

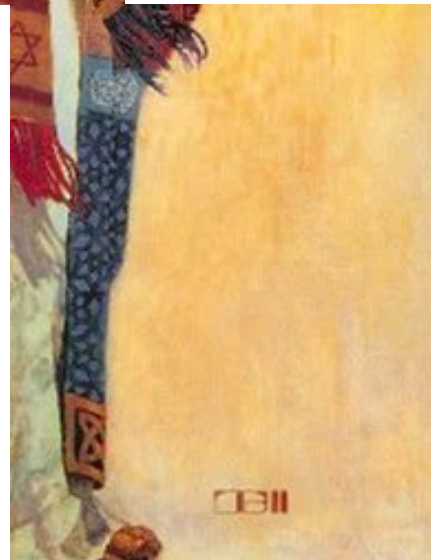


Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 25, 2021

"PIECING IT TOGETHER" SERIES - PART THREE



ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE • Prelude on *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* - Gordon Young

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sisters and brothers, let us gather together with glad and generous hearts.

For many signs and wonders are being done among us.

Let us break bread together and share our lives in common.

Let us give what we can to all who have needs so that all people, no matter who they are, may regard us with good will.

Let us devote ourselves to our prayers and to the gospel.

For in this way God will add to our numbers every day.

Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF ADORATION - Nehemiah 9:5b-6

Good Shepherd, you call us by name, and we know your voice. You open the gate for us, that we may come and go freely, have life, and have it abundantly. We pray that on this morning, the Holy Spirit will strengthen us, will renew our devotion to the teachings of your Word, that through it we may hear your voice and follow it into eternal life. Redeeming Savior, help us to watch for your signs and wonders in the world today, let them fill our hearts with gladness and generosity, that we may generate good will wherever we go, so that we might gather more sisters and brothers into this flock. In your name we pray, Amen

HYMN • *Lift High the Cross*

Refrain

The musical score is written in 4/4 time. It features a melody line and a bass line. The lyrics are: "Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim / Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim / till all the world a-dore his sa-cred name. Fine / till all the world a-dore his sa-cred name." Below the main melody, there are four numbered verses: "1 Come, Chris-tians, fol-low where our Sav-ior trod, / 2 All new-born ser-vants of the Cru-ci-fied, / 3 O Lord, once lift-ed on the glo-rious tree, / 4 So shall our song of tri-umph ev-er be: to Refrain". The refrain continues with: "the Lamb vic-to-rious, Christ, the Son of God. / bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died. / your death has brought us life e-ter-nal-ly. / praise to the Cru-ci-fied for vic-to-ry."

CALL TO CONFESSION

Friends, in as much as God is our shepherd, let us not fear, but confess our sin that our God who is gracious and merciful will restore our souls.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we confess to you and to one another that we have not always followed Christ's example. When we have been abused, we have been abusive in return. When others have raised their voices at us, we have let ours grow louder. As we have been lied to and cheated, we have been quick to lie and cheat others. In doing this we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace; found waters of trouble and chaos. We have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation. Forgive us, O Lord, call out to us once again so that your voice is louder than the rabble of life, lead us back into your fold and guard our souls as we learn to live in community with one another, forgiving others as we have been forgiven. Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We seek God's grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus Christ

The One who loves us and laid down his life for us.

This is the good news of the gospel

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE • *Gloria Patri*

CHILDREN'S SERMON *(Children, parents, and other adults may remain seated in their pews.)*

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • *Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:42-47

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 10:1-10

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"A Different Kind of Species" • The Rev. Emily Wasser

THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH • *Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Inscription of Hope* - Z. Randall Stroope

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION 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.**

HYMN • *I've Got Peace like a River*

1 I've got peace like a riv - er; I've got peace like a
2 I've got joy like a foun-tain; I've got joy like a
3 I've got love like an o - cean; I've got love like an

riv - er; I've got peace like a riv - er, in my
foun-tain; I've got joy like a foun-tain, in my
o - cean; I've got love like an o - cean, in my

soul. I've got riv - er, in my soul.
soul. I've got foun-tain, in my soul.
soul. I've got o - cean, in my soul.

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE • *Festive Trumpet Tune* - David German

☞ SERVING TODAY ☜

OFFICIATING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER

The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor

MUSICIANS

Justin Chase, Director of Music

Carla Edwards, Organist

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece, Doug Reece, and Nelson Roe

☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☜

FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Mike & Nancy Galyean in honor of their 50th Anniversary on December 27, 2020.

ANTHEM TEXT

These words were inscribed on the walls of a cellar in Cologne, Germany where Jews were hiding from the Nazis:

I believe in the sun even when it is not shining, and I believe in love even when there's no one there. And I believe in God even when he is silent. I believe through any trial there is always a way. But sometimes in this suffering and hopeless despair, my heart cries for shelter, to know someone's there. But a voice rises within me saying hold on my child. I'll give you strength. I'll give you hope. Just stay a little while. May there someday be sunshine. May there someday be happiness. May there someday be love. May there someday be peace.

MUSIC

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☞ SERMON NOTES ☜

☞ ANNOUNCEMENTS ☜

Welcome

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! We will continue to offer our worship services online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

Congregational Meeting

A Congregational Meeting will be held today immediately following the 10:30 AM Worship Service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the Nominating Committee and 2 members-at-large, to elect Fred Kittinger and Dawn Sumrall to the Board of Trustees, and to approve the change in the by-laws of the reduction of elders and deacons from 18 to 15.

5 Cents A Meal Offering TODAY

Today we will take the second quarterly collection for 5 Cents A Meal this year. Please continue your support for PATH (Presbyterian's Answer To Hunger). The offering is sent to Presbytery, which divides the monies among Second Harvest Food Bank (25%), Society of St. Andrew (SOSA) (gleaning local fields - 21%), Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR) in Guatemala (planting fruit trees and installing fuel-efficient brick stoves in remote poverty-stricken villages - 21%), and Dan and Elizabeth Turk PC (USA) mission workers in Madagascar (training seminary students in planting/cultivating fruit trees, and helping Elizabeth implement a community health program, teaching AIDS awareness and advising the family planning program - 21%). Twelve percent covers administrative costs.

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers for the weekly worship service in honor of/in memory of someone special or of a special occasion, please pick a date and put your name on the sign-up chart located in the narthex. When you sign up, please take a form and turn it into the front office with all the information filled in.

Vacation Bible School Returns!

This year in person VBS is making a triumphant re-entry! Mark your calendars now! WPPC will be sponsoring an in-person VBS from Tuesday, July 6 - Friday, July 9 from 9:00 AM - Noon, and we need your help. As with VBS in past years, we will need volunteers to help. We have spots available for leading classes, hosting story time, playing games, and so much more. If you are available July 6th-July 9th (one day, every day, or only two or three days) and would like to help with VBS, please email Emily Wasser (emilyw@winppc.org) and she will be happy to find the perfect place for you!

Christian Service Center Donations

Thank you for your weekly donations of food for the Christian Service Center. You have been so generous! Please continue to bring in non-perishable, non-breakable food items, and deposit them in the bins in Fellowship Hall or in the basket located in the front office by the stairs.

Worship Aids

Assistive hearing devices are available from an audio/visual technician at the rear of the sanctuary.

Pastoral Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please contact us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at darrenb@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 103. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

Publicity

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please fill out the form located at <http://winppc.org/publicity-request/>.

Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

<i>The Session</i>			<i>The Diaconate</i>		
<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Phillip Anderson III	Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Susan Davis	Ron Ellman
Lisa Dreasher	Bonnie Gaughan	Fred Kittinger	Reta Jackson	Jane Munns	Betty Johnston
Jayne Leach	Fran Morrissey	Malcolm MacDiarmid	Julie Kent	Rachel Myers	Sevilla Morse
Shaheed Mohammed	Michelle Trahan	Jim McKinney	Curtis Koon	Christine Rich	Cynthia Nants
Nelson Roe	Jay Van Hook	Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Dennis Schmalstig	Jyme Smith
			Jeanne Vinci	Meg Ball Thomas	

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Ball, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, East Asia
Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria
Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala

PC(USA) World Missions

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil
Mark Hare & Jenny Bent, Costa Rica
Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

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The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
Justin Chase, Director of Music
Penny Walsh, Organist
Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music

Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
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