

Worship for Sunday June 23,2019 10:30 a.m. Our Mission: Growing in Spirit Living as Disciples Serving God's World



Preparation for Worship

God is a god of abundance, not a god of scarcity. Jesus reveals to us God's abundance when he offers so much bread to the people that there are twelve large baskets with leftover scraps (see John 6:5-15), and when he makes his disciples catch so many fish that their boat nearly sinks (Luke 5:1-7). God doesn't give us just enough. God gives us more than enough: more bread and fish than we can eat, more love than we dared to ask for.

We Gather in God's Name

Sean Cator, Pianist

Please sign the friendship register.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

† Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

† Praise Song

Because of Your Love

Praise Band

† Call to Worship

- One: We all have gifts, blessings to share.
- All: The world needs what we have to give.
- One: We share what we have, we share who we are.
- All: And we do it all for the glory of God.
- One: All gifts come from God.
- All: Let us worship God with our abundant gifts!

† Hymn # 35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we come before you today knowing that we often fall short of your call to love one another well. Caught up in the business of our busy-ness, we overlook those to whom we might show grace—the lonely, the hurting, the hungry, the bullied, the ones at the margins who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection. Strengthen us to reach out in compassion to those who are in need of our attention, our resources, and our care. Make us aware of those outside our own communities, that we may see them as your precious children and serve them in humility and joy. May we continue to grow in grace as we learn how to serve you in the name of the great Servant, Jesus Christ. In your name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting unto everlasting. As far as the East is from the West, so far has God removed our transgression from us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

We Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message

Kristin Pepper

Anthem

How Great Thou Art Summer Choir Hine

Scripture Lesson	John 15: 12-17	
† Hymn #450	Be Thou My Vision	
Scripture Lesson	I John 3: 16-18	
Sermon	Laying Down a Life	Rev. Dr. Ben Trawick
Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	Welcome To a Place of Level Ground	Praise Band
† Response #609	Praise God from Whom All Blessings Fl	ow
Prayer of Dedication		Greta Tosi-Miller
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer		
We Depart To Serve God		

We Are One in the Spirit

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† Parting Hymn #300

† Benediction

Postlude

Sean Cator, Pianist



The Flowers Are Dedicated By Gene Williams In Loving Memory of his wife, Jan

Your greeters today were Kathleen Nevin and Judy Crooks.

Welcome

WE ARE VERY GLAD YOU CHOSE TO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY! PLEASE SIGN OUR FRIENDSHIP REGISTER SO THAT WE CAN GREET YOU BY NAME AND CALL ON YOU IF YOU WISH.

ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOMED IN WORSHIP - ... Even if they fidget! Worship Bags are available for young children with a children's bulletin, books, and crayons, and a Nursery is available downstairs in Room 5 for infants through 4-year-olds.

After the Children's Message, children have their own worship experience downstairs. Play 'n' Worship is for preschoolers, and Bridges to Worship is for K-3rd graders. Please pick up children before going to Fellowship: K-3rd graders will be in the Bridges Room (Room 14), and all other children will be in the Nursery (Room 5).

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Classes are offered at 9:15 a.m. from the 2nd Sunday in September through the 3rd Sunday in May. Children's Discipleship provides classes for 5-year-olds through 12th graders, and Adult Discipleship reaches all adults 18 and older.

GRACE INSIGHTS - Learn more about Grace Church, our mission, and our denomination, PC(USA), in groups that form throughout the year. If you are considering membership or if you have interest in learning more about us, please speak to one of our pastors or Elder Valerie Wenderoth. You will find Grace a very welcoming place.

PLEASE ASK ANYONE FOR HELP OR DIRECTIONS!

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