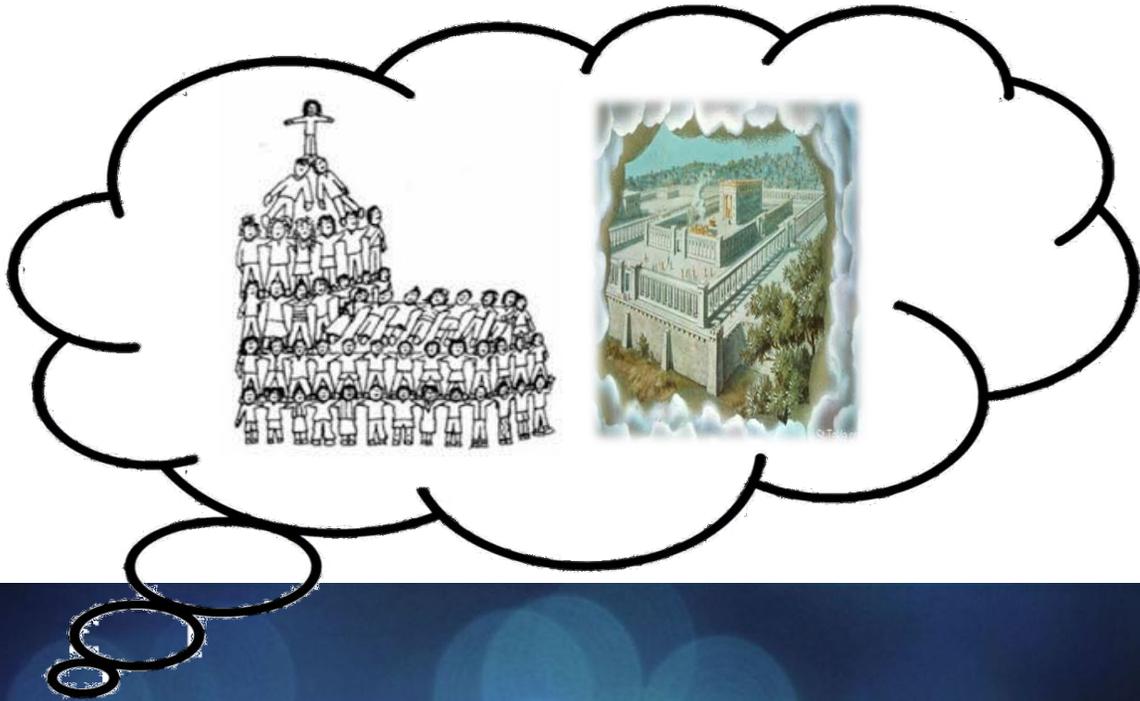


Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church

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



SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Reformation Sunday | Stewardship Sunday

October 25, 2020

10:30 a.m.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Holy God, in this time and place we prepare to meet you as your body, the Church. We acknowledge you as our head. We anticipate your Spirit moving among us. We await your Word, knowing that through it our lives and loves will be reordered. Come to us in power to confront, convict, and comfort us, for we are your people, and you are our God. Come abide with us, for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Luther

Ruth Andrasco, Nicole Campbell, Cory Gimperling, and Denise Smith, Chimes

LIFE OF THE CHURCH – Minute for Stewardship, Nicole Campbell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come let us gather and worship the Lord our Maker, Savior, and Sustainer!

Christ has called us here, and invites us into a living, trusting relationship.

We are the Church! God needs our hands and hearts and voices. God wants to employ our talents for the common good.

The Spirit of God is continuously offering new opportunities to us to grow in faith and heal the world.

Let us give thanks to the Lord for the blessings we have been given.

Let us honor our Savior by being blessings for all who dwell in God’s Creation.

Let us be the people we were made and saved to be!

Let us worship God!

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Holden/Young

Nicole Campbell, Flute

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in Christ you have blessed us beyond measure and set us apart for service not privilege. But we confess that we have been reluctant to align our priorities with your plan. We have believed the world’s message of “not enough” more than your gospel of abundance. We have seen your call as a burden more than a blessing, and the Church as a means to serve our own needs more than the needs of others. We have put self-interest before Christ’s interests in the world. Forgive us. By your Spirit, free us from fear and selfishness so that we may be faithful stewards of your abundant grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *(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

Ezekiel 40:1-5; 43:1-7a; OT Page 809

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 2:19-22; NT Page 193

SERMON

“House of Belonging, Temple of God” Rev. Elizabeth D. McLean

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

“Grazioso”

arr. Anderson

Ruth Andrasco, Nicole Campbell, Cory Gimperling, and Denise Smith, Chimes

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Confession of 1967* inclusive language version; ¶9.32 and 9.33)

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church’s own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of human life in society and of God’s victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer family of the week: Walt, Amy, Daniel, and Karen Lindberg

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

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 Joyce Beall (410-451-6731) with your prayer request, and the Prayer Support Team will lift these concerns in prayer.

Today's liturgist is Nicole Campbell.

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