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# INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*August 7, 2022 (Proper 14)*



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*We only need to be one person. We only need to feel one existence. We don't have to do everything in order to be everything, because we are already infinite. While we are alive we always contain a future of multifarious possibility. ~ Matt Haig*

~ *GATHERING* ~

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** (*Psalm 85:8*)

Let us hear what the Lord will speak.

**God will speak peace to the faithful.**

**PRELUDE**

*Please sign the friendship register and pass it on.*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Based on Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16*)

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,

**the convictions of things not seen.**

Like Abraham, let us follow God,

**even when we don't know where we are going.**

By faith, let us look forward to the city that has foundations,

**whose architect and builder is God.**

Let us worship the God whose promises call and claim us.

**Come, let us worship God.**

**\*HYMN**

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

GTG #610

by Charles Wesley

AZMON

**\*POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATERS**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of Hope and Promise, we confess we do not always believe. We confess our questions and complaints catch up to us. We cannot understand our suffering and the suffering of others. Forgive us when we give up on you and ourselves. Return and restore us to right relationship. Help us to not disengage but remain steadfast in faithful dialogues of grace. Amen.** [*Silent Confession.*]

**\*RESPONSE**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GTG #551

American folk melody

LAND OF REST

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

... live liberated from sin to the glory of God. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**ALLELUIA**

**HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!**  
Caribbean melody; arr. by John L. Bell

GTG #591

## **MINUTE FOR PIGS**

**~ THE WORD ~**

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**GOSPEL READING**

**LUKE 12:32-40**

**(NRSV)**

**HEBREW BIBLE**

**GENESIS 15:1-6**

**(NRSV)**

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

**RESPONSE**

**AMEN**

GTG #601

Anon. Danish

**~ RESPONDING TO THE WORD ~**

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(from A Brief Statement of Faith)*

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

RESPONSE

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*HYMN**

WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?

GTG #70

by Jim Strathdee

MOON

*Repeat each verse. Director will sing through once, then congregation repeats.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... joining the song of all creation:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

INSTRUMENTAL WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?

MOON

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

~ *SENDING* ~

**\*HYMN**

THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE

GTG #49

by Moses Maimonides

LEONI

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

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Pieces of today's liturgy are from: *Book of Common Worship* (PCUSA); *Connections*, David Gambrell, ed.; *Call to Worship, Lectionary Aids*; *Presbyterian Outlook*, Teri Ott.

NRSV = New Revised Standard Version; GTG = Glory to God Hymnal