

COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, May 28, 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: Sing to God, O people of the earth; sing praises to the Lord! Selah

All (sung): Our God is an awesome God, who reigns from heaven above with wisdom power and love our God is an awesome God!

P: We hear God's voice in the storm's thunder; in the bird's songs; in the rushing waters of the stream—and we know God is with us.

All (sung): Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above with wisdom power and love our God is an awesome God.

L: God is filled with power! Power on earth and in the heavens

P: Our God gives us strength; let us praise God with our voices raised

All (sung): Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above with wisdom power and love our God is an awesome God!

+Prayer of the Day and The Lord's Prayer-

Let us pray: **You are awesome, O God; you provide for us a home, a family, and a way of living that teaches us to live in harmony with our neighbors. As we worship you today may we feel your lovingkindness and the wonder of your creative power. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying: *Our father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.***

Call to Reconciliation

We are but imperfect human beings, created by God as good but fallen short of God's intention for our existence. Let us admit our errors and seek God's grace; let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we have not lived into your call on our lives. We have not loved our neighbors; we have avoided the poor and blame oppression on the oppressed. Forgive us for putting our own self-interest first and the plight of the needy last. Strengthen and encourage us in our efforts to be people of your word. (moment of silence.)

Assurance of Forgiveness *from the Font*

L: We are people of the living God, Jesus Christ, who cleanses and renews us by the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God! Amen.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Response of Praise *Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks (refrain, 2x)* #106

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

We Will Glorify

Paris

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Through the reading and hearing of your word, O God, may we find your love, your hope and your grace. Amen.

First Reading	Acts 1:6-14	
Hymn	My Country, 'Tis of Thee	#561
Second Reading	John 17:1-11	
Sermon		Rev. Sharon Carter

Responding With Thanks and Praise

Affirmation of Faith *from the Confession of 1967*

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as his reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares his labor of healing the enmities which separate [human beings] from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to this call.

The Service of Giving	Prayer of Dedication	Musical Offering
+Response of Praise	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	#577
Sharing of Joys and Concerns		
Prayers of Intercession		

Going Forth to Love and Serve

+Sending Hymn	<i>Christ is Made the Sure Foundation</i>	#417
+The Charge and Benediction		
+ The Postlude		