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July 3, 2022, 11:15 am



Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Candle

Centering Music

Call to Worship

L: The Spirit and the Church say, "Come."

P: The people of the Word say, "Come."

L: Let everyone who is thirsty come.

P: Let us all receive the gift of the water of life.

Let us pray: **God of all glory, on this first day you began creation, bringing light out of darkness. On this first day you began your new creation, raising Jesus Christ from the darkness of death. On this Lord's Day grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your works in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever, and pray to you as Jesus taught us to pray together: *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.***

Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* (473)

Call to Confession

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the gift of God's grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. moment of silence.)

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 59). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Assurance of Forgiveness

L: Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

P: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p.63). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Response *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the son, whose grace has pardoned me
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.*

The Peace

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Illumination

God of mercy, grant that the Word you speak this day may take root in our hearts, and bear fruit to your honor and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer (1549)

Scripture Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. 2Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. 3She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." 4So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. 5And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. 6He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." 7When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." 8But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

9So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. 10Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." 11But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! 12Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. 13But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" 14So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Hymn *We Come as Guests Invited (517) [tune #448, Llangloffan]*

Scripture **Luke 10:1-11.** After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. 2He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' 6And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. 7Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10But whenever you enter a

town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

Sermon

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. 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... In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace...With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. --Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 87). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Offering Prayer

L: In the spirit of the first believers, we are called to share our goods in common and contribute to the needs of the poor with glad and generous hearts. Let us pray:

P: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the many blessings you have given to us, and for the opportunity to share what we have with others who are in need. Help us to use our gifts of money, time and talents to shape the world in your image. Amen.

Celebration of Holy Communion

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you. **P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts. **P: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Chorus (all): *Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of Hosts (2x)*

The whole world is full of God's glory (3x)

Holy is the Lord!

You are holy, O God of majesty...that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

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

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Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Taking the Word into the World

+Song: *Called as Partners In Christ's Service (343)*

+Charge and Benediction

+Stand as you are able

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which, from our birth,
Over and around us lies, Lord of all to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise!

For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light, Lord of all to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and minds' delight, for the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight, Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild, Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For thy church which evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore,
Her pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praises.

We Come As Guests Invited

We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine,
His friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;
The bread of life is broken, the wine is freely poured for us,
In solemn token of Christ, our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need,
And in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed;
With wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end,
We find in Jesus living our ever present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine,
Our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine
Renewed, sustained, and given by token sign and word,
The pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace,
We respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,
Equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
Let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth,
Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old,
Blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense,
Help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care,
Bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.
So God grant us for tomorrow, ways to order human life
That surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase
Messengers of faith, thus giving, hope and confidence and peace.

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Scriptures for Sunday, July 10

Amos 7:7–17
Psalm 82
Colossians 1:1–14
Luke 10:25–37

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Betty Murphy
Ruth Roeber
The McDermott family
Johanna Willis
Nita Kleier
Jean Jennings' family
Emille Walden
Kelly Montana
Lynda Jaeger
Kittie Dupps
Skip Dixon & Family
Ron Carlin
Ella Grace Marksberry

Worship Services:

Join us for in person services at our new location at 710 Western Reserve Rd., Crescent Springs, KY. You can also worship with us online via Facebook Live, or by joining the conference call. Worship services begin at 11:15 am.

"Mysteries of the Universe" Study:

Join us Mondays at 9 pm via Zoom for the "Mysteries of the Universe" study. We'll be discussing mystics and spiritual practice through the writings and artworks of past and present Christian mystics. Contact Rev. Sharon for more information.

Sandwiches for Cornerstone:

We'll be providing sandwiches for Cornerstone on Thursday, July 7. Please drop off any prepared sandwiches to the refrigerator at church by July 7 at 4:30 pm.

Supporting the Presbytery & the Denomination with Per Capita:

Per Capita is a fundamental way in which all of us, as members of the nearly 10,000 congregations and mid councils of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) connect, participate and share in the work of the wider church. Per capita is the primary source of funding for the Presbytery, as well as the Synod and General Assembly, and is how Presbyterians mutually and equitably share the costs of coming together to discern the Spirit's leading for the future. It is how Presbyterians are trained to become better ruling elders, teaching elders and deacons, and ministers. It is how Presbyterians are helped to discern God's call in their lives. It has supported our ministries at COF through grants to CLASP and for equipment purchases for our virtual church services. Please prayerfully consider donating the \$33 per capita apportionment set by the Presbytery, for each church member.

Donations for Johnna Willis & RideCincinnati:

On Sept 17, 2022, Johanna Willis will be participating in RideCincinnati, a bike ride to raise money for cancer research. She has registered to ride 50 miles and is required to raise \$750 additional dollars, beside the \$100 registration fee. All donations are recorded online. To donate, please go to: <https://ridecincinnati.org/rider/2241>. Please, prayerfully consider donating.