

Pultneyville Reformed Church

Worship Service

October 2, 2022 ❖ World Communion Sunday

Preparing Our Hearts For Worship

Life Of The Congregation/Joys And Concerns

Our Approach to God

Votum

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

P: Amen.

Sentences -- *Psalm 37:3-9*

L: Trust in the LORD, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

P: Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

L: Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.

P: He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

L: Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

P: Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret--it leads only to evil.

L: For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

Salutation -- *I Timothy 1:2b*

* Opening Hymn No. 348: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Prayer of Confession – *Adapted from Psalm 51*

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercies, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison -- *spoken*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon -- *Psalm 103:8, 10-12*

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

Anthem

The Word of God in Proclamation

Prayer of Illumination

Lectionary Lessons:

Old Testament Lesson:

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson:

II Timothy 1:1-14

This is the Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Lesson:

Luke 17:5-10

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon: "Life on the Rampart"

Prayer For Blessing

* Confession of Faith: Apostles' 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.

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

Holy God, we are grateful for your constant presence in our lives. Every perfect gift in our lives is a gift from you. We have listened to your guidance, directing us to offer you our first fruits. So, we now join in this generous act of giving. We pray that these resources may care for your children everywhere who are experiencing distress. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Meaning of the Sacrament

Invitation

* Communion Hymn No. 835: "One Bread, One Body"

Communion Prayer

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts!

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

P: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

Mystery of the Faith

**Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!**

Communion

Our Response to God's Grace

Thanksgiving after Communion – *Please see back inside cover of your hymnbook.*

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

* Closing Hymn No. 863: "Take My Life and Let It Be" *Verses 1, 3 and 5*

Postlude

Response

L: And all God's people said:

P: Glory be to God, Amen and Amen.

* Benediction

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

Elders

Amy Burdett (2023)
Alison DeMarree (2024)
Mark Lagoner (2023)
Carolyn Youngs (2024)

Deacons

Chip Bailey (2023)
Craig DeNagel (2023)
Chelsea Manahan (2024)
Donna Reuter (2024)

OUR MISSIONARIES

Nathan & Nozomi Brownell

Kenneth, Raymond, Luke

Japan

www.rca.org/brownell

Felipe & Janell de Waard-Silva

Luca, Sofia, Mila

Romania

www.rca.org/silva

OUR SUNDAY TO SUNDAY CALENDAR

Sunday – October 2nd

8:40 Choir rehearses
10:00 Worship in the sanctuary

Saturday – October 8th

9:00 Caring Hands

Sunday – October 9th

8:40 Choir rehearses
10:00 Worship in the sanctuary
11:15 Adult Education

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Eric Titus
Organist/Choir Director: Morgan Nikolov
Liturgist: Paula Shultes
Elder: Alison DeMarree
Coffee Host: Linda VerHow

This morning we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The communion offering is designated for Family Promise of Wayne County which transforms the lives of families experiencing homelessness. Because every child deserves a home.

The Fall Adult Education Series will be six sessions beginning next Sunday, October 9th starting around 11:15 (following service) in the Agape Room. Eric will continue with focusing in on the activity of the Protestant Church (Reformed and Lutheran) during the Weimar Republic of German (1919-1930), The period prior to the National Socialists seizure of power. He will focus especially on Karl Barth's (1886-1968) early theological responses to this alliance between the Church and a political party. The name of the course will be: An Un-holy Alliance: Lessons the Church Should Learn.

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 today and running through Sunday, November 6th 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.

We will be starting our Thursday morning Bible study on October 13th at 9:30 a.m. in the Agape Room. We will be using the book "What do I owe?" Managing The Gifts God Gives You by Rolf Bouma. This is a 5-week study and will explore the biblical idea of stewardship and the profound way in which it shapes the Christian life. Our tendency is to think of stewardship primarily in financial terms--- "What do I owe? ----but money is only one of the gifts God gives us to manage. We'll also reflect on how we can use the gift of time, the gift of the creation itself, and the gift of God's grace in thankfulness to God. Books are available on the piano in the Agape Room for \$12.

On Saturday, November 12th 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 has been collecting items already and because of your generosity we have many things to give to people who need them. We will continue to collect 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.

The deadline for the November issue of our newsletter, PRC Connections is Sunday, October 23rd. Please email your submissions to Editor Sara Scileppi to scileppi@aol.com.