

August 11, 2024

12th Sunday after Pentecost

"A good decision is our will to do everything we can within our power. It means to serve God with all we've got, be it little or much. Every person can do that." — Soren Kierkegaard

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

PRELUDE "Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"

J. S. Bach

Organist, Jill Hunt

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 34)

Liturgist, Tami Scace

Let us bless the Lord at all times.

We will continually praise your name.

Let us hear the voice of the Lord and be glad.

Let us exalt God's name together.

When we sought you God,

You delivered us from all our fears.

O God, let us praise the Lord!

Let us praise God's holy name!

*OPENING HYMN No. 755 (GTG) SEE INSERT

"Alleluia! Laud and Blessing"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of Grace, you encourage us to live as people worthy of our call from you, to conduct ourselves with humility, gentleness, and patience. Yet, we know that we do not live up to this expectation. Instead of humility, we respond with pride, and we claim to be more deserving than someone else. Forgive us. We forget your call to be gentle, and we forget your call to serve others. Forgive us. We fail to be patient, and we miss those in need. Forgive us. Help us instead to build up one another by seeing all people through the eyes of love and treating others as we would want to be treated.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Response: We are forgiven (See Insert)

*Passing of the Peace

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL John 6:35, 41-51, NRSV

CHANCEL CHOIR SOPRANOS AND ALTOS

"In The Garden"

arr. Rich Dixon Director, Patti Dolezal A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 19:4-8, NRSV

MESSAGE "Serving Others" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY No. 2222 (SING THE FAITH) "The Servant Song"

*Affirmation 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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Members— Darin Workman, Jennifer Workman, Clyde McKinney, Fran McKinney Affiliate Members— Lynn Harris, Carol Davis, Bettye Walsh, Jane Verm, Ray Verm

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Blessed Lord Jesus" Dietrich Buxtehude

*DoxoLogy (Hymnal # 592)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The congregation responds, "hear our prayer" following each petition which concludes, "God, in your grace..."

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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

*HYMN OF SENDING No. 429 "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "We All Believe in One True God"

J. S. Bach

*Please stand if you are able.

The Week Ahead

Monday, August 12

9:30am-Finance Committee

Tuesday, August 13

10:00am—Building and Grounds Committee

12:00pm—One Day at a Time AA Group

2:00pm—Summer Residents Association

3:00pm—Worship and Music Committee

4:30pm—Deacons

Wednesday, August 14

10:30am-Mission and Outreach Committee

12:00pm—Bible Study

Thursday, August 15

12:00pm—One Day at a Time AA Group

3:00pm—Columbarium Committee

5:00pm-EVICS

Friday, August 16

3:30pm-Ballet Renaissance

Sunday, August 18

10:00am—Worship (Livestream available)

11:00am—Pie Social and Hymn Sing

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org



Announcements

Greeters this morning are Lois and Bruce Ellingwood.

Fellowship Time—Join us after worship today for coffee and treats hosted by the Grace and Grub.

See the insert for additional announcements.

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

Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies is a welcoming community united by faith in Jesus Christ; we seek to serve others, share God's love, and engage all people.





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Announcements

We are saddened at the death of long-time member **Wes TeWinkle**, who passed away on August 6th. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers.

Welcome New Members—Please join in welcoming our new members immediately following this mornings service in Fellowship Hall.

"Just Coffee" is for sale in the Narthex today, thanks to the Mission and Outreach Committee. For \$12 you may purchase ground or beans, regular, decaf, or half and half. Porch delivery is always available.

Meditation Trail Task Force—If you have an interest in the development and revitalization of our Meditation Trail, please join the newly created task force on Monday, August 19th at 10:00am in the Library. All interested parties are welcome!

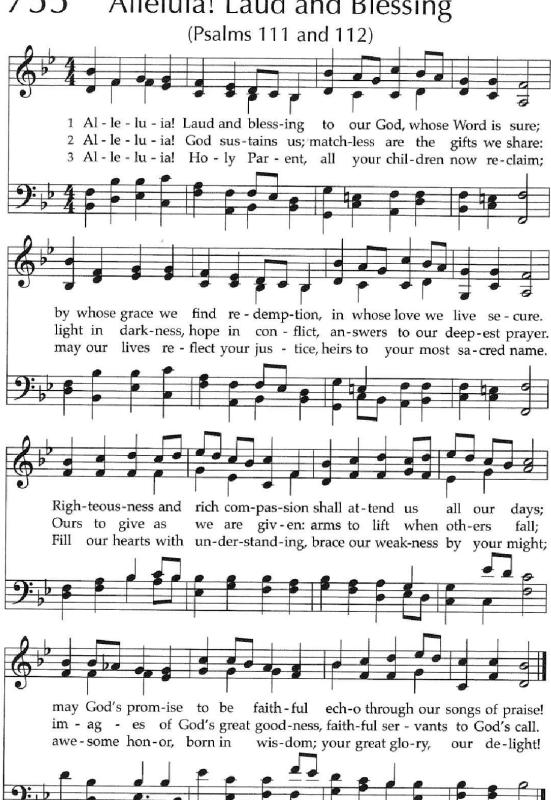
Bake or Buy, Bring a Pie! - Following worship on August 18th, the Hospitality Committee is hosting a **Pie Social and Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing** in Fellowship Hall. Come join in the fun, fellowship and a piece of pie!

Crossroads Ministry is a Christian service agency helping Estes Valley residents in need. Crossroads also partners with other agencies to provide food, housing assistance, Meals on Wheels and educational classes. PCCR's Mission and Outreach Committee will be collecting food and toiletry donations on Sunday, August 18. The Market at Crossroads needs canned soups, beans and Ramen. The Grocery Cart will be in the Narthex. Thank you!

PC(USA) Mission Benefit Mini-Golf Outing—Entry forms available now for you to sign up as an individual or a team of four to participate in this annual event, to be held on September 1, 2024 at Cascade Creek at Ride-A-Kart. Prizes for winning team(s) will be awarded! Come out for the fun and fellowship, and help support our PC(USA) denominational mission co-workers!

Questions? Call 970-646-5576

755 Alleluia! Laud and Blessing





Hymn Tidbits

(Researched by Joan Buhlmann)

#755 - "Alleluia! Laud and Blessing"

Alleluia! Laud and Blessing is by Michael Morgan (b. 1948), church musician, Psalm scholar, and collector of English Bibles and Psalters, from Atlanta GA. After almost 40 years, he now serves as Organist Emeritus for Atlanta's historic Central Presbyterian Church, and as Seminary Musician at Columbia Theological Seminary. He holds degrees from Florida State Univ. and Atlanta Univ. He has played recitals, worship services, and master classes across the US and in Europe. He is the author of The Psalter for Christian Worship (1999) and a regular contributor in the field of psalmody, and a contributor to the Reformed collections Psalms for All Seasons and Lift Up Your Hearts as well as the new Presbyterian hymnal, Glory to God.

The source is Psalm 111 and 112.

The tune All Saints is from Germany, Cologne, 1741.

#2222 - "The Servant Song"

The Servant Song (1978) is by Richard Gillard (England 1953-). The eldest of six children, he emigrated to New Zealand with his family when he was six years old. The song was first published in 1978 on a record album called "Father Make Us One." The hymn is based on scripture passages about servant leadership and discipleship. It is co-authored by Betty Jane Pulkinham (1925 Burlington NC-2019 Austin TX). She received a B.S. in Music from the Univ. of NC-Greensboro. She became an Instructor in Music Theory at the Univ. of Texas where she met future divinity student W. Graham Pulkingham. They were founding members of the Community of Celebration, an Alglican religious order whose roots reach back more than 50 years to the innercity Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Houston. She co-edited three contemporary songbooks and received three honorary degrees.

#429 - "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

Lord, You Give the Great Commission is by Jeffrey W. Rowthorn (b. Wales 1934), ordained in 1963. He wrote this text in 1978 while he was Chapel Minister at Yale Divinity School. He graduated from Cambridge and Oxford and Union Theological Seminary in NY. He immigrated to the US where he was chaplain at Union Theological. He has since moved to Paris where he is Bishop in Charge of American Churches in Europe.

Scripture refs. are: St.1 Matt. 10: 7-8, St. 2 Matt. 28: 19-20, St. 3 Matt. 26: 26-28, St. 4 Luke 28: 34, St. 5 Matt. 28: 20. See also 1 Cor. 12: 4-11, Eph. 4: 12.

The tune Abbot's Leigh (1941) was composed by Cyril Taylor (1907 Eng.-1992), a chorister at Magdalen College, Oxford. He was ordained a priest in the Church of England in 1932, serving the churches as both pastor and musician. He contributed 20 hymns to the BBC Hymn Book (1950), which he edited, and other tunes to the Methodist Hymns and Psalms (1983), and edited over 100 Hymns for Today (1969). He was chairman of the Hymn Society of Great Britain and Ireland from 1975-1980.