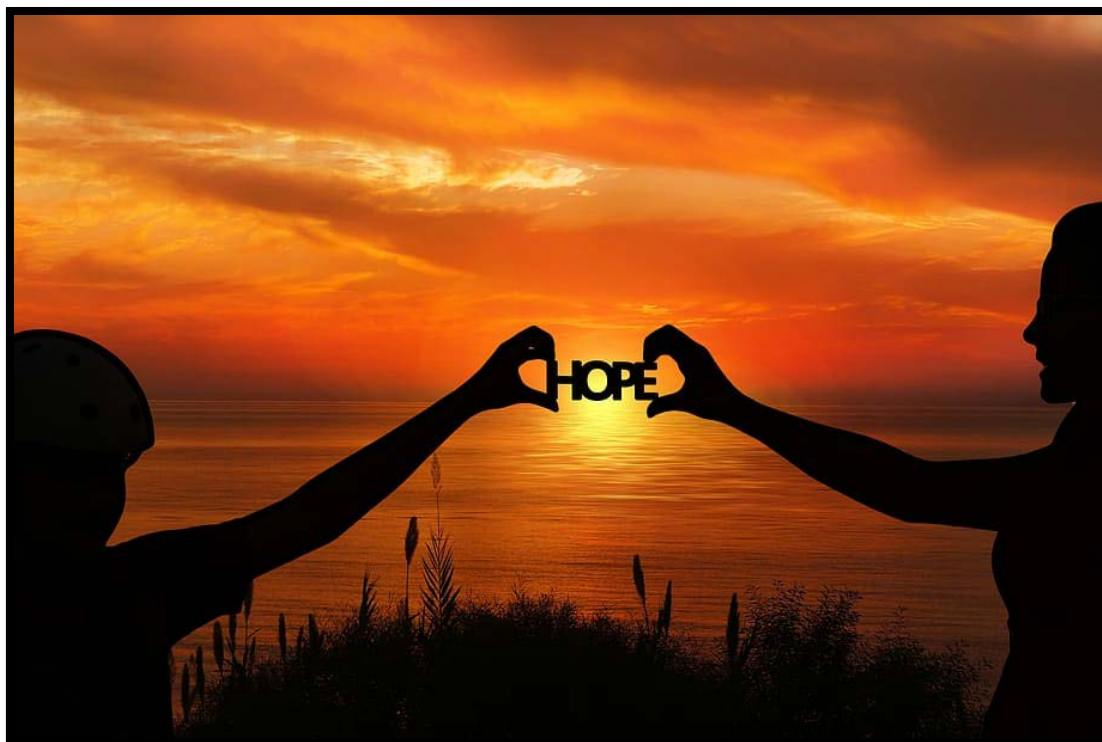


THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PENDLETON, OREGON      MAY 24, 2020  
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



REV. JONATHAN MITCHELL, PASTOR  
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ROD NIXON, LITURGY

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**Bold** words are meant to be read aloud together.  
You are welcome to participate by  
reading (*and singing*) along with us today!

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Prayer requests are welcome any time you have something you would like to submit. You can call or drop an email to the office. Trust that it will be kept confidential if needed. We are praying for each of you at home.
- Our first book discussion group discussion will be held today on Zoom May 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am.
- As of Friday, we have raised more than **\$2,600** for the Special Community Offering, as well as a gift of **\$1,200** to our Presbyterian Preschool and **\$325** for One Great Hour of Sharing. Thank you all for your generous giving!
- In light of COVID-19 concerns, Day Camp has officially been cancelled for 2020. If you intended to donate to our Vacation Bible School this year, we request that you direct funds to the Presbyterian Preschool which is experiencing a financial crunch in the current situation.
- Next week is Pentecost Sunday. If you would like to bring a red geranium plant in celebration of Pentecost, this is the week! In order to keep a safe distance between us, you may place those live flowers behind the bench near the office doors. Judy Witte will plant the geraniums next weekend. Please bring your red geranium plants by Friday.

MEMORIAL DAY SCRIPTURE

Rev. 14:13

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, says the Spirit.  
They rest from their labors, and their work follows them.

HYMN #260 *Alleluia! Sing To Jesus* Vss. 1 and 2

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| 1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;<br>his the scepter, his the throne;<br>Alleluia! his the triumph,<br>his the victory alone!<br>Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion<br>thunder like a mighty flood:<br>"Jesus out of every nation<br>has redeemed us by his blood." | 2. Alleluia! Not as orphans<br>are we left in sorrow now;<br>Alleluia! he is near us;<br>faith believes nor questions how.<br>Though the cloud from sight received him,<br>when the forty days were o'er,<br>shall our hearts forget his promise:<br>"I am with you evermore"? |
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CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 68

Let the righteous be joyful;  
let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

**Sing to God, sing praises to God's name;  
lift up a song to the one who rides upon the clouds—  
the LORD-- be exultant before God.**

Father of orphans and protector of widows is God  
in the holy habitation.

**God gives the desolate a home to live in;  
God leads out the prisoners to prosperity.**

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.

**O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens;  
listen, The LORD sends out God's voice, God's mighty voice.**

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel;  
and whose power is in the skies.

**Awesome is God in the sanctuary, the God of Israel;  
The LORD gives power and strength to the people.**

Blessed be God!

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Christ, come down from on high to be with us,  
even in our darkest hours.

**Share your love in the midst of our shortcomings.**

Share your love in the midst of our faltering faith.

**Raise us to new heights with your forgiveness and mercy,  
that we may glorify you in all that we say and in all that we do.**

Enter into our sorrows with grace and hope,  
that we might be overwhelmed with joy.

(time for silent, personal confession)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From Luke 24

The risen Christ is here,  
restoring, empowering, and strengthening us.

We are established as God's beloved children,  
forgiven and made new.

**By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

## GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

Jesus gives us peace.

It is a peace beyond anything we find in the world.

Let us share that peace with one another.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

## ANTHEM

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

## GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:44-53

## SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 1:1-14

SERMON      Waiting

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN 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 #267      *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

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| 1. Come, Christians, join to sing:<br>Alleluia! Amen!<br>Loud praise to Christ our King:<br>Alleluia! Amen!<br>Let all, with heart and voice,<br>before his throne rejoice;<br>praise is his gracious choice:<br>Alleluia! Amen! | He is our guide and friend;<br>to us he'll condescend;<br>his love shall never end:<br>Alleluia! Amen!  |
| 2. Come, lift your hearts on high:<br>Alleluia! Amen!<br>Let praises fill the sky:<br>Alleluia! Amen!  | 3. Praise yet our Christ again:<br>Alleluia! Amen!<br>Life shall not end the strain:<br>Alleluia! Amen!<br>On heaven's blissful shore<br>his goodness we'll adore,<br>singing forevermore:<br>Alleluia! Amen! |

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE      Postlude on National Airs      by Charles Callahan