



Preparation for Worship

To be truly good means more than not robbing people...To be truly good means more than being righteously religious...To be truly good means being a good neighbor...And to be a good neighbor means recognizing that there are ultimately no strangers...Everybody is my neighbor! ...Everybody is my brother!...There are no isolated monads wounded on the other side of the street!...We're all connected.

—*Brian D. McLaren*
“A New Kind of Christian: A Tale of Two
Friends on a Spiritual Journey”

Prelude

Amazing Grace
Rob Passow, Piano

Nevue (1965-)

We Gather in God's Name

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the friendship register.

Blessing of the Blisters and Bicycles - *A Celebration of Alternative Transportation*

† Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Song of Praise

You Never Let Go

Praise Band

Call to Worship

One: God of all Creation, what do you require of us?

All: To do justice - seeking peace and reconciliation, standing with the marginalized and forgotten.

One: God of all Creation, what do you require of us?

All: To love kindness - showing compassion and unconditional caring for those in need.

One: God of all Creation, what do you require of us?

All: To walk humbly - following in the steps of Jesus, lifting up not the work of our hands but the power that sustains our service.

One: Let us worship God.

† Hymn #766

The Church of Christ Cannot be Bound

† Prayer of Confession

God of generosity and love, you have given us a world of beauty, and we have spoiled it. A world to feed us, and so many go hungry. A world of riches, and we are unwilling to share. A world to care for, and we think only of ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, for those times your heart is saddened by our selfishness. For those times we have no thought for others, no cares but ours. Enable us to see this world anew as a gift from you, to be shared and nurtured, and those who live upon it to be loved and cared for. We ask this, that your name may be glorified through the beauty of this world and the service of our lives. Amen.

† Assurance of Forgiveness

One: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to 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.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

We Proclaim God's Word

Children's Message

Judy Smith and Greta Tosi-Miller

...And the Blessing of the Backpacks

Scripture Lesson

Micah 6:6-8

† Hymn #771

What is the World Like

Scripture Lesson

Luke 10:25-37

Sermon

A Job for Letter Man?

Rev. Dr. Ben Trawick

Offertory

Adagio (Sonata I)
Rob Passow, Organist

Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

† Response #609

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

† Prayer of Dedication

Ed Bryant

Minute for Mission

Men's Fellowship

Cramer Gilmore

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

We Depart To Serve God

† Parting Hymn #754

Help Us Accept Each Other

† Benediction

Postlude

Toccata in E Minor
Rob Passow, Organist

Pachelbel (1653-1706)



*The Flowers in the Sanctuary are
Dedicated by Judy and Craig Crooks*

“Giving thanks and celebrating 56 years of marriage.”

Your greeter today was Judy Ross.



***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 DESIRE.***

ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOMED IN WORSHIP - ...Even if they fidget! Worship Bags are available outside the sanctuary with books, a children's bulletin, and crayons; and our Nursery is downstairs in Room 5 for infants through 3-year-olds.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP - After the Children's Message during the service, children have their own worship experience downstairs, with *Play 'n' Worship* for preschoolers, and *Bridges to Worship* for K-3rd graders. Please pick up your children before Fellowship—K-3rd graders will be in Room 14, and younger children in Room 5.

SUNDAY SCHOOL/YOUTH - Classes for 5-year-olds through adults are offered at 9:15 a.m. from the 2nd Sunday in September through the 3rd Sunday in May, with a summer adult class in June. Youth groups meet during the school year and engage in mission work during the Summer. Please check the schedules on the bulletin boards in the main level hall.

GRACE INSIGHTS - Learn more about our church, our mission, and our denomination, PC(USA), in classes that form throughout the year. If you are considering membership or you have interest in learning more, 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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