

Pultneyville Reformed Church

Worship Service

September 26, 2021 ❖ Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Preparing Our Hearts For Worship

Life Of The Congregation/Joys And Concerns

Our Approach to God

Prelude

Votum

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord our God Creator of heaven and earth.

P: Amen.

Sentences -- *from Psalm 78*

L: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

P: I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old.

L: Things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

P: We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD.

L: In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.

P: He divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap.

L: In the daytime he led them with a cloud, and all night long with a fiery light.

P: He split rocks open in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

Salutation -- *Romans 1:7b*

* Opening Hymn: “All Creatures of Our God and King” *Verses 1-3, 5, 6*

Prayer of Confession -- *PCUSA Book of Common Worship*

Holy God, You are the anchor amidst our fears. You know the sins we can’t even admit to ourselves. You show your faithfulness even when we reject You. You offer grace even when we offer judgment. Forgive us, God. Help us overcome our fears. Help us face all of our sins. Help us to be faithful. Help us to be full of grace. Remind us that we are a people of redemption, not a people imprisoned by our sins. And help us to live as people of hope, shaped by Your forgiving love. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison -- *spoken*

**Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon -- *Isaiah 54:8, 43:25, 44:22*

L: Believe this Gospel and go forth to live in peace.

P: Amen.

Summary of the Law -- *Matthew 22:37-40*

* Gloria Patri -- *sung*

**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.**

Traditions

Choral Anthem

The Word of God in Proclamation

Prayer of Illumination

Lectionary Lessons

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson: Philippians 2:1-13

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21:23-32

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

* Hymn: “O God Beyond All Praising”

Sermon: “This Is So Not Fair”

Prayer For Blessing

* Confession of Faith: Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there 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 life everlasting. Amen.

* The Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Our Response to God's Grace

Offering

* Doxology -- "Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* Prayer of Dedication -- *PCUSA Book of Common Worship, 1906*

Everlasting Father, thank you that you are the light of the world, guiding our steps on your path. Your word says that the earth is yours, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to you. We recognize everything we have belongs to you. We acknowledge that our very lives belong to you. We now offer back to you a portion of what you have given us. May God the Father prepare our journey, Jesus the Son guide our footsteps and the Holy Spirit watch over us, on every path that we follow. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: "God of Mercy, God of Grace"

* Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to the Pultneyville Reformed Church
“A community of faith seeking to express, in all of life, the mind of Christ”

Everything you need to participate fully in worship is found in the bulletin. Please rise at the places indicated by an (*) if you are able.

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CONSISTORY

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Amy Burdett (2023)
Mark Lagoner (2023)
John Setchell (2022)

Deacons

Chip Bailey (2023)
Craig DeNagel (2023)
Paul Heilman (2022)
Gary Orbaker (2022)

OUR SUNDAY TO SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sunday – September 26th - PRC Reunion Celebration

8:40 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Worship in the Sanctuary
11:15 Lunch in the Pavilion
12:15 Fun and Games
2:30 Prayer Balloon Release

Thursday – September 30th

9:30 “The Walk” Bible Study

Saturday – October 2nd

9:00 Caring Hands

Sunday – October 3rd

8:40 Choir rehearsal
10:00 Worship in the Sanctuary
10:15 Children in Worship
11:15 Pastor Eric’s Bible Study
2-5 Parsonage Open House

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Eric Titus

Organist/Choir Director: Robert Hamilton

Liturgist: Tonja Yost

Elder: Amy Burdett

PRC Reunion Celebration – today!! We will start with worship in our sanctuary followed by lunch in the pavilion. After lunch you will enjoy live music, dancing, fun and games for all ages.

The book, “THE WALK”, 5 essential practices of the Christian life, by Adam Hamilton will be our bible study this fall on Thursday mornings at 9:30 in the Agape Room beginning this Thursday, September 30th. The image of walking with God or God walking with us is found throughout the Bible as a metaphor for the life of faith. God walks in our midst, searches for us and beckons us to walk with him. So put on your walking shoes, grab your bible and join together as we exercise and explore these 5 essential practices. Sign-up sheet is in Trinity Hall to insure we have enough materials.

Next Sunday, October 3rd we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. A communion offering will be taken along with our regular offer for Family Promise of Wayne County.

The Missions Committee reminds you that they will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Come-Unity Center next Sunday, October 3rd. Donations can be left in the baskets located in Trinity Hall and Shalom Lounge.

You are invited to the Come-Unity Center’s Annual Fall Festival this Saturday, October 2nd from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at 4170 E. Main Street in Williamson. See the bulletin board in Trinity Hall for more details.

Pastor Eric’s six week bible study on the origin and nature of the bible will begin next Sunday, October 3rd following worship in the Agape Room. Please sign up on the bulletin board in Trinity Hall if you plan to attend.

Our parsonage Open House will be held next Sunday, October 3rd from 2:00 until 5:00. Come and see how Pastor Eric and Nancy have made the parsonage into a warm and inviting place.

Tea at 2 is an opportunity for Pastor Eric and Nancy to get to know each of you in the intimate setting of their parlor. Beginning on Sunday, October 10th and running through the end of the year they will entertain one couple, or one family, or two singles in their home at 2:00 p.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board in Trinity Hall for a date that suits you best.

On Saturday, October 23rd the Williamson fire hall will be all decked out with gently used clothes to give to the less fortunate in the community. The bible study group is collecting new/and or gently used clothing for all ages, including boots, shoes, coats or anything else you might need or want to contribute. Bedding is also an item we find that people need and are so grateful for. Please place your items in Fellowship Hall. A big thanks in advance for all the ways you show the love of God in this project.

Louise Hermetnet has moved! Her new address is Victor Views, 1440 Route 444, Victor, NY 14564.

PRC Dates to Remember

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	10:00	PRC Reunion Celebration
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	10:00	Worship/Communion – Family Promise
	10:15	Children in Worship
	11:15	Pastor Eric’s Bible Study
	2:00 – 5:00	Parsonage Open House
Tuesday, October 5 th	5:00	Discipleship Committee Meeting

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Unison D Bm Asus A D

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice
 2 O rush-ing wind so wild and strong, white clouds that sail
 3 Cool flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for

Harmony Bm Asus A D G D E A

with us and sing: al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 in heaven a-long, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 your Lord to hear: al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Unison D G Asus A D

O burn-ing sun with gold-en beam, and shin-ing moon
 New ris-ing dawn in praise re-joice; you lights of eve-
 Fierce fire, so mas-ter-ful and bright, pro-vid-ing us

Harmony G A G A D Em A Bm

with sil-ver gleam, O praise him, O praise him,
 ning find a voice: O praise him, O praise him,
 with warmth and light, O praise him, O praise him,

Chord symbols represent a simplified harmony.

For an alternate arrangement see 208, 317, 847

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Unison

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

4 Earth ever fertile, day by day
bring forth your blessings on our way;
alleluia, alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

5 All you who are of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part;
alleluia, alleluia!
All you who pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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O God Beyond All Praising

1 O God be - yond all prais - ing, we wor - ship you to - day
 2 The flower of earth - ly splen - dor in time must sure - ly die,
 3 Then hear, O gra - cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring,

and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay;
 its fra - gile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high;
 that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;

for we can on - ly won - der at ev - ery gift you send,
 but hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown—
 and wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,

at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end.
 though small in mor - tal sta - ture, to hea - ven's gar - den grown:
 we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still:

We lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your Word,
 for Christ, your gift from heav - en, from death has set us free,
 to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,

we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
 and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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God of Mercy, God of Grace

PSALM 67

1 God of mer-cy, God of grace, show the bright-ness of your face.
 2 Let the peo-ple praise you, Lord; be by all that live a-dored.
 3 Let the peo-ple praise you, Lord; earth shall then its fruits af-ford.

Shine up-on us, Sav-ior, shine; fill your world with light di-vine;
 Let the na-tions shout and sing glo-ry to their gra-cious King;
 Un-to us your bless-ing give; we to you de-vot-ed live,

all your sav-ing health ex-tend un-to earth's re-mot-est end.
 at your feet their trib-ute pay, and your ho-ly will o-bey.
 all be-low and all a-bove, one in joy and light and love.

Optional blessing (Num. 6:24-26)

The LORD bless you and keep you;
 the LORD make his face to shine upon you
 and be gracious to you;
 the LORD turn his face toward you
 and give you peace.
 Alleluia! Amen.

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