

COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1400 Highland Pike, Covington, Kentucky, 41011

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Sunday, February 5, 2017

Worship 11:00am

+ All who are able may stand

*Regular type, one speaks; **bold type, everyone speaks.***

Preparing Ourselves

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

+Call to Worship

L: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,

P: The world, and those who live in it;

L: For God created the world, and all things that live, and called it all *good*

P: Thanks be to God for God's wonderful act of creation!

+Prayer of the Day

Let us pray: **Gracious God, you are the King of Creation and Lord of all. As we bring our offering of song, prayer and words to you may we feel and engage with your holy presence; and may we feel the love through which we were created flow through our hearts and minds. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.**

+Hymn of Praise

The King of Glory Comes

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Call to Reconciliation

L: God's love calls us to confession, repentance, and reconciliation. Let us now make our confessions prayerfully together and individually:

Prayer of Confession

God of Grace and Mercy, You created us as good and have showed us how we should live; but we fall short of your desires. We put our own desires and comfort ahead of the poor and outcast. We accept your grace but withhold forgiveness from those around us. We turn our backs on those

who different than we are. Forgive us, O Lord, for our shortcomings and our inability to love as you love and give as you give. Grant to us the vision of the kingdom that is yours that we may work for it in your holy name.
(Moment of Silence)

Assurance of Forgiveness

L: Hear the good news that is ours today and every day: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and completely reconciled with God. Thanks be to God! Amen.

P: In Jesus Christ we are all forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Response of Praise

Come and Fill Our Hearts (2x)

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Passing of the Peace

L: By offering the peace of Christ to one another, we recognize each other's place in the family of God. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you.

Please greet one another with a handshake and/ or the exchange of the peace.

Anthem

Amen traditional

Hymn 299

Congregation please sing the Amens with the choir

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, give us ears to hear your story in these words of Scripture; give us eyes to see your story in the faces of those that surround us; and give us faith enough, that by your grace, we might serve you until the end of our days. Amen.

First Reading

Psalm 24

Second Reading

Luke 2: 22-40

Sermon

Looking for Redemption

Rev. Stacey Midge

Responding With Thanks and Praise

Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from the Belhar Confession

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we believe that that

this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active, in that we love one another; that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another, that we share one baptism together, that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together, that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

The Service of Giving Prayer of Dedication Musical Offering

+Response of Praise *Glory Be to the Father* #578

Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together* #513

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** It is truly right...

...Who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of Hosts. (2x)

The whole world is full of your glory. (3x)

Holy is the Lord!

...Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Going Forth to Love and Serve

+Sending Hymn *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* #422

+The Charge and Benediction

+ The Postlude