GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

Charles Callahan

As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.

SILENT MEDITATION

"God's universal purpose of blessing has to be wrought out through specific acts and specific times and places and involving particular people." Leslie Newbiggin

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing" Gordon Young

CALL TO WORSHIP adapted from Psalm 105

Make known the deeds of the Lord among the people.

Give Thanks to the Lord! Call on his Name!

Tell of all his wonderful works.

Sing to the Lord! Sing praises to his Name!

Remember the wonderful works he has done.

Rejoice in the Lord! Rejoice in his Holy Name!

Let us continually seek his presence.

Worship the Lord! Let us worship in his name now and forever.

PRAISE AND ADORATION

*OPENING HYMN #361

"O Christ, the Great Foundation"

AURELIA

(*Please stand, if you are able.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Providence, your faithfulness is from everlasting to everlasting, but we fail to trust. You hold all creation in the palm of your hand, but we take our lives into our own hands more often than we would like to admit. When we trust ourselves more than your grace, forgive us. When we get caught up in our own strivings, relieve us. When we think the world rests on our shoulders, remind us. Call us back to your way. Teach us to turn our lives over to your gracious care.

Hear this, our prayer, and hear us now as we pray to you in the silence of our hearts...

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION



ASSURANCE OF PARDON



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Mission Committee member, Rob Bailey for our back-to-school backpack drive for OPS Schools

HYMN #69

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

HERE I AM

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 21:1-14

page 14 of the pew Bible

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM "Cantate Domino" Heinrich Schütz

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

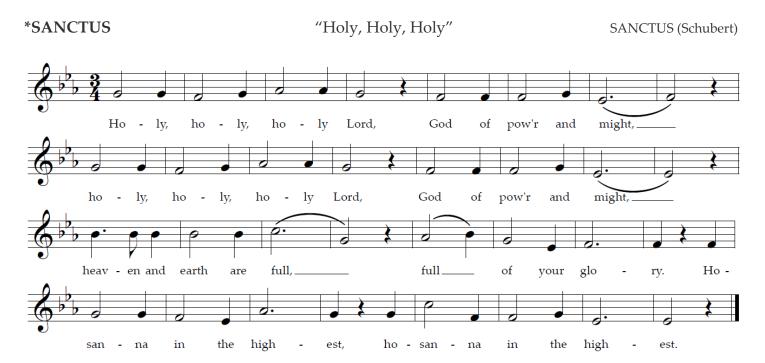
Matthew 10:40-42

page 791 of the pew Bible

SERMON "When Jesus Teaches" Rev. Dempsey

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.



RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

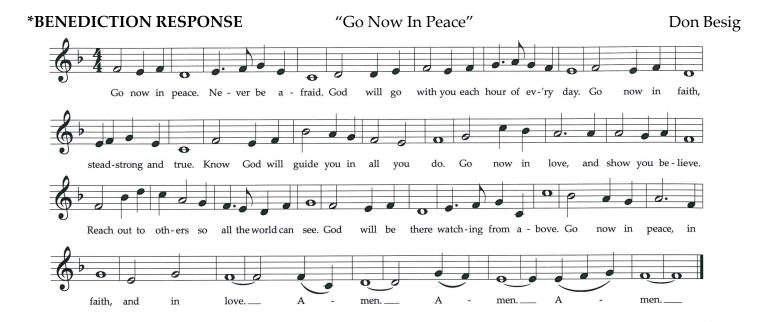
OFFERTORY "Grace" David L. Brunner

* DOXOLOGY (#609) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LASST UNS ERFREUEN Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of Hope, You have called on us to be present to share the blessings of our time, talents and wealth. We pray in thanksgiving for these gifts that allow us to help those most in need. May they feel confident in your love and empowered by your grace. We ask this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION



POSTLUDE

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

John Behnke

SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Music Vocal Trio: Jayne Frederickson, Kristi Treu, Marietta Morhardt

Marissa Mathia, piano; Mark Kanitz, organ

Ushers Rick & Sheri Sessions, Julie Buehler, Charlotte & Neal Hubbard

Greeters North Door: Bob & Judy Thomas South Door: Alta Empkey

Information Center Ardys Hansum

Childcare Ministry Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, and Brandon Fisher

Coffee Hosts Congregational Life

Note: As the church searches to fill our Organist/Accompanist job opening, you will see guest organists from time to time on Sundays

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The Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 2

10:00 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream 11:00 Farewell Celebration/Brunch for

Rev. Christine Dempsey

Monday, July 3 & Tuesday, July 4Office Closed for the 4th of July holiday

Wednesday, July 5

10:00 OAC Meeting

Sunday, July 9

10:00 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream

with Communion

11:00 Don & Millie's Caring & Sharing Day

until 3 p.m.

11:00 Coffee Fellowship

4:15 Serve dinner at Siena Francis House

Summer Schedule Through September 3

Single Worship Service at 10 a.m. Coffee Fellowship at 11 a.m. No Sunday School Office Hours: 9:00 to 3:30 Monday-Friday Joys and Concerns. The flowers in the chancel this week are given by the PCOC staff in honor of Rev. Christine Dempsey's call to Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies. An all-church farewell celebration for Rev. Christine Dempsey is happening today after worship in Fellowship Hall. While we are happy for her new call, we are sad to see her leave PCOC. She will be missed!

Office Closed on July 3 &4. Have a safe and happy 4th of July!

Tai Chi Updates. The Tai Chi class will not meet on July 3, 6, and 10. We'll resume our Monday & Thursday schedule at 10 a.m. on July 13. Find us on the lower level. Questions? Contact Paula Allen.

Volunteer at the ROC Ministries Fireworks Stand. ROC will be hosting a fireworks tent this year as a fundraiser. Please consider signing up to volunteer at their tent through July 5. Visit the church website sign up page to volunteer!

Looking for ideas to celebrate the 4th? We have a great one, and you will be helping one of our mission partners at the same time!

Voices for Children will be the featured non-profit at the Storm Chasers baseball game on July 3 at Werner Park. After the game, enjoy a spectacular post-game fireworks show. Check the Omaha Storm Chasers website for ticket availability.

Sign Up for Art Camp Happening July 11-14. Children 1st - 5th grade (completed) are invited to join us in the Gathering Space from 9 a.m. to noon for Art Camp. The cost is \$25 for materials/child. Come have fun and create art with Sue Thomas. Sign up on the church website!



We're Still Hiring! You will continue to see guest organists each Sunday as we search to fill our organist/accompanist job opening. If you know someone who is the right person for this job, please share this information! Find the full job description on the church website.

Summer Ushers Needed. Looking for a way to serve the church? Sign up to usher on a Sunday that works for you! We are looking for ushers for our 10 a.m. services through September 3. No experience needed! Families are welcome to sign up. We will send emails to all who sign up with directions on usher duties. Sign up online!

Thank You! Thanks so much for the thoughts, prayers, calls, cards and visits. Darrell and I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. It's such a comfort to have the support of our church family. Darrell continues to get PT at Madonna and hopefully will go home around July 6th.

- Darrell and Barb Stuedemann

Attention Entertainers! Serve your party or group in style with glass Hostess Sets (on display at the Information Desk). The Presbyterian Women are offering them Free of Charge! Contact Cindy Nisley if you are interested.

Breast Cancer Support Group on Monday, July 10. Our group will meet in the Prayer Room at noon to share lunch and support for one another. Questions? Contact Karen Morey.

Serve Dinner at Siena Francis House on July 9. Did you know that Siena Francis House provides nearly 400,000 meals each year? PCOC serves dinner on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Our serving time this month is on July 9 from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. We need at least six volunteers. Sign up for one of the PCOC timeslots. If you have not already created a volunteer account, the website will prompt you to do so. Please sign in when you arrive for your shift. If you have questions, contact Keith Allen.

What's Next in Our Search for a New Associate Pastor? Plan to join us after worship for a Lunch & Learn on Sunday, July 30 to hear more about our next steps. A box lunch will be provided, so we can quickly serve everyone and start our discussion. Sign up will begin on July 9.

Agape Event – North Omaha Learning Tour on July 13. Join us for lunch and/or a museum tour. At 11:30 a.m., we will dine at Jackson's Fair Deal Café (2118 N. 24th). Cost is dependent on your choice of menu items that day. At 1:00 p.m., we will visit the Great Plains Black History Museum at 2221 N. 24th Street. The tour is free, but freewill donations are welcome and needed. Sign up on the church website. Carpooling will be available.

Book Group on Wednesday, July 19. The PCOC Book Group will meet for their annual planning session from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. Each person may suggest up to three books for our next list. All suggested books must have Title, Author, number of pages, and a brief synopsis as well as fiction or non-fiction classification. From all the suggestions we receive, individuals will choose one book they think should be on the list to create our reading list for next year. All readers are welcome! Contact June Fettig with questions.



School Supply Collection in July. School supplies will be collected throughout the month of July to benefit our OPS mission partner schools: Integrated Learning Program (ILP), Walnut Hill, Bancroft, and Sherman elementary schools. For 2023, we've set a goal of 125 backpacks in addition to all the traditional school supplies. The collection boxes are inside the circle drive doors and in the Narthex.

Join Alleluia Singers for Summer Choir Sundays. Sing with us for Summer Choir on July 16 and August 13. Come to the choir rehearsal room at 9 a.m. We'll rehearse a few simple pieces to sing at the 10 a.m. worship service. This is a great time to try choir on for size without making a large time commitment. Email Kristi Treu at kristi@pcoc.us to let her know you are coming.

Did you see a mission, fellowship, or educational event that you'd like to sign up for???? We've made it easy to sign up online! Just scan the QR code to access our sign-up page, locate your event, and complete the online sign-up form!



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