



Presbyterian  
Community Church  
of the Rockies

***July 30, 2023***



*It is for us to see the Kingdom of God as always coming, always pressing in on the present, always big with possibility, and always inviting immediate action.*

—Walter Rauschenbusch

# July 30, 2023 – 9th Sunday After Pentecost

## TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

*Worship begins with the prelude. Please quiet and prepare yourself for worship. Relax your body; quiet the inner dialogue of your mind; be open and receptive to God's Spirit in our midst.*

**PRELUDE** "Trumpet in Dialogue" Clerambault  
"At the Name of Jesus" Vaughan Williams Organist, Larry Gillum

**WELCOME** The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

## \*CHORAL INTROIT

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Give thanks to the LORD!

**People: Sing, Sing praises to the LORD!**

Liturgist: Let our hearts rejoice!

**People: Let us tell of his wonderful works**

Liturgist: May his deeds be known among the people!

**People: May all who seek the LORD, rejoice.**

Liturgist: Praise the Lord!

**People: Let us Praise the Lord!**

**\*OPENING HYMN NO. 267** "All Things Bright and Beautiful" ROYAL OAK

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God,

**We come in prayer today as citizens of your kingdom, and we know that we are called to feed the hungry, care for those who are sick, and champion for those without voices. Yet, we often fail to help those who most need it. Forgive us. Help us live into our discipleship by being a blessing to others and creating earth as it is in heaven. Now God we bring to you silently those transgressions that weigh heavily on our hearts.**

Silent Prayer of Confession

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*RESPONSE** "Gloria Patri" (Hymnal #579)

**CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM** "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal" Parker  
Director, Rich Dixon

**A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES** *1 Kings 3:5-11, NRSV*

**A READING FROM THE GOSPEL** *Matthew 13:44-52, NRSV*

**MESSAGE** "Living in God's House" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH (Unison)**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 276**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY** "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Robert Elmore

**\*DOXOLOGY** (Hymnal # 592)

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Madeline Amanda Osborne and Cooper Stanley Osborne

Hymn No. 488 in Glory to God: I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

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*I was there to hear your borning cry;*

*I'll be there when you are old.*

*I rejoiced the day you were baptized*

*to see your life unfold.*

*I was there when you were but a child*

*with a faith to suit you well;*

*in a blaze of light you wandered off*

*to find where demons dwell.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.**

**LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY**

*(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)*

**\*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 526**

"For All the Saints"

SINE NOMINE

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

**POSTLUDE** "Toccata on 'St. Anne'" - *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Gordon Young

## ***The Week Ahead . . .***

**Monday, July 31**

**4:00 pm—Sign Choir**

**Thursday, August 3**

**10:00 am—Mission and Outreach Committee**

**6:30 pm—Chancel Choir**

**Sunday, August 6**

**8:15 am—Adult Sunday School**

**10:00 am—Worship (Livestream available)**



*Note: The calendar includes all known church events at time of printing.*



**Flowers in the Sanctuary today** are provided by Kathye and Stan Osborne in honor of the baptism of Madeline and Cooper Osborne.

**Ice Cream Social** —today after worship, please join us for an Ice Cream Social! The Membership and Hospitality Committee is sponsoring this fun event in honor of our new Pastor, Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey and her husband, Mike Dempsey.

**Phishing Email**—There is a email scam coming in Pastor Christine’s name. Delete it. Do not respond to it! Do not click on anything! Pastor Christine and PCCR will never send you a link that you are not expecting. Please know, that every email you get from Pastor Christine will be signed Grace and peace, Christine with a <3 or an emoji heart. If it is in series of emails it will be just Christine with a <3 or emoji heart.

**Gatherings with the Pastor**—Please sign up for our PCCR small group house gatherings! We will have several gatherings in the month of August (and early September) to get to know Christine, share our love for this congregation and share our dreams. Look for the signup in the Narthex!

**If you have prayer requests** you'd like to share with the congregation, please contact Pastor Christine at [pastor@pccrusa.org](mailto:pastor@pccrusa.org), or **call 970-586-4404 (church)**.



### **Church Staff**

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