PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Community Renewed

Welcome, we are glad you are here!

July 21, 2019

WELCOME TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of MADISON

Relax. We're glad to have you, just as you are. We believe Jesus Christ teaches us that, so we really mean it. You're a child of God and you're safe here, no matter what.

Each one of us is in a different place on this life journey. The person next to you may be here for the first time, or they may have been born into a family in our church for generations. We're all continually learning, growing, and evolving as we connect in the Spirit with the rest of the world.

Children in church make squirmy joyful noises to the Lord! Babies cry! Relax about all that, too. If you wish, safe childcare is available for 4 and under. Your greeter will be happy to show you the way.

Please stick around after church for a few minutes if you have the time. We have refreshments and fellowship time in the lobby area. It's a great way to get acquainted!

Check out the box below for how it all works. We're all different, together, and God isn't finished with us. Come and see!

Scott Foster, Pastor

*Stand in body or spirit. **Bold - Everything is said in unison.** *Italics - We all sing.* After children's message, K-5 escape to Sunday School. Please share your info with us using the card in the pew. Write prayer requests in the book at the back of the church.

ORDER of WORSHIP Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

To make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations...has now been revealed to [the] saints. — Colossians 1:25b-26 (NRSV)

THE GATHERING

Praise Music (A time of centering and preparation for worship. Please silence all electronic devices.)

Introit

Welcome

"Let us prepare our hearts to worship God..."

* Be Thou My Vision (v. 1,2,4)

(The tune for the hymn is at the back of this booklet.) **VERSE 1:**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light. VERSE 2:

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;

raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power. VERSE 4:

High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Van DeVenter/Wheeden

I Surrender All VFRSF 1: All to Jesus I surrender All to Him I freely give I will ever love and trust Him In His presence daily live CHORUS: I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all VFRSF 2: All to Jesus I surrender Humbly at His feet I bow Worldly pleasures all forsaken Take me Jesus take me now VERSE 3: All to Jesus I surrender Make me Savior wholly Thine Let me feel the Holy Spirit Truly know that Thou art mine VFRSF 4: All to Jesus I surrender Lord I give myself to Thee Fill me with Thy love and power Let Thy blessing fall on me VERSE 5: All to Jesus I surrender Now I feel the sacred flame O the joy of full salvation Glory glory to His name

Opening Prayer

Grant us this day, O God, may your kingdom come near. Give us the chance to sit at your feet, to enjoy every word and every musical note. Grant us your presence. Come Holy Spirit, come. Even so, come Lord Jesus. Amen.

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins together, God is faithful and just. The Lord will forgive us and wash away our unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

Prayer of Confession

Great I AM, hear the prayers of your people. We come to worship falling short of your expectations. We make our own false idols: our careers, our money, our status, our things. Forgive us! Help us to seek your kin-dom and not things of this world. Draw near and surround us in your Spirit always in all ways. O Lord, hear our prayers...

Redman/Myrin

Response You Alone Can Rescue Who O Lord could save themselves Their own soul could heal Our shame was deeper than the sea Your grace is deeper still

(Silence is kept for our personal prayers of confession.) One: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. 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. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed and restored!

Redman/Myrin

Response You Alone Can Rescue You alone can rescue You alone can save You alone can lift us from the grave You came down to find us led us out of death To You alone belongs the highest praise. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Praver for Illumination

Gracious God, open our hearts and minds to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own. We have come to be filled with new insight into your word. Enlighten us. Open our minds, hearts, and eyes to new vision. Release our spirits with renewal in the Word. Amen.

Epistle Reading Colossians 1:15-28 (N.T. pg. 188)

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; 16 for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-all things have been created through him and for him. 17He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything, ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, 20and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, 22he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-23 provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

24I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's

afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Music All Good Gifts featuring Chad Marge

Young People's Message

Gospel Reading Luke 10:38-42

(N.T. pg. 67)

³⁸Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Sermon "Martha, Martha, Martha!"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* The Church's One Foundation (v. 1.2.3) (The tune for the hymn is at the back of this booklet.) VFRSF 1: The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord. She is his new creation by water and the word. From heaven he came and sought her to be his holv bride. With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died. VFRSF 2: Elect from every nation. yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord. one faith. one birth. One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued. VERSE 3: Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed. yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

* Affirmation of Faith (from Romans 8)

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and of death. If God is for us, who is against us? The Lord, who did not withhold God's own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will the Lord not with him also give us everything else? We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People/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.

Announcements

Invitation to Discipleship

Offering

Offertory

* Doxology

(The tune for the Doxology is at the back of this booklet.) Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all people here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!

* Prayer of Dedication

Amazing God of all, bless our time, talent, and resources to see lives transformed, families strengthened, and our community renewed through intentional relationship with Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOING FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

* Be Thou My Vision (Reprise)

(The tune for the hymn is at the back of this booklet.) VERSE 1: Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

- * Charge and Benediction (Please join hands.)
- * Passing of the Peace and Postlude

WORSHIP NOTES

Welcome Chad Marge—thank you for singing today! And thanks Corinne Bowen for being our reader. We're grateful to you both for sharing your gifts. And thanks to our talented worship leadership team of players, singers, and bell ringers!

What gifts do you bring? Share with us! Joyful worship comes from the soul of our collective Spirit. Come find your voice or vision here! Come play, sing, ring bells, read, lead, serve communion. If you have a gift of the arts such as music, drama, dance, poetry, prose, painting, or sculpting for examples, please give some thought to sharing it in worship.

What a great blessing!

About Today's Worship

We are developing a more blended style of worship with new contemporary worship songs and music as well as our traditional hymns and pieces. All of our hymns are from the new Presbyterian hymnal *Glory to God* printed for you in the bulletin. The choir sings. We have organ music. The bell choir rings. We hear our students. We hear soloists. We hear the band. It's a mix, and we don't have everything in the same day—unless you want to skip lunch. We hope it touches you.

About Summer Worship

We move into our historic Webb Chapel in the summer for a more intimate setting and the air conditioning! Webb was built in 1888 exclusively to be a Sunday school space. In those days, the Sanctuary for the Presbyterian Church was across from our cemetery on Main Street (next to the Junior School) in what is now the Masonic Temple. Every Sunday for more than 40 years in all seasons of weather, the "Presbyterian parade" would flow out of worship in the sanctuary and down Main Street to Green Avenue to Webb Chapel for Sunday School. The Parish House was built in 1929 and Webb Chapel became our worship space until the "new" Sanctuary was completed in 1953.

About Today's Readings

We print the scripture readings in the bulletin, so you can follow along more easily. We also include the page numbers if you want to read from your pew Bible. Most Sundays, our readings are from that same New Revised Standard Version translation.

About Colossians 1:15-28

Paul's letter to the Colossians is not likely one of his authentic letters. Followers, students, and disciples of ancient teachers would often continue to work, writing in the pseudonym. This letter likely appeared long after Paul's death. There are some clear inconsistencies between the known authentic letters and this one. This is a hymn about the supremacy of Jesus Christ that likely speaks directly to a specific situation in the gentile church at Colossae which was located in the territory that is now Turkey.

About Luke 10:38-42

Literal interpretations of scripture are problematic if applied to current times without some cultural filters. For today, a key point is how women fit into the Gospel stories, especially as they interact with Jesus and the apostles. The women of ancient Palestine have virtually no social status. They are little more than slaves to the patriarchy of the day. Their entire lives are controlled by their fathers, husbands, and families. Even so, the hierarchy in their subculture from the bottom up may be: Slaves/Concubines, Daughters, Widows, Wives. Focus on Jesus and ignore the rest—is that the point of today's story? Maybe yes, maybe no.

About the Affirmation of Faith

Most of the time we mine the depths of our Book of Confessions for affirmations of faith including the traditional Apostles' Creed. All of the confessions are based on scripture and they build on the reformed tradition as the church changes and morphs through the ages. Sometimes a reading straight out of scripture speaks in direct affirmation of our faith in Jesus Christ. Today is one of those days. Romans is considered to be one of the authentic letters of the historic Apostle Paul.

Questions to Go

What does the better part look like for me? What distracts me from my purpose? What is my purpose?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Staff Breaks

Patrick — Aug.18th-25th (vacation) Scott — July 24th-31st (Doctoral Intensive at Drew University) Aug. 1st-11th (vacation)

The office will be closed Friday, July 26th.

RAMP Refugee Family Help

The refugee family is here! PCM supports families moving to Morris County to escape unrest in their home countries through Refugee Assistance Morris Partners (RAMP). This new refugee family comes to the area from Afghanistan. There are a variety of ways to volunteer to help them in the relocation process. Contact Gerry Gannon at mgannon@ webtv.net for more information.

Per Capita 2019

Each year PCM is assessed a per member fee to support the missions of the mid-level governing bodies (Presbytery and Synod) and the General Assembly of the PC(USA). Please consider covering this fee with a separate gift. It reduces the PCM budget line item by thousands if we all pitch in. The fee is \$37 per member, including youth who have been confirmed. For example: Per couple, \$74. Families with one youth, \$111 and so on. Covering the per capita frees up your pledges and offerings to the operations and missions of our church. Please note "per capita" on your check or envelope. Thank you!

Coffee with Scott

Pastor Scott hangs out at Drip Coffee every Thursday starting at 9am! Come get a shot of caffeine. Let's FIKA, solve world problems, see if you can melt an entire biscotti in a cup of tea—we actually get around to talking about Jesus. Crazy, right? Coffee with Scott will go on hiatus from 7/24-8/11 returning on Thursday Aug. 15th.

Mid-week Prayers/Communion

Non-stop through the summer! Join us in the Parlor every Wednesday morning at 7:10am for a come-and-go round of prayers and the Lord's Supper. It's a great mid-week touchstone, and you'll be on your way in 15 minutes. No kidding! Commuters, you'll easily make the 7:32. Pastor Scott leads. Mid-Week Prayers/Communion will not meet on Aug. 7th.

Feel the Breeze

This is the way to connect in PCM. Have you registered on Breeze? Breeze is the new church communication hub for everything PCM. We are fully implementing Breeze now. It's an easy interface—come learn how to use it Sundays after church in the lobby. Everything comes back to Breeze: Want to sign up for Bottle Hill Day? Breeze. Sign up for snacks on Sunday morning? Breeze. Be a reader in church? Breeze. It's all Breeze: event registration, giving statements—the whole nine. Check your inbox for the links to complete your signup. It really is a breeze!

Serve on Sunday

All are welcome, all who come in the name of the Lord! Snacks after church—an email has gone out giving everyone the opportunity to sign up through Breeze! Or you can call the church office if you prefer.

Teach Sunday School—It's easy, really! Contact Patrick Allred.

And if you'd like to serve on our worship team on Sundays as a reader, communion server, singer, musician, bell-ringer, or greeter please do! Contact the church office for more information and we'll plug you in—973.377.1600.

Interfaith Food Pantry

PCM supports the IFP year-round with hundreds of pounds of food to serve eligible Morris County residents. Aging people on fixed incomes, low-income working families—the need is great! Doris's Care Wagon will be inside the back door of the parish house. Named for long-time member and IFP advocate Doris Weber, the wagon has served our food

collection for years!

The food of the month for July is canned fruit. Fruit packed in juice is preferred. Please leave your donation in the basket in the refreshment area or in the wagon in the parish house.

Quarters for RAMP

The tube was overflowing again recently; thanks to all who contributed. Please continue to save your quarters and look for the tube in the refreshment area each Sunday. RAMP has recently decided to work with the International Rescue Committee and apply with them to receive a family from a war-torn country.

THE WORD 450Be Thou My Vision (D/F#) (G) Capo 1: (D) (A7) (D) Ab Еþ F^b/G B\$7 Ep 0. 1 Be thou my vi - sion, 0 Lord of my heart; 2 Be thou my wis - dom. and thou my true Word: 3 Rich - es Ι heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise; 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to ry won, (A) (D) (G) (A) Еþ Bþ Ab Bb . 0. naught be all else to me, save that thou art; Ι ev \simeq er with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou mine in her - i tance. now and al - ways; bright heaven's Sun! may Ι reach heav - en's joys, 0 (F[#]m7) (G) (D) (G) (A) Ab E۴ Bþ Gm7 Ab 0 thou my best thought, by dav by night, or thou mv soul's shel - ter. and thou mv high tower: thou and thou on 1y, first in my heart, Heart of my own heart, what ev er be fall, (D/F#) (Bm) (G) (D) Eb/G Ab E۵ Cm 0 pres - ence wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy my light. raise thou me heaven-ward, O Power of my power. High King of Heav - en, trea - sure thou art. my still be my vi sion, 0 Rul - er of all. -

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

THE CHURCH



This hymn was one of twelve written by an English curate to affirm the articles of the Aposles' Creed with biblical allusions such as 1 Corinthians 3:11 here. Though not created for this text, the tune was joined to it in 1868, and the two have been inseparable ever since.

Doxology



VISION

To see lives transformed, families strengthened, and our community renewed through intentional relationship with Jesus Christ.

OUR VALUES

Renewed Lives Community Positive Intergenerational Family Joyful Service Presbyterian Roots

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Worship

10:15AM Sunday Service

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