

# Community Presbyterian Church

Seventh Sunday of Ordinal Time  
Fruit of the Spirit  
3 August 2025



## GATHERING

### Welcome & Announcements

#### Prelude

*Every Time I Feel The Spirit*

#### \*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 self-control.**

(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 49:1-12*

(One) Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together.

**(All) My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.**

(One) I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.

**(All) Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, those who**

**trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?**

(One) Truly, no ransom avails for one's life; there is no price one can give to God for it.

**(All) For the ransom of life is costly and can never suffice that one should live on forever and never see the Pit.**

(One) When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

**(All) Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.**

(One) Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.

**\*Hymn (68)** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

(1) Come, thou Fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise his name—I'm fixed upon it—  
name of God's redeeming love.

(2) Here I raise to thee an altar,  
hither by thy help I've come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wand'ring from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
bought me with his precious blood.

(3) O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,

bind my wandering heart to thee;  
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O, take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.

### **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** *Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23*

**New Testament Reading** *Colossians 3:1-11*

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 12:13-21*

### **Sermon**

## **RESPONSE**

**\*Hymn (466)**

*Goodness of the Lord*

I am sure we will see the goodness of the Lord  
in the land of the living.  
Yes, we shall see the goodness of our God,  
hold firm, trust in the Lord,

### **\*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**

*Peace Like A River*

### **\*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

### **Passing of the Peace of Christ**

### **Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** (sins/trespass)

## **SENDING**

### **Charge**

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

### **Community Presbyterian Church**

**Pastor:** Rev. Jason Brian Santos, Ph.D. (206) 962-9886

**Pianist:** Rosie Whitelock

**Ministry Intern:** Chloe Pittard

**Special Prelude:** Lake City Community Choir

**Special Offertory:** Sue Beddingfield, Joan Huey, and Allison Wetzell

## **SCRIPTURES**

### **Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23**

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

1:12

I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem.

1:13

I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with.

1:14

I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

2:18

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor,

2:19

and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity.

2:20

So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun,

2:21

because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.

2:22

What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun?

2:23

For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

### **Colossians 3:1-11**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

3:2

Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth,

3:3

for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

3:4

When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

3:5

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry).

3:6

On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient.

3:7

These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.

3:8

But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth.

3:9

Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices

3:10

and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator.

3:11

In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

### **Luke 12:13-21**

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me."

12:14

But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?"

12:15

And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

12:16

Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly.

12:17

And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?'

12:18

Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.

12:19

And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'

12:20

But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'

12:21

So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."