Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

OCTOBER 5, 2025

World Communion Sunday

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship

Quote for Meditation: "If all we do is lift up the divinity of Jesus, then we opt-out of

discipleship." Rev. Dr. Reggie Blount

GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE Elder John Hellriegel

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE: "How Firm a Foundation" arr. Anna Laura Page

Jubilee Ringers

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Elder John Hellriegel

One: Almighty God,

you built your church

on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the cornerstone.

All: Gather your church in unity, by your Holy Spirit, that it may manifest your power among all peoples to the glory of your name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: "Christ For the World to Sing" printed Italian Hymn

With Bell accompaniment

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Elder John Hellriegel

Lord Jesus Christ, on the cross you let your body be broken and your blood be shed. So often when we celebrate this act in communion, we fail to respond to your love in ways that glorify you. Sometimes we simply go through the motions with the bread and cup. Other times we think your gift comes only to us, rather than to Christians, everywhere. We might think we can't come to the table because we don't deserve your love, or pretend we are such good people we don't need that love. Today as we celebrate the Lord's Supper, forgive us for these and all our sins, as we continue to pray in silence...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Elder John Hellriegel

*Sung response: #581 "Gloria Patri"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME: Rev. Chris Scrivens

Children will be dismissed to Sunday School following the children's message

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

First Testament: Psalm 37:1-9 (OT pg. 483) Elder John Hellriegel

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10 (NT pg. 75) Rev. Chris Scrivens

Response:

One: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON Rev. Chris Scrivens

*HYMN: #815 "Give to the Wind Thy Fears"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING - Elder John Hellriegel

OFFERTORY: "Siyahamba" Zulu song ed. Doreen Rao

Choir

*HYMN OF DEDICATION: #708 "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Chris Scrivens

SEALING THE WORD

SACRAMENT of the LORD'S SUPPER ~ see insert

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

The Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

. . .Therefore we praise you; joining our voices with the choir of creation and all the saints of all times and places who forever sing to the glory of your name;

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

. . . So as we await your coming among us

In the fullness of your sovereign glory, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Praised be you, Holy Spirit, ... Where there is lack of regard for your creation

All: Prod us to speak up

One: Where people fail to see the dignity of all persons,

All: Open blind eyes.

One: Where there is silence about others being hurt,

All: Impassion us with a desire for justice.

One: Lord, your creation groans under abuse.

All: Renew the earth with goodness.

One: Your children are starving across this globe. To those who hunger

All: Give bread.

One: And to those who have bread

All: Give hunger for justice.

One: People languish in prisons, some unjustly, some without repentance,

And some for standing up for your Way.

All: Release the captives, Lord.

One: O God, our Sovereign, leaders in all lands take bribes and afflict their peoples.

All: Topple oppressive powers with your rule and send the rich empty away.

One: Your church luxuriates in the comfort of faith;

All: Send us to be your servants in service to the world.

One: The sick suffer forgotten in pain

All: Heal their hurts in body, mind and spirit.

One: People have solicited our prayers and others needing our prayers weigh heavy on our hearts.

So we offer these, our prayers to you:

Gather all these prayers and praise and join them with those of all the saints and with our Great

High Priest who taught us to pray, as we sing . . .

The Lord's Prayer ~ sung

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.

Taking of the Bread and the Fruit of the Vine

Please take the bread as you receive it to symbolize our individual relationship with Christ. Please save the cup so that we might all receive it together to symbolize our oneness in Christ.

Prayer after Communion (in Unison)

Help us rise in your resurrection power from this table where you, the Ruler of the Universe, have served us by your own hand, that we may extend your arms of peace to a world at war. This we ask through Christ, in Christ, with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

May all honor and glory be yours Now and forevermore. Amen.

"In receiving the Lord's Supper, the elements of bread and juice are holy and sacred. The core of the sacrament lies in the moment of our accepting the elements into our body and the relationship that we have with our risen Lord at that moment in time.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN: #32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

*BENEDICTION Rev. Chris Scrivens
CHORAL RESPONSE

Communion Music: "This Little Light of Mine", "Let Us Break Bread Together" arr. C. Callahan

*Please rise in body or in spirit

Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .

Minister: The Reverend Christopher W. Scrivens

Lay Assistant: Elder John Hellriegel Director of Family Ministries: Elder Christy Hemmes

Music Director: Matt Petrozelli Guest Organist: Vicki Kopacka

Ushers & Communion Stewards: Elder Derek and Karen Wilson

Set-up & Communion Stewards: Deacons Kristen Rolfe and Darcy Taylor

Coffee Hour: Matt and Dawn Siegrist

Welcome to our Worship Service! Our regular congregants are asked to introduce themselves to any visitors they don't know and then introduce them to the congregation. Everyone is invited to join us in fellowship and refreshments in Fellowship Center following the worship service this morning.

Our flowers are arranged and given by Tom and Karen Stewart to the glory of God, in loving memory of Karen's brother, Kevin Czekanski

Scripture readings for next Sunday: Jeremiah 29:1,4-7, and Psalm 66:1-12; Complementary: 2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c and Psalm 111; 2Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Lay Assistant for Next Week: Deacon Melissa Ash
Ushers for Next Week: Elder Tom Ash and Family

Coffee Hour Servers for Next Week: Needed



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