



“THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE HOME”: WEST END PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

### GATHERING UNDER THE OAKS

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.*

**Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into God's presence with singing.**

*Know that the Lord is God.*

**It is God who made us,  
we are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.**

*Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise.*

**Give thanks to God,  
Bless God's holy name.**

*For the Lord is good;*

**God's steadfast love endures forever,  
And God's faithfulness to all generations!**

JAYNE LEE, LITURGIST

Before this morning's worship service begins, please greet one another in Christian love, taking special care to welcome those who you do not know. May all who enter know that West End Presbyterian Church is a warm and welcoming congregation.

**EVERYONE IS REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK** during worship and all other indoor and outdoor functions at the church. We will continue to refrain from congregational singing.

Please join in reading those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body and/or spirit.

Please sign the attendance sheet located in the Narthex.

Children of all ages are invited to join us on the steps during a time for the child in us all.

Before reading from the Bible, we seek the illumination of the Holy Spirit and call upon God to make us receptive to the life-giving Word that comes to us through both the reading and proclamation of Scripture.

**PROCESSIONAL**    **“HIGHLAND CATHEDRAL”**  
WILLIAM CAUDILL, BAGPIPES

ROEVER & KORB/ARR. JAMES D. WETHERALD

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**INVOCATION**

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of sanctuary, we confess that in the days that have passed, we have been at odds with you. When the world shut down, and when we closed our sanctuary doors, it was hard to figure out how to keep the doors of our hearts open. We associate you with this building and this building with home. These unsettling months have made us question everything we thought we knew about worship, community, fellowship and service. In the days to come, remind us of all the ways you made your steadfast love and faithfulness known in this season. May these reminders give us courage to face what lies ahead. For you never failed or forsook us. Send your Spirit to deal gently with our homesick souls and to guide us lovingly into the future.

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

*Friends, this is the Good News:*

**In Christ, God brings us back to our true home, to hope, to love and to life.**

*Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL**

REV. MAGGIE BEAMGUARD

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD**

**THE WORD READ**

PSALM 84

PAGE 513, OT, PEW BIBLE

*The Word of God for the People of God.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**“LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING”** ARR. MITCHELL & SANDRA EITHUN  
HANDBELL CHOIR

**THE WORD READ**

JOHN 14:1-7

PAGE 102, NT, PEW BIBLE

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

REV. MAGGIE BEAMGUARD

THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE HOME: WELCOMED "HOME, SWEET HOME"

### SPECIAL MUSIC

"YOU RAISE ME UP"

BRENDAN GRAHAM & ROLF LØVLAND

LOGAN CIOKAN, SOLOIST

### ✦ 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.

### 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

### OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

## WE FOLLOW GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

### ✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of grace, we give thanks for your faithfulness to us. We give thanks for your hope in Us. We rejoice in the knowledge of your unending grace. In the light of your mercy, and confident in your love, we dedicate our offerings, and ourselves, to you. Amen.

### ✦ DOXOLOGY

### ✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### ✦ POSTLUDE

"THE HEIGHT OF DARGAI"

ROBERT WALLACE/ARR. JAMES D. WETHERALD

WILLIAM CAUDILL, BAGPIPES

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of our return to the Sanctuary.

As you leave worship today, you are invited to place your offering in the offering plates found at the exits.



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