

# Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church

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



# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2020

10:30 a.m.

## PRAYER FOR THE DAY

O God, inspire us, your people, with your will and your way. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, so that, amidst all of the changes of this world, our hearts and minds may be fixed where truth and joy are found, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PRELUDE

"Largo"  
Don Burleson, Recorder

Mancini

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### CALL TO WORSHIP (Based upon *Psalms* 96)

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**Declare the glory of the Lord among the nations and the wonders of the Lord among all peoples.**

For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; God is to be revered above all gods.

**For all the gods of the nations are but idols, but it is the Lord who made the heavens.**

Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

**Say among the nations: "The Lord is sovereign! The Lord has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved and will judge the peoples with equity."**

## HYMN (GTG) 450

"Be Thou My Vision"  
Verses 1 and 2

(Slane)

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we are often frightened and humbled by what we see happening in the world. Forgive us for the times we allow those feelings to respond to events without faith or love. Forgive us for the times we pick the comfortable over the courageous, the convenient over the true. Forgive us for giving greater loyalty to our idols than to you, and valuing our desires over the needs of our neighbors. By your Spirit, inspire and cleanse us so that we will feel called to serve you above all others. Help us at all times and circumstances to stand for the justice, mercy, and love embodied by our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray in his name. *(A time for silent confession)*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### GLORIA PATRI

*Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 1:8-2:10; OT Page 49

### SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 17:14-19; NT Page 111

## SERMON

"In but Not of the World"

Rev. Elizabeth D. McLean

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”  
Ruth Andrasco, Voice

Thompson

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*A Declaration of Faith* 1977; Ch. 9, select lines from ¶13 and ¶15)

**We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule. Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race, or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time.... Jesus announced the coming of God's kingdom and its hidden presence in the midst of the world's kingdoms. He taught his disciples to seek God's kingdom first.... We are in the world, but not of the world. Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world, but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Prayer family of the week:** George and Darlene Miller

**Prayer institution of the week:** Harundale Presbyterian Church (Glen Burnie, MD)

**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**

“Allegro”  
Don Burtleson, Recorder

Mancini

## 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.

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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

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*If you are in need of prayer, you may call Deacon Valerie Mentzer (410-562-2726) 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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