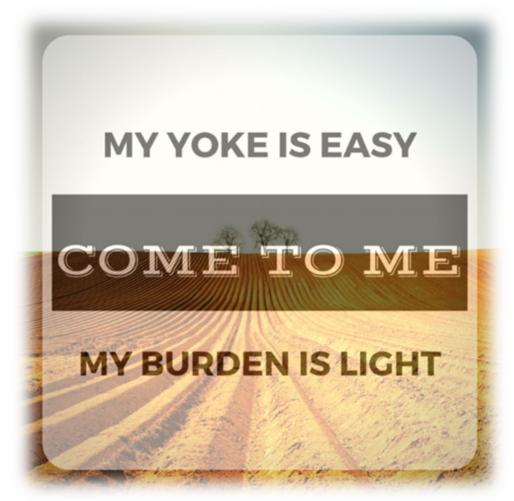
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### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PENDLETON, OREGON – JULY 9TH, 2023 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST





PASTOR: REV. JONATHAN MITCHELL
MUSIC LEADERS: CARLY ELDER, STEVE MULLER
LITURGIST: MARCIA BROWN

- **BOLD** words are spoken together
- The nursery is open for children aged 0-5
- There are children's activity booklets available to keep!
- The beautiful flowers are presented in loving memory of Dr. R.L. and Mrs. (Jane) Whitford from their children, Dee, Mac, and Rob.

#### **PRELUDE**

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### GATHERING PRAYER

\*HYMN #267 Come, Christians Join to Sing

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 145

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The LORD is good to all, and God's compassion is over all the LORD has made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you.

They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The LORD is faithful in all God's words, and gracious in all God's deeds.

The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Come, let us worship the LORD!

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful One, despite our best efforts, we have not lived up to what we can do or who we can be.

Even when our intentions are good, our actions cause harm. Even when we want to follow you more closely, we end up turning away.

We are at war with ourselves, and only you can bring peace. Still our souls, order our steps, guide our feet back to your way.

(time for silent, personal confession)

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FROM PSALM 145

God upholds all who are falling, and raises up those who are bowed down.

Join me in these words of forgiveness:

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. Amen.

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

FROM MATTHEW 11

Christ offers us God's gentle and humble heart.

May we in turn offer our gentle and humble hearts to one another with signs of love and peace.

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you!

Greet one another with the peace of Christ

\*HYMN #458 Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet (2 times)

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pour out your Holy Spirit, O God, and prepare our hearts to accept your word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing, we may also follow your will through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON NT P. 146 ROMANS 7:15-25A

GOSPEL LESSON NT P. 11 MATTHEW 11:16-19, 25-30

SERMON WISDOM

\*HYMN #451 Open My Eyes That I May See

**OFFERING** 

#### \*DOXOLOGY GTG #607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen

#### 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 #157 I Danced in the Morning

\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Please join us for coffee hour after this Sunday service.
- Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at the end of the pews. It is a great way to find out who is sitting in the pew next to you.
- Join us for Worship in the Woods next Sunday service on July 16<sup>th</sup>. We will help set up camp after worship. Caring Connection will provide Pulled Pork sandwiches. Please bring a side.
- Caring Connection is hosting lunch after the congregational meeting today. Please join us for food and fellowship.
- Deacons need items to restock their pantry. Items are put into bags and given to people who stop by the church in need of some food: Items needed include pudding cups, juice/drinks, fruit cups, applesauce, and fruit gummy packets.
- Are you an older adult with "the blues" or depression? Feeling a little down? The PEARLS Program is here to help! Signs of depression include feeling down or hopeless, lack of interest or pleasure, and trouble concentrating. If you've been noticing these signs, you may benefit from participating in a sixweek group PEARLS Tuesdays, Aug. 1st- September 5th, 10-11:30 am.
  - First Presbyterian Church, Vert Room.
    - o The program will be presented by Rod Harwood of GOBHI
- HOPE, CLIMATE CHANGE, and ICE CREAM! Looking for hope in the midst of climate change? Join us for a family-friendly evening of live music, inspiring local speakers, collaborative art, and of course, ice cream. Wed. July 12 @ 6:00-7:30 PM, Pendleton Center for the Arts.
- We need Volunteers! On July 17th- 21st, 2023 to help put on another successful camp for kids in our community. For more information, the form will be available to fill out below in your bulletin pamphlet. Contact Lori Albright at 541-429-0698 for more details.

## Camp Creation!

Join us for

Day Camp @ Westminster Woods

July 17-21, 2023

This year we've added an extra day!

Open to all children ages 6 (by July 3, 2023) through entering 6th grade.

Hosted by the First Presbyterian Church of Pendleton

# Time to register!

Register online at

https://penpresvbs.wixsite.com/ pendleton-presbyteri

beginning May 15. Space is limited to the first 75 students. Cost is \$75.00 per camper or \$260.00 for four or more siblings. Registration closes July 3, 2023. We're excited for another successful Day Camp!

# WORSHIP IN THE WOODS

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SET UP FOR CAMP AFTER CHURCH
10 AM



OTHER CHURCHES FROM THE PRESBYTERY
WILL JOIN US
10 AM



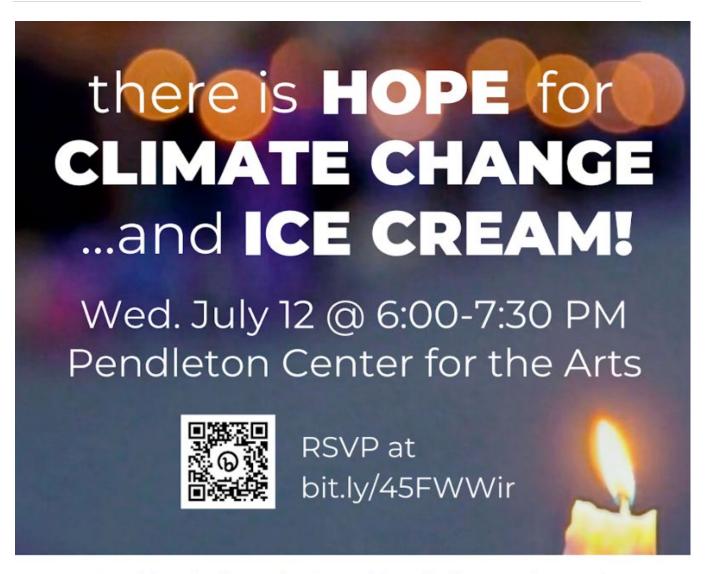
NO WORSHIP IN THE WOODS. OUR USUAL THIRD SUNDAY IS THE SUNDAY AFTER ROUND-UP AND PASTOR JONATHAN WILL BE OUT OF TOWN. WE WILL WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY AT 10:00AM



FALL FESTIVAL THE FOLLOWING WORSHIP

10 AM

A MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED FOR EACH SUNDAY
OF WORSHIP IN THE WOODS



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Climate Vigil is a gathering of climate-conscious people, sharing hope, learning, and working together to provide a safe climate for all.



Program to Rewarding Lives



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201 SW Dorion Ave., Pendleton Oregon 97801

PEARLS is a program to reduce symptoms of mild to moderate depression. Get support from trained facilitators to:

- Learn and practice problem-solving techniques
- Add pleasant activities to your life
- Promotes increasing pleasant events in your life
- Learn strategies to reduce anxiety and improve mood
- Get on a path toward increased physical activity
- Help yourself live a healthy and rewarding life PEARLS is not mental health therapy or crisis intervention.

To learn more and register (limited class size) contact: Rod Harwood at 541-293-1755 or rharwood@gobhi.org





