# Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

November 8, 2020 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.

Quote for Meditation: "For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever.

Therefore encourage one another with these words."

- 1 Thessalonians 4:16–18

**GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PRELUDE "Above All"

#### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: O God,

your blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of evil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life.

All: Grant that, having this hope,

we may purify ourselves as he is pure;

that, when he comes again with power and great glory,

we may be made like him

in his eternal and glorious kingdom;

Amen

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON:** 

Psalms: Psalm 78:1-7

First Testament: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Response:

One: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "Transformation"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD** 

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: "Radiant"

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

#### PASTORAL PRAYER and 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.

### FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Praises"

\*\*\*

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

Pastor: Rev. Christopher W. Scrivens

Director of Family Ministries: Deacon Melissa Ash

Music Director: Matt Petrozelli

Organist: Mary Elizabeth Rawley

Ushers/Greeters: Nancy Pappas, Barbara Misar

Welcome to our Worship Service. Our church members are asked to introduce themselves to any visitors or members they do not know and introduce visitors to us.

Scripture readings for next Sunday, November 15: Judges 4:1-7 *and Psalm 123; Zephaniah* 1:7, 12-18 *and Psalm 90:1-8(9-11) 12;* 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30.

Ushers for next Sunday, November 15: John and Beth Pfaff



## **E-Giving at Community Presbyterian Church**

If you would like to donate to the mission of Community Presbyterian Church, just scan the QR code to the left and it will take you to our donations page, managed by the PCUSA.