





Presbyterian  
Community Church  
of the Rockies

August 20, 2023

12th Sunday After Pentecost

*“Ua mau ke ea o ka aina i ka pono”*

*(The life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness, Hawaii state motto).*

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### 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

“God is My Strong Salvation “

Gordon Young  
Organist, Larry Gillum

#### \*CHORAL INTROIT

#### WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP: ADAPTED FROM ISAIAH 40:31

Liturgist, Patti Dolezal

**Have you not known? Have you not heard?**

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

**He does not faint or grow weary;**

He gives strength to the weak and energy to the faint.

**For those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles, they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.**

Let us give thanks! Let us sing in praise!

**Let us join God in hope for tomorrow!**

#### \*OPENING HYMN No. 288

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

ELLACOMBE

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**O Lord our God, let the shelter of your wings give us hope. Protect us and uphold us. When you are our strength, we are strong, but when our strength is our own, we are weak. When we trust in you, your goodness lasts forever, and when we turn away, we wallow in the pain of hopelessness. God, let us come home to you, abide in your love and live into your hope.**

Silent Prayer of Confession

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*RESPONSE “Gloria Patri” (Hymnal #579)

*\*Please stand if you are able.*



## ***The Week Ahead***

**Monday, August 21**

4:00 pm—Sign Choir

6:30 pm—Session

**Thursday, August 24**

6:30 pm—Chancel Choir

**Friday, August 25**

9:30 am—Merry Marthas

**Sunday, August 27**

8:15 am—Adult Sunday School

10:00 am—Worship (Livestream available)

11:00 am—Pie Social

*See the full church calendar on [www.pccrusa.org](http://www.pccrusa.org)*

## ***Announcements***

**Maui Donations**—If you would like your offering today to go toward relief for victims of the Maui fires, please note that on your envelope or check memo.

**Fellowship Time**—Join us after worship today for coffee and treats hosted by the Mission and Outreach Committee.

**Blessing of the Animals**—At 1 pm today, there will be a Blessing of the Animals Service in the Outdoor Chapel. All pet animals – dogs, cats, horses, llamas, birds, fish and others – are welcome to come and receive an individual blessing. If your pet would not be comfortable, bring a picture or other representation, such as a toy animal.

**Bake or buy, bring a pie!**—On Sunday, August 27, after worship we will hold our annual Pie Social! Bring a pie to share and stick around to enjoy a hymn sing!

**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).



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