



Community Presbyterian Church

Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time
13 November 2022

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

We Gather Together

*Call to Worship

(One) Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit.

(All) Let us spread this gift throughout the world by our love for one another. That it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(One) Come, Let us worship the God from whom all our blessings flow and who dwells with us today.

**(All) We will praise the One who lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.
Amen.**

Opening Prayer

*Hymn (698)

Let Us Talent and Tongues Employ

(1) Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain:

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

(2) Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he set the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express. [Refrain]

(3) Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) everywhere! [Refrain]

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 98

(One) O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

(All) The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

(One) He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

(All) Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

(One) Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

(All) With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

(One) Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

(All) Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth.

(One) He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Prayer of Confession

Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me, when you come into Your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me, when you come into Your Kingdom.

Silence

Response

Hear Our Prayer O'Lord

*Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord;
incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

New Testament Reading

Gospel Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Luke 21:5-19

Sermon

***Hymn (96)**

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

(1) O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

(2) My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad
the honors of your name.

(3) Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

(4) He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean,
his blood availed for me.

(5) To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in the one triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the

beginning of the world and will do to the end. **We believe** in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. **We believe** that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ, that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, and that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells. Amen.

-Adapted from the *Belhar Confession*

Offertory *We Give Thanks to Thee*
***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge
Benediction
Postlude

O' Worship the King

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Games Up Here

Join us for "**Games up here**" on **Monday, November 13th** at the Presbyterian Annex at 7:00pm.

Wednesday Bible Study

Join us this **Wednesday, November 16th at 5:00pm** in Darley Hall as we explore the Apocryphal book of *Tobit*. This is the first of our series on the *Apocrypha*. If you've ever wondered what's in these intertestamental books, here's your chance to take a look.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Join the men of Lake City this **Thursday, November 17th at 7:00am** for good food, prayer, and Bible study.

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SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 65:17-25

65:17 For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

65:18 But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

65:19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

65:20 No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

65:21 They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

65:22 They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

65:23 They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD--and their descendants as well.

65:24 Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

65:25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent--its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

3:6 Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us.

3:7 For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you,

3:8 and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you.

3:9 This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate.

3:10 For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat.

3:11 For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work.

3:12 Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

3:13 Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Luke 21:5-19

21:5 When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said,

21:6 "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

21:7 They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?"

21:8 And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

21:9 "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately."

21:10 Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom;

21:11 there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

21:12 "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name.

21:13 This will give you an opportunity to testify.

21:14 So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance;

21:15 for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict.

21:16 You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death.

21:17 You will be hated by all because of my name.

21:18 But not a hair of your head will perish.

21:19 By your endurance you will gain your souls.