

**6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
GATHER IN GOD’S NAME**

(*=**please stand if you are able**)

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer

L: We come to join with all the earth in praise:

P: to sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvelous things, who has shown us steadfast love and faithfulness.

L: We praise the Lord with joyful noises joining the symphony of the earth:

P: the roar of the ocean, the call of the birds, the wind across the hills, people in every corner of the globe.

L: On this sabbath day of rest and gladness,

P: we greet you with joy, our living God!

Hymn of the Month (See Insert)

“Welcome Into This Place”

Call to Confession

There is nothing that can separate us from God’s love. Therefore, let’s confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and help us transform our lives.

Prayer of Confession GTG#431 Forgive Us Lord /Perdón, Señor

For grievance and injustice; Forgive us, Lord. Aloofness and indifference: Forgive us, Lord. For weakness and transgression: Forgive us, Lord. Resistance and rebellion: Forgive us, Lord

Tender God, forgive us for our half-hearted faith that loves only when it is easy, and reaches out only to those who are like us, that ignores your less convenient commandments and fails to bear fruit anyone would rejoice in.

Por tantas injusticias: Perdón Señor. Por tanta indiferencia: Perdón Señor. Por todas nuestras faltas: Perdón Señor. Por nuestra rebeldía: Perdón Señor.

How can a faith like that conquer the world? Nourish us again, to blossom with whole-hearted faith that abides in your love and shines forth with joy. Through the grace of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: Hear the Good News! The only one who could judge us calls us friends.

P: Jesus chose us over his own life, so let us choose Jesus in the life we have now.

L: By the power of the Spirit, our sins are washed away, and we are made new.

P: Let us live as God’s forgiven children. Alleluia! Amen.

ALL: Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Gloria Patri GTG#584**

“Glory, Glory Glory”

Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high!

And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased.

¡Gloria, gloria, gloria, en las alturas a Dios!

Y en la tierra, paz a la gente que ama el Señor.

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit, help us to hear familiar words with fresh ears, and to take your Holy Word to us seriously, as guide and pattern for our lives. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Genesis 35:9-15

God appeared to Jacob again, while he was on his way back from Paddan-aram, and blessed him. God said to him, “Your name is Jacob, but your name will be Jacob no longer. No, your name will be Israel.” And he named him Israel. God said to him, “I am El Shaddai. Be fertile and multiply. A nation, even a large group of nations, will come from you; kings will descend from your own children. The land I gave to Abraham and to Isaac, I give to you; and I will give the land to your descendants after you.” Then God ascended, leaving him alone in the place where he spoke to him. So Jacob set up a sacred pillar, a stone pillar, at the place God spoke to him. He poured an offering of wine on it and then poured oil over it. Jacob named the place Bethel where God spoke to him.

L: This is the word of God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem:

Scripture Reading

John 15:9-17

“As the Father loved me, I too have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy will be in you and your joy will be complete. This is my commandment: love each other just as I have loved you. No one has greater love than to give up one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I

don’t call you servants any longer, because servants don’t know what their master is doing. Instead, I call you friends, because everything I heard from my Father I have made known to you. You didn’t choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you could go and produce fruit and so that your fruit could last. As a result, whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. I give you these commandments so that you can love each other.

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“All We Need Is Love”

Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez

Hymn GTG# 611

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

Words of Gratitude

With gratitude for all God has given us, let us return our offerings to God.

THE EUCHARIST

***Invitation to the table**

***Breaking of the Bread**

Hymn (See Insert)

“More Precious than Silver”

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

RESPOND IN GRACE

“Rain Down”

Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people

Rain down, rain down, rain down your love God of life.

Faithful and true is the word of our God.

All of God’s works are so worthy of trust.

God’s Mercy falls on the just and the right;

Full of God’s love is the earth

Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people

Rain down, rain down, rain down your love God of life.

*** Doxology**

“Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen, amen, amen, amen

Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, we bring you our offerings today, and ask that you bless them. Bless the money in the plates that it might be saved, stewarded and spent in ways that honor you. Bless the tasks we will undertake this week that we might be coworkers in your coming kingdom. Bless the hours of our week – 167 until we meet again – that our lives may be our offering to you. Bless us to be blessings in this world. Amen.

Prayers of the People (See insert)

***Lord’s Prayer**

Hymn GTG# 300

EHP# 223

“We Are One in the Spirit / Somos uno en espíritu (vs. 1,2,4 english vs. 3 Spanish)”

Announcements

Benediction

God is Good! All the time! All the Time! God is Good!

Friends, Christ has called us to love but has not left us to fulfill that command on our own. Christ drenches us in love every moment of our lives. So go out to live in that love, to share it, and to rejoice in it. And may the God who made you uphold you, the Christ you saved you enfold you, and the Spirit who dwells within you embolden you, this day and forevermore. Amen.

The Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

Amen

Postlude

Prayers of the People

Holy God of joy and peace, we thank you for life and health, for morning and evening, for rain and sun, for all you give us to sustain life; and most of all for Jesus, who died and rose again to make real the promise of new life. We thank you for your unfailing mercy.

We ask, God, for a church that ministers every day to bring people together in your name, for hearts that will not judge, for minds that recognize injustice and oppression in all its forms, for hands that are open to answer your call. Hear us, God, and help us be your church.

Powerful God, the nations of this world are many and full of marvels. We pray for their well-being; for leaders and workers, teachers and soldiers, scholars, artists, parents, and peacemakers, and especially for nations and peoples in conflict, that your abundant love be known in all the lands. Hear us, God, and help the world find peace.

Turn our hearts, Holy One, to respect and honor those we think are different from us; let us see in peoples of every nation the beauty of the diversity you have created. Hear us, God, and help us see as you see.

We pray for bodies and spirits healed, for those who are in pain, for those awaiting surgery, for those undergoing physical therapy or seeking counseling, for those awaiting death and those awaiting new life. Hear us, God, and help us be compassionate.

For the prayers on the hearts of this congregation, those we name now and those that remain unspoken: [intercessory prayers may be lifted]

Into your hands we place our prayers and all whose welfare we trust you to watch over. Bless them and all who have needs only you know.

Grateful for all your gifts, we pray in the name of the one God, creator of us all, and through Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying, **“Our Father ...”**.

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***“A multicultural congregation worshipping together
where Jesus Christ is Lord; where men, women, and
children share in leadership; and where the strength
of our fellowship builds bridges to the community.”***

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EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2024

In person hybrid worship is at 11AM

Zoom link is as follows:

By Computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 870 270 865

One tap mobile

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Drumming Program will be on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. The next session will be May 6th at 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall

Hybrid English Bible Study will be on Thursdays at 11AM in the Fellowship Hall. May 9th there will be no bible study.

Zoom Link bible study

By computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 376 838 854

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Spanish Bible Study will be on Wednesdays.

Refreshments following worship today made with love by Velina Popova

The Drumming Program has been invited to play at Central Presbyterian Church of Haverstraw on May 24th. All drummers should arrive by 9:15AM.

Next Worship Team Meeting will be June 4th at 9:30AM

Memorial Service for Rev. Raquel Welty June 29th 11AM. More details to follow.

We will be collecting money and Handwritten Mother's Day Cards for the Women's Bedford Correctional Facility. If you are interested in contributing, please see Pastor Jeniffer.

Presbyterian Women 2024 Churchwide Gathering will be August 8-11, 2024 in St. Louis, Missouri. If you are interested in attending, please register at www.2024pwcwg.org

Please Share your tithes and offerings using the QR code below



Prayers and Praise

Please pray for everyone in leadership

Please pray for children/ families

Please pray for the Otu family

Please pray for the Supina/Ruess family

Please pray for the Sevilla family

Please pray for people struggling with cancer for healing

Please pray for people struggling with mental health

Please pray for leaders, people in a position of authority

Please pray for the Denzer Family

Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

Please pray for the Carretta family

Please pray for the Yumart family

Please pray for the Sippel family

Please pray for the Quinoy family

Please pray for Joy and Teresa Zeiden

Please pray for Boateng family

Please Pray for Orr family

Please pray for Kiara Taylor's family

Please pray for Bruce and family

Please pray for Bob

Please pray for Curtis

Please pray for the Bonapace family

Please pray for peace in the world

Please pray for Warren's family

Please pray for Passengers and Crew Members of Ships

Praise Songs and Hymns

Welcome Into This Place

Welcome into this place.

Welcome into this broken vessel.

You desire to abide in the praises of Your people,
so we lift our hands and we lift our hearts
as we offer up this praise unto your name.

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee,

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,

God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee;
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.

Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.

Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.

Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

More Precious than Silver

Lord, you are more precious than silver.

Lord, you are more costly than gold.

Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds, and
Nothing I desire compares you.

We Are One In The Spirit

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain:

*And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: *(Refrain)*

Trabajemos unidos lado a lado en amor,
Trabajemos unidos lado a lado en amor,
Como guardas celosos de la gente en su honor. *(Estribillo)*

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: *(Refrain)*