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Worship

Sunday, November 6, 2022, 11:15 am

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Candle

Centering Music

+Call to Worship

L: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P: The Lord is good to all, and God's compassion is over all creation.

L: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

P: Our mouths shall speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh will bless God's holy name forever and ever.

Let us Pray: **O Lord, as we gather, it so easy for our minds to be elsewhere. There is so much going on. The news is what we hope or pray for, many of our lives are a mess, and tomorrow holds no certainty. But we are here. We are here to worship, we are here to slow down and to seek your presence. Fill us, fill our room, and fill our worship with your presence and your glory. Amen.**

+Hymn *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* (#464)

Call to Confession

God privileges us with time and attention. Let us not squander this time but approach our Redeemer with a humble and honest confession.

Prayer of Confession

We confess our discomfort with uncertainty. We confess our desire for personal power and our desperate grabs for control. We confess our need for everything to make sense. And yet, Great God of mystery, there is so much beyond us and our understanding. Remind us we are human. Humble us in your presence. Help us rest in the faith that your grace is sufficient. Amen. (Moment of silence.)

Assurance of Forgiveness

L: God's grace is given freely. God's love is steadfast. Receive the good news that you are forgiven, and live liberated from sin to the glory of God. Amen

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

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

P: And also with you.

L: Let us share the sign of the peace with one another.

Anthem**Hearing the Word****Prayer for Illumination**

Open us, Holy One, to your Word and your way. Clear our minds of daily distractions. Fill our hearts with the humility we need to hear and receive the message you intend for us today.

Amen

Scripture Psalm 98

1 O sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm
have gotten him victory.

2 The Lord has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

3 He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.

4 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

5 Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody.

6 With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

7 Let the sea roar and all that fills it,
the world and those who live in it.

8 Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy

9 at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming
to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Hymn *We Come as Guests Invited (#517)*

Scripture Luke 20: 27-38 27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him 28 and asked him a question: “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man[a] shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. 29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; 30 then the second[b] 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. 32 Finally the woman also died. 33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.”

34 Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, 35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. 36 Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. 37 And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive.”

Sermon

Majoring in the Manor

Rev. Terry

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith *From A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

Offering Prayer

L: “God loves a cheerful giver.” Let us present our tithes and offerings to God.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy God, how often we take for granted all that we have. How often we fail to recognize how blessed we are. Take these gifts we give in response to your generosity and use them to further Christ’s mission and ministry in a hurting world. Amen

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Celebration of Holy Communion

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.

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 387). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Taking the Word into the World

+Song *Christ is Alive! (#108)*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

+Stand as you are able

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Scriptures for Sunday, November 13

Isaiah 65:17–25
Isaiah 12
2 Thessalonians 3:6–13
Luke 21:5–19

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Betty Murphy
Ruth Roeber
The McDermott family
Johanna Willis
The Kleier family
Jean Jennings' family
Emilee Walden
Kelly Montana
Lynda Jaeger
Kittie Dupps
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.

Guest Preacher for Sunday, November 13

Rev. Terry Webster will be filling the pulpit next Sunday.

Cornerstone Meals

Join us on Monday, November 14 as we prepare meals for Cornerstone. We'll then serve the meals on Tuesday, November 15.

Upcoming Session Meeting

Session will meet on Thursday, November 10.

Liturgist Sign-Up

Volunteers for liturgist are needed for November and December, except for Christmas Day. (Note that you are encouraged to worship on Christmas Day at one of Crescent Springs Presbyterian Church's services or with the Synod's Christmas Zoom worship. More information to come.)

Commitment Sunday - November 6

As we have been pointing out during our minutes for mission in this Stewardship Season, this year's stewardship theme is: Growing in Faith Through Active Stewardship. The season officially ends, today, November 6, "Commitment Sunday." Notice that this doesn't mean that stewardship ends on November 6! The fact that we have come "full circle" to the point of "commitment" means that it's time to begin a new year of carrying out our commitments.

Remember our dictionary definition(s) of commitment? Commitment is an agreement or pledge to do something in the future; an engagement to assume a financial obligation at a future date; something pledged; the state or an instance of being obligated or emotionally impelled; e.g. a commitment to a cause.

These all represent ACTIVE stewardship. As you submit your "Estimate of Giving" card, today (or next week, if it's not possible today), please consider it as your "down payment" for your commitment to the work, worship, and mission of Community of Faith Presbyterian. Thank you for your past gifts, and we look forward to your future generous giving of your time, talents, and treasure in 2023.