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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PENDLETON, OREGON  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2020 – 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



PASTOR – Rev. Jonathan Mitchell  
LITURGIST – Lisa-Marie Patterson  
MUSIC – Steve Muller  
ORGANIST – Sue Nelson

You are invited to participate with us.  
**Bold words** are spoken together.  
***Bold Italic words*** are sung together.

PRELUDE

*Gift of Finest Wheat*  
(Bicentennial)

Ron Schmoltze

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #744

*Arise, your light is come!*

1. Arise, your light is come!  
Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God,  
which shines on you today.
2. Arise, your light is come!  
Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captives' liberty,  
good tidings to the poor
3. Arise, your light is come!  
All you in sorrow born,  
bind up the brokenhearted ones  
and comfort those who mourn.
4. Arise, your light is come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing,  
God's power will make us strong.

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 149

Praise the Lord!

**Sing to the Lord a new song.**

Let all God's children rejoice.

**Clap your hand and praise God with dancing.**

Shout for joy and praise God with music.

**For God brings justice to the peoples.**

God brings judgment upon the powerful.

**Sing to the Lord a new song.**

Let all God's children rejoice.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, help us become the people you have created us to be.

**We yearn to build communities of love,  
but it is easier to tear down than to build up.**

We long for the healing of the nations,  
but it is easier to harm than to heal.

**We want to offer forgiveness to others,  
but it is satisfying to bear grudges.**

Bind up our spirits, Gracious One, that we might reconcile with those  
whom we have offended, and those who have offended us.

**Help us cast aside the things that chain our spirits,  
that we might be free to care for one another  
and fulfill your law of love.**

(time for silent, personal confession)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From Matt. 18 and Rom. 13

Hear the words of Jesus:

“Where two or three are gathered in my name,  
I am there among them.”

As we gather to fulfill the law of love,  
Christ is here to make us whole.

Join me in these words of forgiveness:

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

## GLORIA, GLORIA

***Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia***

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

From Romans 13

The night is long gone.

Let us take up our work as children of light  
by sharing signs of Christ’s peace with one another.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

## ANTHEM

*I Want to Walk as A Child of the Light*

## EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 18:12-20

SERMON

Resolution and Reconciliation

INSTALLATION OF ELDER

Jean Wise

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 #529

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

1. Draw us in the Spirit's tether,  
for when humbly in your name two or three are met together,  
you are in the midst of them.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Here we touch your garments hem.
2. As disciples used together in the name of Christ to sup,  
then with thanks to God the giver  
break he bread and bless the cup,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! So now bind our friendship up.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

**The Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Words of Institution**

**Communion of the People**

HYMN #529

*Draw us in the Spirit's Tether*

3. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you,  
that by caring helping giving, we may be disciples true.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.

BENEDICTION

*O God of Love, O God of Peace*  
(Ack, Bliv Hos Oss)

Michael A. Burkhardt