



Community Presbyterian Church

Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time
10 November 2024

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

(One) We come to celebrate our salvation in Jesus Christ, who lives in us and we proclaim: Surely God is in this place!

(All) We come to open ourselves to God's grace, forgiveness, reconciliation, and love and we cry:

(One) Surely God is in this place!

(All) We come to hear God's voice more clearly in our lives as we listen to the Holy Spirit and we *whisper*:

(One) Surely God is in this place!

(All) We come to see God's Kingdom lived out in our faith community and in our lives and we declare:

(One) Surely God is in this place!

(All) We come to confess, sing, pray, worship, affirm, and offer ourselves to God and we exclaim:

(One) Surely God is in this place!

(All) Come, siblings of Christ, let us worship the eternal God-Father, Son, and Spirit-together.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 146

(One) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

(All) I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

(One) Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

(All) When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

(One) Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

(All) The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

(One) The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

(All) The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

Hymn (72) *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

(1) Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou has been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

(2) Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. [Refrain]

(3) Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

Prayer of Confession

(All) God of mercy, You sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:8-16

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38-44

Sermon

RESPONSE

Hymn (428)

It Is Well, With My Soul

(1) When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain:

It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

(2) Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control:
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul. [Refrain]

(3) My sin—O, the bliss of this glorious thought,
my sin—not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [Refrain]

(4) And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend:
"Even so"—it is well with my soul. [Refrain]

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** 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 buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence 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.

Offertory

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... Hear our prayers.

Prayer for All the Saints

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

Community Presbyterian Church

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SCRIPTURES

1 Kings 17:8-16

17:8

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

17:9

"Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you."

17:10

So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink."

17:11

As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand."

17:12

But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die."

17:13

Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son."

17:14

For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth."

17:15

She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days.

17:16

The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Hebrews 9:24-28

9:24

For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

9:25

Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the holy place year after year with blood that is not his own;

9:26

for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself.

9:27

And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once and after that the judgment,

9:28

so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Mark 12:38-44

12:38

As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces

12:39

and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets!

12:40

They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

12:41

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums.

12:42

A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny.

12:43

Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.

12:44

For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."