

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Gathering

PRELUDE *Jesus Loves Me* arr. Jason Payne

WELCOME *Please sign the fellowship pad*

*CALL TO WORSHIP Ephesians 1:3-8

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. . . .

In love He destined us to be adopted as his children through Jesus Christ . . . to the praise of his glorious grace,
which he has freely given us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins,
according to the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us.

Let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven* #619

CALL TO CONFESSION

We often get lost, wandering off the path of faith. Through this time of confession, let us redirect ourselves and return to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we turn from you and frequently lose our way. We get ourselves so turned around by temptations that seduce and steal our hearts. We excuse our mistakes and missteps with arguments that just don't add up. Forgive us. Find us. Restore us as your people. Amen.

(Prayers continue in silence)

SUNG RESPONSE *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* #471

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.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON from the Book of Common Worship

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Word

TIME WITH CHILDREN Children are invited to gather up front
Back to School Litany

Leader: When it's the night before going to school, and I'm picking out my clothes and making sure I have all my homework done...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I'm waking up and eating a healthy breakfast to start the day...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I'm getting on the school bus, being driven to school, driving myself, biking or walking...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I am learning in my classroom and meeting new friends...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I'm playing with my friends at recess or hanging out with them in between classes ...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I'm eating my lunch or taking a test...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I am having a good day or a bad day...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I'm telling my family about my day at school...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: When I'm praying at night and thanking God for my family, my friends and my school...

All: **God is with me.**

Leader: Let's pray...

(Children ages 0-2nd grade will be in the Kid's Room. 3rd- 5th grade will be in the Elementary Room. Youth will be in the Youth Room)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 14

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God. They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon the Lord? There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous.

You would confound the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge.

O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

New Testament Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

SERMON "The God of a Second Chance" Rev. David Mote

*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.

*HYMN *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #610

Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Children's Medley* arr. Mark Hayes

*SUNG RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #581

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending of God's Word

*CLOSING HYMN *Amazing Grace* #649

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* arr. John S. Dixon

TODAY, Sept 11th is RALLY DAY! Youth and Kids bring your backpacks for a blessing! Sunday School also starts today!

ANNUAL CORN FEED- The Men's Breakfast Group will host the annual Fall Corn Feed. Sunday evening Sept 11th at 5:00pm ... and all are invited to attend. Any donations will be passed on to our church Deacons Fund. Fresh corn from a local farm (picked fresh that morning), hamburgers, salads and ice cream. All are welcome !!!

Presbyterian Women: Our first meetings will be Thursday Sept. 14th . The 1:30 pm meeting will be led by Peggy Mahon and the 5:30 pm evening group by Julia Frederick. Books are available for \$10.00 in the office.

Westminster Women in service and social events will meet at 5:30 pm on Thursday Sept. 22nd. Dinner will be provided.

Being God's People Adult Bible class on Deuteronomy 1-11 Starting TODAY, Sept. 11-Oct. 30, 2022. Led by Jack Maddex. Study guide and information was emailed or you can pick up a copy in the Meeting Room during the class.

Looking Forward:

9/18 Coffee Hour: Meet The Westminster Choir

9/25 Coffee Hour: Meet Your Deacon

10/9 Coffee Hour: Welcome Home, Welcome Back to honor the Ukropina's return

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 9/11/2022

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Coffee Hour: hosted by: Emilie York
5:00 pm AA Meeting (Meeting Room)

Monday 9/12/2022

Tuesday 9/13/2022

11:00 am WPC Knitter's (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 9/14/2022

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group at Countryside Pizza & Grill
10:30 am Pioneer Quilters (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday 9/15/2022

Friday 9/16/2022- Church Office Closed

Saturday 9/17/2022- Church Office Closed

Leading in worship today:

Pulpit Supply: Rev. David Mote

Liturgist: Jennifer Stanton

Organist: Larry Brown

Usher/Greeter: Mike Bagaason, Kyle Coats, Judy Coats

Counters: Anita Brown and Darlene Valtinson

Coffee Hour: Emilie York

Sunday School: Katie Marwitz and Brooke Irvin

Next Sunday:

Pulpit Supply: Rev. David Mote

Liturgist: Jack Maddex

Organist: Larry Brown

Usher/Greeter: Gene Heinle, Keith Barr, Sue Martichuski

Counters: Eileen Sanders and Julia Frederick

Coffee Hour: Westminster's Choir

David Mote was born in Tucson, AZ and grew up in California. He received his B. A. from Harvard College and studied the ministry at Union Theological Seminary in New York. David was ordained by the Presbytery of Western Colorado and served as a pastor in Colorado, Utah, and California. He also served as interim pastor in Seattle, Richmond, CA, and at the Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, San Francisco. David moved to Oregon 10 1/2 years ago to be the interim pastor in Albany and has since served as interim here at WPC and at Westminster, Salem. He's now enjoying retirement. In addition to spending time with his two children and five grandchildren, he enjoys hiking, long bicycle rides, reading, and cooking.



**14th Sunday after Pentecost
September 11, 2022
10:00 am**

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