

<sup>57</sup>As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup>And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup>To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup>But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." <sup>61</sup>Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." <sup>62</sup>Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

**Sermon** Rev. Sharon Carter

### **Responding to the Word Affirmation of Faith**

L: In life and in death we belong to God.  
**P: Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, We trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

L: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

**P: With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.**

### **Offering**

Prayer, Offertory Music

### **Response Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise [God] all creatures here below, praise [God] above the heavenly host, praise Father Son and Holy Ghost, Amen.*

### **Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People**

For your Church in every place, that we may worship and serve you faithfully ...  
For leaders and people in every land, that they may know your way and do your will...

For justice throughout the world, that there may be peace and plenty for all...  
For the earth you have made, that it may flourish in beauty and show your glory...

For all those who hunger and thirst, that they may be filled with good things...  
For those who are ill or close to death, that they may know your loving care...  
Receive all these prayers, O God, in the tenderness of your mighty hand, and strengthen our hands to serve you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Going Into the World**

**+Sending Song** *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (Insert)*

**+Charge and Benediction  
+Postlude**



THE BODY OF CHRIST



Community of Faith Presbyterian Church  
June 30, 2019  
+Stand as you are able  
*Leader reads plain type, Congregation reads bold*

## Welcome

### Lifting our Voices in Praise

#### Awesome God (all sing)

*Our God is an awesome God,  
Who reigns from heaven above  
With wisdom power and love  
Our God is an awesome God (sing 3x)*

#### More Precious than Silver (all sing)

*Lord you are more precious than silver  
Lord you are more costly than gold  
Lord you are more beautiful than  
diamonds  
And nothing I desire compares with you  
(sing 3x)*

## Call to Worship

L: We gather today as a community led by the Spirit.

**P: Your way, O God, is holy.**

L: Pick up the mantle of faith and follow Christ today.

**P: Your way, O God, is holy.**

L: Listen, pray, and believe.

**P: Your way, O God, is holy.**

## Prayer of Affirmation and Confession

Holy One,  
we come before you today:  
full of hope,  
full of desire,  
full of promise.

Help us take up the mantle of faith you have laid before us,  
that we may use our own gifts of the Spirit  
to face the challenges before us.  
Help us face the turmoil  
within and around us,  
that we may face the future unafraid.

Remind us, dear Lord, that we are yours  
Even when we are angry  
Even when we are jealous  
Even when we quarrel with each other  
Even when we don't live up to your desire for our lives. (moment of silence)

Let us now pray the prayer that Christ taught us: ***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.***

## Response to Affirmation and Confession

L: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,

peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Christ has set us free!

Follow Christ and know God's love!

**P: By the power of God's love we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## Sung Response

### Spirit of the Living God

*Spirit of the living God,  
Fall afresh on me  
Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me,  
fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.*

## +Passing of the Peace

L: As God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another: the peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

**P: And also with you.**

## Special Music

### Hearing the Word

## Sung Prayer for Illumination

*Listen to the Word that God has spoken  
Listen to the One who is close at hand  
Listen to the Voice that began creation  
Listen even if you don't understand*

## First Reading Galatians 5:1, 14-25

<sup>14</sup>For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>15</sup>If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. <sup>16</sup>Live by the

Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. <sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. <sup>24</sup>And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup>If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.  
**Hymn** *Amazing Grace (see insert)*

## Gospel Reading Luke 9:51-62

<sup>51</sup>When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup>but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup>But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>Then they went on to another village.