

Community of Faith



Presbyterian Church

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*God calls us to love
God and each other
and show that love
through our songs,
prayers, and
thoughts during our
worship service.*

*We pray together to
seek forgiveness for
sins of the
corporate body. We
pray silently for
personal sins.*

Worship, August 21, 2022, 11:15 am

+Stand as you are able

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements
Lighting of the Christ Candle
Centering Music

+Call to Worship

L: The Lord be with you

P: And also with you.

L: Beloved, let us love one another.

P: We love because God first loved us.

Let us pray: **O God, light of the hearts that know you, life of the souls that love you, strength of the thoughts that seek you: to turn from you is to fall, to turn to you is to rise, and to abide in you is to stand fast forever. Although we are unworthy to approach you, or to ask anything of you, grant us your grace and blessing during this time of worship, for the sake of Jesus Christ; and hear us as we pray the prayer 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.***

+Hymn *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven* (479)

Call to Confession

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; Rom. 3: 23– 24 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

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. (*Moment of silent prayer*)

God's grace and forgiveness comes to us through our faith in Jesus Christ.

Assurance of Pardon

L: Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith. Beloved people of God, believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

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

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 56, 59, 63). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Response of Praise *O Lord, Hear My Prayer (2x)*

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer, when I call, answer me, O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer, come and listen to me.

Passing of the Peace

L: Be kind to one another, and tenderhearted, forgiving one another as Christ has forgiven you. The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

(The sign of the peace is shared.)

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 67). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Lord God, pour out your Spirit upon us to bring good news to the oppressed, and let your word be fulfilled among us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 70). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Scripture Reading **Isaiah 5:9-12** ⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Hymn *What Wondrous Love Is This (85)*

Gospel Reading **Luke 13:10-17** ¹⁰Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the

Words from the prophet Isaiah. What is God asking of the people?

Why is the synagogue leader angry? What point is Jesus trying to make?

synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Sermon

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith *Apostles' Creed (ecumenical)* Presbyterian Hymnal, pp 14

The Apostles' Creed was first used in the context of Baptism and is one of the earliest affirmations of faith used in Christian worship.

Offering Prayer

The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it; the world and all that is in it. Let us give thanks to God for all God has done for us.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love. Amen

Response of Praise (v.1 only)

SERVICE MUSIC

582 Glory to God,
Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me.
2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

**Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People**

*How are you/ we
going to be the
hands and heart of
God in the world
this week?*

*Where do you hope
to see God in the
world this week?*

Taking the Word into the World

+Song *Live Into Hope (332)*

+Charge and Benediction

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Scriptures for Sunday, August 28

Jeremiah 2:4–13
Psalm 81:1, 10–16
Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16
Luke 14:1, 7–14

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.

Joint Worship with Crescent Springs Presbyterian Church

Our August "Joint Worship" with Crescent Springs Presbyterian Church will be on Sunday, August 28 at 10:30 am in the COF space.

Ice Cream Social

We're bringing back one of our favorite Community of Faith events, the Ice Cream Social! Join us Sunday, August 28 2-4 pm for ice cream and fellowship. Anyone interested in helping plan the event or make ice cream should let Rev. Sharon know!

Donations for Johanna 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. To donate, please go to: <https://ridecincinnati.org/rider/2241>.

Buckhorn Disaster Offering Announcement

Buckhorn Children and family Services state their mission as: The mission of Buckhorn Children & Family Services is to provide a sanctuary of health, healing, and hope for at-risk children, youth, and families.

Unfortunately, that mission is in jeopardy, due to the disastrous flooding in their area of eastern Kentucky. Several of their buildings have been severely damaged, several of their staff have lost their homes and all their possessions, and the Buckhorn Elementary School has also been heavily damaged and has had to delay opening for the new school year.

COF has supported Buckhorn for many years with our Christmas gifts and donations, as well as our prayers. Most of you know that Jack Kleier has been on the Buckhorn Board of Directors for decades.

Please consider a gift of cash or a gift card to Buckhorn, through Community of Faith, sometime in the next 2-3 weeks. You can put a check in the offering plate made out to Community of Faith (with "Buckhorn" in the memo line), donate online through the church, or pick up gift cards to Walmart, Target, or Lowes. The gift cards can be given directly to Jack, or to Bill Lindsay, Treasurer.