

# **Community Presbyterian Church**

Fourth Sunday of Ordinal Time Fruit of the Spirit 13 July 2025

# GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

#### Prelude

#### \*Call to Worship

(One) Come let us worship the God who began a good work in us and continues to work in our lives–guiding, teaching and equipping us to bear witness until Jesus Christ returns. (All) May our love and compassion continue to grow, a love that is full of knowledge and wisdom, that we might recognize God's truth and live our lives–holy and set apart for His purposes.

(One) May we live lives filled with the Holy Spirit, bearing rich fruit, proclaiming to the world that Christ is in us. (All) Holy Spirit, grant us your love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and selfcontrol.

(One) May our fruit be born of the Holy Spirit and seen by the world. That all might know we belong to God. Come let us worship the living God.

#### **Opening Prayer**

**Responsive Psalm** 

Psalm 25:1-10

# (One) To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.(All) O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

(One) Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

# (All) Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

(One) Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

#### (All) Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

(One) Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

#### (All) Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

(One) He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

(All) All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

#### \*Hymn (428)

When Peace I ike A River (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]

#### **Prayer of Confession**

(All) Gracious Father, forgive us for failing to love you and neglecting our neighbor. Have patience with us as we ignore the joy and peace you grant us daily. Pardon us for our impatience with others and with Your timing. Christ Jesus, forgive us for moments of unkindness and for when we chose sin over Your goodness. Forgive us for our lack of faith, our anger, and when we resist Your Spirit's guidance. Prune us, that we might bear fruit for your Kingdom here on Earth. Amen.

#### Silence

#### Assurance of Pardon

## PROCLAMATION

**Old Testament Reading New Testament Reading Gospel Reading** 

Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

#### Sermon

\*Taizé Chant

The Kingdom Of God

The Kingdom of God is justice and peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. Come, Lord, and open in us, the gates of Your Kingdom.

## RESPONSE

#### \*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   | You Gave Me Love |
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| *Doxology & Prayer of Dedication  |                  |
| Passing of the Peace of Christ  |                  |
| Prayers of the People<br>The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)                              |                  |
| SENDING   |                  |
| Prayer for Peace  | Da Pachem Domine |
| Grant us Your peace O'Lord.<br>Grant us Your peace O'Lord.<br>May it fill all our days. |                  |
| Benediction   |                  |
| Postlude  |                  |
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## SCRIPTURES

#### Deuteronomy 30:9-14

And the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors,

30:10

when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

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"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away.

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It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?'

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Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?'

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No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

#### Colossians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

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To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

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In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

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for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints,

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because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel

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that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God.

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This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf,

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and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

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For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,

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so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

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May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully

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giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

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He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, 1:14

in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

#### Luke 10:25-37

An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

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He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"

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He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself."

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And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

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But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

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Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead.

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Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

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So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

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But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion.

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He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

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The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' 10:36

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"

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He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."