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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PENDLETON, OREGON – OCT. 15TH, 2023
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Pendleton, Oregon

WELCOMING
WORSHIPING
SERVING



PASTOR: REV. JONATHAN MITCHELL

MUSIC LEADERS: CARLY ELDER, STEVE MULLER

LITURGIST: JEAN WISE

- **BOLD** words are spoken together
- The nursery is open for children aged 0-5
- There are children's activity booklets available to keep!
- Beautiful flowers were provided by John and Gail Turner in loving memory of Gail's brother, Bob Wagner.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

John Turner

GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN #10 *Sing Glory to the Name of God*

CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM PHILIPPIANS 4

Rejoice in God always. Again I say, Rejoice!

Take heart; the Lord is near.

Make it known among the people: God reigns.

Proclaim it from the rooftops.

Let gentleness and mirth be your guide.

Rejoice in God always. Again I say, Rejoice!

Take heart; the Lord is near.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FROM EXODUS 32

True God from True God, we have not built a golden calf, but we have worshiped idols.

We have put our trust in what we build with our own hands.

We find security in what we can hoard instead of trusting your provision.

We listen to lies that spread hatred and division instead of the radical truth of your word.

Forgive us. Melt down our idols until we see only you and fix our sight on your way alone.

(time for silent, personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God shows us a different way — a way of truth, honor, justice, purity, and excellence. This path is open to all of us as we reach out and accept God's forgiveness.

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 PHILIPPIANS 4

Keep your hearts and minds focused on things that are excellent and admirable. God will surely bless us with a peace that passes all understanding. Let us share signs of this peace with one another.

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

Greet one another with the peace of Christ

*HYMN #688 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

HEBREW LESSON

OT P. 75

EXODUS 32:1-14

EPISTLE LESSON

NT P. 187

PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

SERMON Panic

*HYMN #57

Tremble, O Tremble

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 #804 *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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. Please join us for coffee hour following worship.
- Butter Braids and cookie doughs are now available to order till tomorrow, October 16th. Delivery will be on Nov. 17th. The forms will be at the office, order now or it is too late!
- Adult Education Opportunity: Sermon discussion starts today after worship in the Rogers room. Feasting on the Word begins Tuesday 10/17 at 6 p.m. in the Vert room.
- Preschool will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary and having an Open House next Thursday, Oct. 19th from 5-7 PM.
- Master Gardeners: Plant Sale on Sat. October 28th from 8 am- 2 pm in the Rogers Room.
- Please pay your Per Capita to the church as you are led and able. There is a flyer with more information at the back of your bulletin.
- Bill Crane will present an organ concert on Sunday, Oct. 22nd, at 2:30 PM at First Presbyterian Church. He will be accompanied by Cellist Zach Banks and Violinist Viet Block. Our partner in this concert is the Oregon East Symphony. There will be a free-will offering for the OES Sue Nelson Endowment Fund.
- Hello fellow friends near and far, we wanted to invite you all to our 39th Soup Supper at the church on Nov. 3rd and 4th. We also have a large variety of fairly traded crafts from developing countries. Come and gift yourself or a friend some handmade crafts. Mark your calendars for this eventful evening!
- Calling all cookies...but not just any cookies. Please bake cookies for the Soup Supper sale, on Nov. 3rd and 4th. Cookies should be brought to the church Vert Room by noon on the 3rd. Please label the cookie container, and note if they have nuts.
 - What should I make? Study drop cookies about 3 inches across the package very well, as do bar cookies. All-time favorites include chocolate chip, peanut butter, oatmeal, sugar, raisin, and chocolate crinkles. Thank you for your time and effort!
- YOUTH v. GOV climate film tour: Pendleton is the last stop in an Eastern Oregon tour of the award-winning film, YOUTH v. GOV. It's about the 21 youths taking the government to court to protect their climate rights. We'll hear their stories, share some of our own during the intermission, and explore what we can do to help. Join us on Oct. 26, 6 p.m., at BMCC to experience the film.

Feasting on the Word

Pastor Jonathan will be leading a Bible study entitled **Feasting on the Word**. The curriculum is based on a commentary series on the revised common lectionary. Each week, we will dive into the sermon passage for the following Sunday. Sessions will include study, practical application, and discussion. **Feasting on the Word** is a great way to prepare for Sunday's sermon and worship. Dates, Time, Place **Tuesdays October 17th through November 28 th 6:00 PM in the Vert Room**

Sermon Discussion

Each Sunday following worship, Pastor Jonathan will host a "sermon discussion." Come to coffee hour, grab some coffee and a treat! We will gather at a table in a corner in the Rogers Room. Pastor Jonathan will briefly present some material that "didn't make it into the sermon." The focus will be on responses to the sermon, questions raised during the sermon, and the many ways we may respond to the message and/or the passage. The format will be very informal. Please join us! Dates and Times, Place **Sundays: October 15 th through November 26 th following worship, in the Rogers Room**

What is Per Capita and What Does It Do?

The ministry of the Presbyterian Church (USA) goes beyond the work of local congregations. Presbyteries, synods, and the General Assembly collaborate in efforts to bring peace, wholeness, and justice to our country.

The connectional ministry of the church is supported by the mandatory “per capita” fee each congregation pays per member. The session diligently tracks our roles to ensure that we are paying our share.

Some examples of the ministry per capita empowers are:

- Supporting those called into ministry through the ordination process and equipping both congregations and ministers to discern relationships and calls.
- Building relationships with ecumenical and interreligious partners to strengthen God’s work in the world at-large.
- Preserving the history of the church through the Presbyterian Historical Society, so that we may build bridges between who we have been, who we are, and who we are called to be.

The total per capita for 2023 is \$40.57 per member. Here is the breakdown:

\$9.85	Goes to General Assembly and funds staff, outreach, and the bi-annual General Assembly meeting.
\$5.22	Goes to the Synod of the Pacific and funds staff, cooperative ministry efforts within the synod, and synod meetings.
\$25.50	Goes to the Eastern Oregon Presbytery. The per capita portion pays our Executive Presbyter/Stated Clerk, and covers costs incurred by presbytery committees as they work to encourage and empower local congregations.

Please pay your per capita to the church as you are led and able.

Rev. Jonathan Mitchell



CLIMATE FILM TOUR



BAKER CITY - Tue. October 24
6pm @ Churchill School
Free Tickets (bit.ly/3PYsURs)



LA GRANDE - Wed. October 25
6pm @ EOU Zabel Auditorium
Free Tickets (bit.ly/3Q2MwE5)



PENDLETON - Thu. October 26
6pm @ BMCC Sci. & Tech. #200
Free Tickets (bit.ly/3tdNJ2d)

Register now for free tickets + free popcorn!
Use links above or email yes@climatevigil.org



What can we do about
CLIMATE CHANGE?

Watch 21 youths protect their rights
by taking the government to court.