

Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church

*A joyful community, gathered by God's grace,
sharing Christ's love with all.*



He Vanished From Their Sight by Harold Copping

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

5th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2020

10:30 a.m.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY (Based upon *Psalms 90:1, 12*)

God of grace and wisdom, you have been our refuge in all generations. Teach us to count our days, we pray, so that we may gain wise hearts, and live in your kingdom now and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"
Suzann Barthold, Organ

Sleeth

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

For everything there is a season, and a time for everything under heaven.

Now is the time of God's favor; now is the day of salvation.

A time to be born and a time to die, a time to break down, and a time to build up.

I waited patiently for the Lord, and God heard my cry, bring me up out of the miry pit.

A time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing.

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship God!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Based upon a prayer by Samuel H. Miller, Harvard Divinity School)

O God, for this day's sins, grant us mercy: for sloth that wasted the hours or for haste which outran its benedictions; for fear that frustrated bold hopes or dullness that took everything for granted; for anger that burst forth destructively or indifference that smothered the soul; for suspicion wrongly held or for trust cheaply betrayed; for indecision which avoided the evil or for compromise which disguised it.

Cleanse us and fill us with your Holy Spirit, so that you will be our pace setter and priority maker, our source of wisdom and direction, this day and every day through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(A time for silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

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, Amen.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

"A Scottish Blessing / Let All Things Now Living"
Dottie LaPenta, Harp

Trad. Scottish/Welsh

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Numbers 9:15-23; OT Page 127

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 1:6-11; NT Page 118

SERMON

"Is This the Time?"

Rev. Elizabeth D. McLean

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*A Declaration of Faith* 1977; Ch. 10, ¶2)

All things will be renewed in Christ. In Christ God gave us a glimpse of the new creation he has already begun and will surely finish. We do not know when the final day will come. In our time we see only broken and scattered signs that the renewal of all things is under way. We do not yet see the end of cruelty and suffering in the world, the church, or our own lives. But we see Jesus as Lord. As he stands at the center of our history, we are confident he will stand at its end. He will judge all people and nations. Evil will be condemned and rooted out of God's good creation. There will be no more tears or pain. All things will be made new. The fellowship of human beings with God and each other will be perfected.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer family of the week: Roger and Patti Shull

Prayer institution of the week: Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"If Thou but Trust in God to Guide You"
Suzann Barthold, Organ

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Welcome to Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church!

If you are looking for a friendly church...

- † where you will be loved and accepted regardless of your age, class, race, ethnicity or orientation...
- † where you will be challenged to reflect on your beliefs, acknowledge your doubts, ask your questions, and grow in your faith...
- † where God's desire for compassion, healing, reconciliation, justice and joy is preached...
- † where you are given the opportunity to put your faith into action through effective outreach ministries...

Then we hope to get to know you as a new friend at Prince of Peace. No matter who you are, or where you are in your life journey, you are welcome here! Join us and discover how much you are loved, how gifted you are, and how together, we can experience and share the kingdom of God here and now.

On behalf of everyone at Prince of Peace, WELCOME! We're glad you've found your way here today, and we hope you had a meaningful encounter with God while you were with us. Prince of Peace is a living faith community inspired by the Spirit of God, joyfully encouraging all and collectively committed to serving and caring for one another, praising God through worship, music, and mission, imparting to our children a love and understanding of Christ, welcoming all of God's people without prejudice or judgement, and growing together in numbers and in the likeness and grace of Christ.

If there is anything that we can do to make your visit more meaningful, or if there are any questions we can answer, please do not hesitate to let me know. I look forward to the chance to meet you following worship, and hope you will take a moment to introduce yourself.

Once again, welcome – we're glad you're here!

In Christ,
Pastor Elizabeth D. McLean

If you are in need of prayer, you may call Deacon Carolyn Kuffel (301-464-0623) with your prayer request, and the Prayer Support Team will lift these concerns in prayer.

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The church office is open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

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Parish Associate	Rev. Dorothy LaPenta
Director of Music • Assistant Organist	Suzann Barthold • Betsy Lord
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