



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF PORTLAND

Service for the Lord's Day

Please remember to silence your cell phone. 

Welcome to worship at FPC! Masks are no longer required for worship or church activities. Those who wish to continue masking are welcome to do so.

July 10, 2022

*Fifth Sunday after
Pentecost*

The Gathering

PRELUDE

Prelude on *Ubi caritas*
Prelude on *Chereponi*

Gerald Near
Robert J. Powell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Love Is the Touch

John L. Bell

Love is the touch of intangible joy; love is the force that no fear can destroy;
love is the goodness we gladly applaud: God is where love is, for love is of God.

Love is the light in the tunnel of pain; love is the will to be whole once again;
love is the trust of a friend on the road: God is where love is, for love is of God.

Love is the Maker and Spirit and Son; love is the kingdom their will has begun;
love is the path which the saints all have trod: God is where love is, for love is of God.

— Alison M. Robertson, 1998

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in this place to experience the love of God.

We love because God has first loved us.

We hear the voice of Christ,

calling us to love our neighbors as ourselves.

We celebrate the Spirit among us,

moving us to compassion and justice.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice in it and be glad.



** Please stand as you are able.*



* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
you have taught us through Christ
that love fulfills the law.
May we love you with all our heart and soul
and mind and strength,
and help us to love our neighbor as ourselves;
through Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

* HYMN #624 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art TOULON

* INVITATION TO CONFESSION

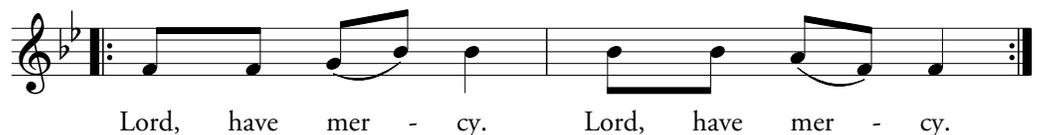
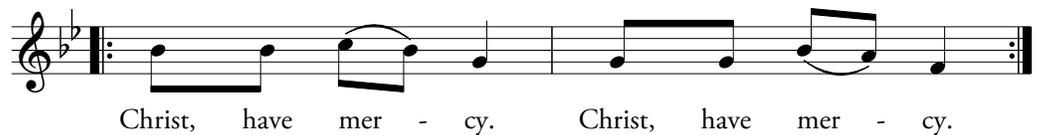
* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, we pray that our lives may be worthy of your calling.
Forgive us when our preoccupation with our own concerns
hinders our hearing the cries of those in need,
when our resignation to the way things are
dulls our desire to work for a better world.
Christ our Lord, open our hearts to love as you love,
to bear the burdens of those in need or pain.
Holy Spirit, give us your eyes
to see those around us in any kind of need
as neighbors of yours, and of ours.

Our prayers continue in silence.

* LORD, HAVE MERCY

Cantor first, then ALL



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*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Scripture assures us that though we were yet sinners,
Christ died for us.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!



*** RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

THAXTED

O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day
and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can-not re - pay;
for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,
at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end:
we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up-on your Word,
we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might-y Lord.

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*** SHARING THE PEACE**

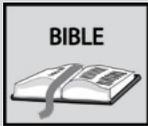
Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we are also to forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you!

Please take a moment to be thankful for God's peace.

The Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 1:3-4, 9-14 Pew Bible, pg. 199 (NT)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

God Be in My Head

Philip Wilby

God be in my head, and in my understanding;

God be in my eyes, and in my looking;

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;

God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at mine end, and at my departing.

— *Sarum Primer, 1514*

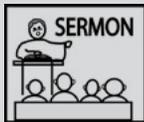
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37

Pew Bible, pg. 71 (NT)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



SERMON

“Having a Heart”

Rev. Dr. Audrey Schindler

* **HYMN #766**

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

MCKEE

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from the Confession of 1967

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ
has set the pattern for the church's mission.**

His life as one of us involves the church in our common life.

**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 suffering,
so that it sees the face of Christ**

in the faces of those in every kind of need.

OFFERTORY

When the Poor Ones

arr. David Cherwien

When the poor ones who have nothing still are giving;

when the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;

when the wounded offer others strength and healing;

we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

When compassion gives the suffering consolation;

when expecting brings to birth hope that was lost;

when we choose love, not the hatred all around us;

we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness;

when our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth;

when our longings, free from envy, seek the humble;

we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings;
when the nations work to change war into peace;
when the stranger is accepted as our neighbor:
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

— José Antonio Olivar; 1971; trans. Martin A. Seltz, 1998

Thank you for your faithful support of the church and Christ's ongoing ministry. You may give through the church website or mail your check to the church office. Those attending worship are invited to leave gifts in the offering plates as they leave the sanctuary.

* DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

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* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.

The Sending

* HYMN #307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude on *Cwm Rhondda*

Paul Manz



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**WORSHIP
LEADERS**

Rev. Dr. Audrey Schindler, Pastor
Rev. David Dornack, Parish Associate
Rev. Carmen Goetschius, Parish Associate
Greg Homza, Director of Music Ministries
Deborah Resley, Lay Reader

**PRAYERS OF
THE PEOPLE**

We join in holding in prayer:

Kathy Callas, Liz Dean, Ed & Janice Gehrig, Herb Grose, Fran Hermanson,
Myra Rounsavell, Tom Showalter, and others facing illness and loss.

If you would like your name added to the prayer section of the weekly bulletin, or confidential prayers,
please contact the church office at office@firstpresportland.org or by phone at (503) 228-7331.

**SANCTUARY
FLOWERS**

*The sanctuary flowers today are in loving memory of Velma Faries Berry and
Charles Edward Faries, Sr., parents of Charles Edward Faries, Jr.*

**IN
MEMORIAM**

*Our prayers and sympathy are with the family and friends of Walt Meihoff,
who died on July 5.*

*The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and
for evermore. (Psalm 121:8)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zoom Coffee Hour Today After Worship!

Those who are worshipping online are invited to a Zoom coffee hour today following the service, from 11:35 am to noon. The Zoom link is: <https://bit.ly/FPCCoffeeHour>

Youth! Looking For a Meaningful Job in the Fall?

Consider applying to serve as an intern with our children's ministry program on Sunday mornings. Applications and job descriptions may be found on the church website and hard copies are in the church office. The internship begins September 11 and applications are due to Pastor Carmen by Monday, July 11. Email goetschius@firstpresportland.org for more information.

FPC 2022 Photo Directory

We are in the process of putting together a new photo directory for the FPC congregation - and we need your help! We are asking folks to submit their own photos for the directory. Photo guidelines can be found in the June/July SPIRE. The photo deadline is August 1.

Questions? Contact Jennifer at communications@firstpresportland.org

Walk the Wildwood Registration Now Open!

Reminder: If you plan to join Walk the Wildwood, and if you'd like to get the optional T-shirt, time is running out. If you want the T-shirt, you must register by noon on July 13 at pim-africa.org/walk-oregon. Walk the Wildwood happens on the morning of Saturday, August 13 at Washington Park. All proceeds go to building a modern carpentry/welding shop at the Kamwenge (Uganda) Secondary and Vocational School. Questions? Contact Kathryn Hill (hillka@teleport.com) for more information.

All Church Labor Day Retreat, September 2-4

Step away from your usual responsibilities and join other FPC folks for a weekend of fresh air, fun, conversations, delicious meals, and the opportunity to experience God's presence among us. The program, called "Sharing our Stories" is for all ages. After our lengthy pandemic separation, spending some time together again to re-connect is important. Plus, it will be fun! If you can't stay for the whole weekend, sign up for Saturday and/or for the BBQ lunch on Sunday. Kids from birth to age 6 attend for free. See our website for all prices: choose the level that fits your situation. Don't let the cost a barrier - the session has approved funds to help all interested members attend. Questions: contact Ann Walsh, registrar (ann.walsh@gmail.com). Register at: www.firstpresportland.org/news-and-events

New Art in the Chapel - Opening Reception Today!

Join us in the Chapel following worship service from 11:30-1:00 pm for the opening reception of *Now is the Time: Images of Life* from artists Leslie Pohl-Kosbau and Jo Marie Ray. The artwork will be on display until August 28.

New Security for Geneva Hall

In order to provide a safer FPC campus for our members and guests, we have installed new security on the south door leading to Geneva Hall from the parking structure. This interior door will now be locked outside of business hours, and members/guests must have a keycard or fob to access the church. The door will be unlocked as follows: Weekdays from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturdays from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm, and Sundays from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Congregational Nominating Committee

The Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) is soliciting nominations for Elders, Deacons, and CNC members for the next year. To put forth names or self-nominate, please contact Amy Wood at awood6961@gmail.com or Pastor Brenna at bdykman@firstpresportland.org

Kids Sunday School On Summer Break

The nursery will be open for the littles and if your older elementary kiddos need a space to spread out, please send them to the nursery as well where we'll have games, crafts, and quiet activities in their own corner of that space.

Soft Goods Fundraiser Continues

We had such a good turnout for our Soft Goods offerings (**see details below*) that we are extending our collection. Items are being resold/recycled through a local thrift store and our youth will receive monetary compensation for each pound collected. Funds go to support youth mission trips! Bags of items can be left under the Soft Goods sign in Geneva Hall at any time. For more information, contact bdykman@gmail.com.

**All clothing including (men's, women's, children's), clothing accessories (hats, mittens, scarves, ties, nylons, socks, underwear), personal accessories (purses, wallets, fanny packs, bags), bed and bath (towels, sheets, blankets, pillows, curtains, tablecloths), shoes (all types) and other cloth materials. Please make sure items are washed before donating.*

Whether a visitor or member, you can use both sides of the blue "Welcome" card in the pew rack to notify FPC staff of your presence and/or needs. Please place the completed card in an offering plate at the exit doors.

Watching the livestream? A digital version of the "Welcome" card is available on the website.



The Good Samaritan
Henry Scott Tuke (1858-1929)



LOVE GOD.
LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

Vision Statement:

We commit to be a church that is:

Engaged. A forward-thinking and involved congregation committed to each other and to the wider community.

Inclusive. A faith community that affirms and welcomes all people.

Compassionate. A congregation that follows in Christ's way, advancing the well-being and dignity of all people, working for a just and equitable society, and caring for all creation.

Faithful. Living our faith authentically with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love while expanding the circle where God's love is known.

PRINCIPAL CHURCH STAFF

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