



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of **MADISON**



May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter/Communion

ORDER of WORSHIP

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

* Call to Worship

L: O sing to the Lord a new song

P: for the Lord has done wondrous things.

L: The Lord has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to all people.

P: All the earth has seen the victory of our God!

L: Let us worship together in the beauty of this sanctuary!

All: Alleluia! Amen!

(The music for the hymns is in the back of the bulletin.)

* Opening Hymn

In Christ There Is No East or West

(v1, v2, & v3)

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you love us with an unimaginable kind of love. You sent your Son, our Lord Jesus, to seek out and save us, because we were lost. When we ran, you ran after us. When we hid from your grace, you shined your light into our lives. When we doubted your goodness, you filled our hearts with faith. Forgive us, O God, for turning away from your love. Forgive us and help us embrace that love, accept it, and live in it. Show us how to live in your kingdom, here on earth. This we pray in the holy name of our Lord Jesus. Amen.

(A moment of silence is observed.)

Assurance of Pardon

This statement is accurate and should be universally understood. Jesus came into this life to rescue sinners. He bore in his body, our sins so that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*** Congregational Response**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord!

Alleluia, alleluia. Give praise to his name!

Passing of the Peace

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Good and Gracious God, we have not always loved you with a pure heart, and we do not always treat others with pure motives. We often seek to gain, forgetting that you came to heal and to serve. We often look out for ourselves first, and forget our promises to you and those around us in need. O God, forgive us. Help us to change day by day as we follow your way of love through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Savior.

First Scripture Reading

Matthew 10: 40-42

40 "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. 41 Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, 42 and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Second Scripture Reading

1 John 4: 7-12

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Sermon

God Living in Us

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

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.

The Gifts of Our Tithes and Offering

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ all people here below;

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God whom we adore.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Amen!

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, Holy, holy! Merciful and Mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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 glory, forever. Amen.

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

GOING FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

* Closing Hymn

We Will Go Out with Joy

Benediction

*Postlude

*As our time of worship comes to an end, our time of service begins
We are the church, sent out in Jesus' name,
to be Christ's body in the world.*

WORSHIP LEADER

Becky Moody

Dear PCMadison Members and Friends,

Thank you for the wonderful retirement and goodbye coffee hour on Easter Sunday with a smorgasbord of goodies including coconut cake and cake pops, deviled eggs and even hot cross buns!

And then you had another special goodbye on April 14th, my last Sunday with you: the special banner and cards from the children, the autographed photo of the church and the very generous gift were such a surprise.

The coffee hour afterwards gave me another chance to see you, say a few words and a goodbye, and for you to do the same. What an unforgettable Sunday! But of course, I could never forget this wonderful church and its very special people.

I am saving the gift you so generously gave for a time of travel, so that my daughter and I can get away for a few days to a place by the sea.

Please know that I will always have a special place in my heart for Madison. Thank you for the privilege of serving as your pastor. May God bless you and your new pastor that will soon be with you as you go together into God's future.

With gratitude and great affection,
Jacqui

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome Reverend Karen Brostrom as our guest pastor today. Karen is a retired minister currently living in Keyport, NJ. She is a graduate of the University of Delaware and Princeton Theological Seminary. Karen has served congregations in New Jersey, Maryland, Ohio, Colorado and Mississippi as an interim minister. Currently, she is serving as Parish Associate at FPC in Matawan, NJ.

Karen enjoys all kinds of needle arts, gardening and keeping in touch with Christian camping events, especially at Johnsonburg. Her son and his family, including her 16-year-old granddaughter, live in Ohio. Her sisters are here in New Jersey.

PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE

Session is serving as the search committee for a new covenant supply pastor. This is the position that Jacqui Van Vliet held since July 2020 and retired from on April 30th.

We have created a job description that has been posted on a job website for the 15 presbyteries that serve the greater New York City and Philadelphia metro region, including all of New Jersey. We have created our Ministry Discernment Profile which is posted on the national Church Leadership Connection website. All interested pastors will first contact Jeanne Radak, leader of Highlands Presbytery, who knows our church well and will be able to determine if a potential candidate will be a good fit.

We will have guest pulpit supply pastors. The Presbytery Committee on Ministry has appointed a Session moderator so that Session can continue to do business.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact any member of Session: Jim Burnet, Stephanie Haedrich, Mary-Anna Holden, Becky Moody, Megan Peterson, and Yorgi Vlamis.

PRAYER LIST

- Peace and non-violent protesting on college campuses as students protest the war in Gaza
- Sue Murr Haas recovering from hip replacement surgery
- Kiarnan who recently moved to a group residential facility
- Linda who is undergoing cancer surgery
- Pat Howard who may need back surgery
- Evelyn Dowling who is recovering from surgery for tears in her retina
- Jim Kakalettris, father of Jennifer Kakalettris Boyar, who is continuing recovery from recent surgery
- Larry who is receiving new treatment for cancer
- Father of Madison Patrolman Capillas as he continues his rehabilitation from burns
- Bill, father of Sara Burnet, and for his wife, Jeri Ann
- Zoelle, diagnosed with a serious form of breast cancer
- Philip, who recently moved to Sunrise Assisted Living
- Ongoing war between Ukraine and Russia; continuing work toward peace; continuing release of captured soldiers from both sides
- Continuing loss of life in Gaza from ongoing war between Israel and Hamas; release of hostages held by Hamas and work toward peaceful ending
- William Christopher continuing recovery from surgery
- Deborah for healing from grief and to feel joy in her heart
- Pat for a new job
- Esther for healing as she goes through cancer treatment
- Len who is battling cancer
- Ed for continued healing from a serious leg break
- Ben who is back in middle school after cancer treatment

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1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet

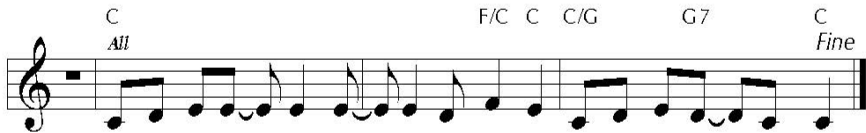
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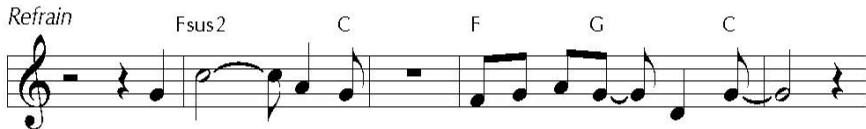
We Will Go Out with Joy 539



1 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.
 2 Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.
 3 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.



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Al - le - lu - ia! We will go out with joy.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Drawing on the phrasing of Isaiah 55:12, this joyful sending hymn was created by a musical Canadian father and daughter, beginning with the tune that emerged from a four-hand piano improvisation. The completed hymn later served as the recessional music for her wedding.

WELCOMING ALL
AS A LOVING COMMUNITY
CENTERED IN CHRIST,
GROWING IN FAITH,
SERVING IN JOY, AND
LIVING IN GRATITUDE

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