

Community Presbyterian Church

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinal Time World Communion Sunday 5 October 2025

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*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

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 37:1-9

(One) Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, for they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.

(All) Trust in the LORD and do good; live in the land, and enjoy security.

(One) Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

(All) Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.

(One) He will make your vindication shine like the light and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

(All) 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.

(One) Refrain from anger and forsake wrath. Do not fret--it leads only to evil.

(All) For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

*Hymn (544)

- (1) The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation, by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- (2) Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.
- (3) Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed: yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- (4) 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore, till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
- (5) Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Call to Confession

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Lamentations 3:19-26

New Testament Reading Gospel Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

Sermon

*Hymn (617)

A Place At The Table

(1) For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star over head.

Refrain:

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

- (2) For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share, with wisdom and grace, dividing the power, for woman and man, a system that's fair, [Refrain]
- (3) For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song, the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong, [Refrain]
- (4) For just and unjust, a place at the table, abuser, abused, with need to forgive, in anger, in hurt, a mind-set of mercy, for just and unjust, a new way to live, [Refrain]
- (5) For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free, [Refrain]

EUCHARIST

Welcome to the Table

Words of Institution

Communion

Eat This Bread

Eat this bread, Drink this cup.
Come to him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, Drink this cup.
Trust in him and you will not thirst.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*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.

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Lamentations 3:19-26

The thought of my affliction and my homelessness is wormwood and gall!

3:20

My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me.

3:21

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:

3:22

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;

3:23

they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

3:24

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

3:25

The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

3:26

It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

1:2

To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

1:3

I am grateful to God--whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did--when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.

1:4

Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy.

1:5

I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.

1:6

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands,

1:7

for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

1:8

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God,

1:9

who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Jesus Christ before the ages began,

1:10

but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

1:11

For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher,

1:12

and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard the deposit I have entrusted to him.

1:13

Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

1:14

Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" 17:6

The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

17:7

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'?

17:8

Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'?

17:9

Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? 17:10

So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"