WEEK AT PRPC

Sun, Nov 20

8:30 am Service (Chapel)

10:30 am Service (Sanctuary)

Turkey Box Assembly! (HH)

Mon, Nov 21

6:00 pm Boy Scouts (Boy Scout Room)

Wed, Nov 23

7:00 pm Scottish Dancers (Heritage Hall)

Thurs, Nov 24

Happy Thanksgiving!

Fri, Nov 25

Building CLOSED

LOCAL MISSION NEWS

We are participating in the PR Montessori Coat Drive which will take place during the month of November.

Those who can may donate new or gently used coats, hats, scarves, or gloves/mittens for children age 5-12.

The drive will end Nov. 27th and coats will be given to the school for children and their parents to pick out during the first week of December.

The City Gospel Mission will have its annual Christmas store on Dec. 5th.

Starting Nov. 13th, the Christmas tree with new gift ideas for that opportunity to donate will be in Heritage Hall.

Gifts should not be wrapped but put in a bag or box with the gift tag attached.

The deadline for giving gifts will be Dec. 4th.

The annual toy drive for The Caring Place and PRM will start Nov. 27th and toys will be given to grateful families on Dec. 15th, 16th and 17th.

We are accepting new toys, books, and puzzles for children age newborn to 10.

Toys (unwrapped) should be brought in by Dec. 14th and placed around the Christmas tree.

HYBRID NEW LECTIONARY BIBLE CONVERSATIONS:

We have weekly conversations looking specifically at the Biblical Text that will be preached the following Sunday. **These will be weekly at Noon in the Library. Just bring your own Bible and lunch.** Everyone is encouraged to read the text prior to coming in order to join in the discussion. Each week, we will walk through three questions in concern for the text:

-What is going on in the text? What is this text saying to me? What does this text need to say to us as a congregation?

We look forward to seeing you there and to get you started, here are the texts that we will be looking at in the weeks to come:

- 22 November: Matthew 1:1-17
- 29 November: Matthew 1:18-25
- 6 December: No Bible Conversations
- 13 December: No Bible Conversations due to Holidays
- 20 December: No Bible Conversations due to Holidays
- 27 December: No Bible Conversations due to Holidays
- 3 January: No Bible Conversations due to Holidays

Last, for those that cannot make it to PRPC at that time but want to join in too, please know that this is going to be a hybrid Bible Study. You can join in on ZOOM. Please email Jennifer for the necessary link at SULLIVANJRPC@gmail.com or see the links available in our Constant Contact email announcement.

REMEMBER THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

New Prayer Concerns:

- **Marvez and his friends**
- **All Families who have suffered a loss**

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

- **Vera Lambert**, Health concerns
- **Lorna McCafferty**, Recovering from surgery

- **Pam West**, friend of Jeanette Marshall, Health concerns
Serving in the Armed Forces

- **Zachary Huffman**, Friend of Barb Imm

Mission Coworkers:

- **Jim McGill**, in Africa

****Please notify the church office of any prayer requests you may have including those of you who have loved ones in the Armed Forces or in Mission.**

BLESSED BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Month of November: 1 Otto Budig, 2 Zach Steele, 3 John Coffey, 5 Joyce Thoma, 9 Jayden McNeill, 11 Hans Hammelrath, 20 Don McLennan, 28 Judy Kapfer.