village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14When he saw them, he said to them. "Go and show vourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back. praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" 19Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Sermon

Rev. Sharon Carter

Responding to the Word Affirmation of Faith

Confession of 1967, 9,16,17

We believe that God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealings with humankind. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator. We believe that God has created us for personal relationship in which we may respond to the love of the Creator. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage.

Offering

Prayer, Offertory Music

Response Give Thanks

Notes

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son; and now may the weak say I am strong, may the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Friends in Christ,

God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our hanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world...
(Moment of silence)

Loving God, open our ears to hear your word, and draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Going Into the World

- **+Hymn** Come Sing, O Church, in Joy! (insert)
- +Charge and Benediction +Postlude





THE BODY OF CHRIST



Community of Faith Presbyterian Church
October 13, 2019 +Stand as you are able
Leader reads plain type, Congregation reads bold
type

Preparing Ourselves

Prelude Welcome

+Call to Worship/Opening Prayer based on Psalm 66

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.

P: Let us say to God, "How great are your glorious deeds! All the earth worships you and sings praises to your name!"

All (sing): I sing praises to your name, O Lord, praises to your name, O Lord, for your name is great and worthy to be praised! (repeat)

L: Come and see what God has done! God is awesome, and to human beings God's deeds are awesome!

P: God turned the sea to dry land and they passed through the river on dry land. We bless the Lord who...who has not let our feet slip.

All (sing): I sing praises...

L: Bless our God, O people! Let the sound of our praise to God be heard!

P: Let us come into God's house with offerings of prayer and praise, music and worship.

All (sing): I sing praises...

L: Come and hear, all you who are in awe of God's power, and let us all tell what God has done for us!

P: God has truly heard our prayers! Let us bless God, for God has listened and given attention to our prayers!

All (sing): I sing praises...

Let us pray: O Holy One, many are the ways that you have blessed us, with your deeds of wonder and your care for us. We are grateful to you! Hear us today as we lift our voices in praise to you and in thanksgiving for all your good gifts. We pray all of these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray together, 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

Why does God tell the Israelites to work for the good of the Babylonians?

Is the Samaritan Leper more grateful than the others?

kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Call to Confession Prayer of Confession

L: Blessed are you, O God, when you love us.

P: We want to love as you love but we have been hurt so many times.

L: Blessed are you, O God, when you care for us

P: Forgive us when we find it hard to care for those around us who are in need.

L: Blessed are you, O God, when you are merciful.

P: Help us, O God, to love as you love, to care as you care, and to forgive as you forgive. Amen. (moment of silence)

Words of Assurance

L: In Christ we are forgiven and made new. Thanks be to God! Amen.

P: We rejoice because we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Response Come and Fill Our Hearts Come and fill our hearts with your peace, you alone O Lord are Holy; Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia! (3x)

+Passing of the Peace

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

P: And also with you. Anthem

Hearing the Word Prayer for Illumination

Listen to the Word G2G #455

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.

Lectio Divina (Divine Reading) Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon... ⁴Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile. and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Meditation Response

Hymn Make Me A Channel of Your Peace (insert)

Gospel Reading Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a