

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY **WEST END PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 | 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Carolyn Jarvis

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"PASTORALE"

PASTOR T. WES

JASON W. KRUG

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.

Please pass the Friendship Pads down the pew to your neighbor.

CALL TO WORSHIP

JENNY MABRY, LITURGIST

Here God speaks to us words of challenge and comfort.

Here Jesus stands among us, calling us to acts of mercy.

Even now, the Holy Spirit is moving in our midst,

filling us with hope and inspiring us to faithfulness.

Let us worship God, ever Three and ever One.

Let us praise God's holy name together!

✠HYMN NO. 309

"COME, GREAT GOD OF ALL THE AGES"

ABBOT'S LEIGH

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, you open your heart to those in need, and to your aching creation. We confess we often turn away so that we do not have to see pain, suffering or injustice, right before our eyes. We don't like to feel uncomfortable or pressed into service. Forgive us and give us courage to love others as you love us and reach out with the care we have witnessed in Jesus.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The prophet Micah declared that God requires of us three things: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God. To all who repent, who act for justice and seek to serve God and neighbor in kindness, God offers forgiveness and peace. **Alleluia! Amen!**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

HYMN OF WELCOMING

"WHERE CHILDREN BELONG"

RITCHIE

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.**

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

ELIZABETH NIX

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD READ

PSALM 91

PAGE 518, OT, PEW BIBLE

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"ON EAGLE'S WINGS"

MICHAEL JONCAS/ARR. MARK HAYES

THE WORD READ

JEREMIAH 32:1-15

PAGE 692, OT, PEW BIBLE

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"NEW LIFE"

PASTOR T.WES

WEARING A MASK during worship is optional. They are located at each entrance for your convenience.

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.

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE CONFESSION OF 1967 (9.18-9.19)

God expressed love for all humankind through Israel, whom God chose to be a covenant people to serve him in love and faithfulness. When Israel was unfaithful, God disciplined the nation with judgment and maintained the covenant through prophets, priests, teachers, and true believers. These witnesses called all Israelites to a destiny in which they would serve God faithfully and become a light to the nations. The same witnesses proclaimed the coming of a new age, and a true servant of God in whom God's purpose of Israel and for humanity would be realized. Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus. His faith and obedience were the response of the perfect child of God. He was the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel, the beginning of the new creation, and the pioneer of the new humanity. He gave history its meaning and direction and called the church to be his servant for the reconciliation of the world.

✦ HYMN NO. 450

"BE THOU MY VISION"

SLANE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

"FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH"

ARR. MARK HAYES

✦ DOXOLOGY NO. 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

1 CHRONICLES 29:11

Yours, O Lord, are grandeur and power, majesty, splendor, and glory.

All in the heavens and on the earth is yours, and of your own we give you. Amen!

The Presbyterian Church (USA) is a confessional church. Confessional means to declare, acknowledge, or affirm what Christians hold to be true. The twelve confessional documents that make up the Book of Confessions: Part I of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (USA) point to the oldest confession in Christianity, which is "Jesus Christ is LORD". When we recite together the Affirmation of Faith, we are rising up together in body or in spirit by responding as one what we declare to be true as our ancestors in every time and place did before us.

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.

WE FOLLOW GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN NO. 547

"GO, MY CHILDREN WITH MY BLESSING"

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✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE

"HE IS EXALTED"

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