



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



OCTOBER 6, 2024



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"The church influences the world most when it seeks to be truly church." — Vinoth Ramachandra,
regional secretary for South Asia for the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students

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 "This is My Song, O God of All the Nations" *Finlandia*, Sibelius
Organist, Larry Gillum

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist, Mimi Hardendorf

We gather from the west to the east,
from the south to the north,
To celebrate the God of peace
who accompanies us in our acts of peace.
This God of peace accompanies us
in each and every circumstance around us.
We praise God's name! Amen!

***OPENING HYMN NO. 440** "In Christ There Is No East nor West" (American Spiritual)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, we live in a vast world with many people, beliefs, talents and worldviews, yet we admit that we struggle to hear their point of view. We often sit and look at our own advantages without giving even a nod to those around the world who are in need. We even fail to give of ourselves when they are desperate. God, forgive us, and help us be a light to those in need. May we bring comfort to those who mourn, food for those who hunger, and healing to those who hurt. In this we will help create the kingdom that you envisioned for all of your children.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE: "O MY SOUL, BLESS YOUR REDEEMER" (SEE INSERT)**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES *Isaiah 40:28-31, NRSV*

MEN'S ENSEMBLE "The Promised Land" Theron Kirk
Leader, Jeff Lindberg

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL *Mark 10:13-16, NRSV*

MESSAGE "Simple Blessings" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 465 "Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather" (Japan)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Let Us Break Bread Together" Dale Wood

***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**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy" (See Insert)
Words of Institution

CHANCEL BELLS "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Communion of the People

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

(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. 832 (GLORY TO GOD) SEE INSERT** "Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand" (Kenya)

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" Tune: *Augustine*, p. 468

**Please stand if you are able.*

See the insert for *The Week Ahead* calendar.

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Carolyn and Tim Hull.

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

Next Sunday, October 13: Harvest Festival and Soup Luncheon hosted by the Hospitality Committee after worship at 11:00am. Each PCCR family is asked to bring a crock pot of hot soup to the Fellowship Hall prior to the 10:00 worship service. Cornbread and dessert will be provided.

Remember to bring your pledge cards to church next Sunday if you have not already returned them to the church office.

October 13th Adult Sunday School topic:

“The Medieval Church” - Since our heritage as Presbyterians lies in the Western Church, we will look at the development of the church during the Middle Ages. We will tackle the Crusades, the inquisition and even the Muslim/Christian conflict in what is now Spain. Join Pastor Christine in the Lounge at 8:15am, ALL ARE WELCOME!

Welcome Discussion: Information about Membership/Participation—On October 27th after worship, you are welcome to join us for an informal conversation about membership at PCCR. We will start with a bit of fellowship and then move into a time of questions and answers. You are welcome to join us if you are a full time resident or an occasional visitor. **Please contact the church office at 970-586-4404 or office@pccrusa.org with any questions.**

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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The Week Ahead

Monday, October 7

8:00am Estes Nonprofit Network
3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, October 8

10:00am Buildings and Grounds Committee
12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
3:00pm Worship and Music Committee
4:30pm Deacons
6:30pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers

Wednesday, October 9

10:30am Mission and Outreach Committee
12:00pm Bible Study
2:00pm The Good Grief Group
3:00pm Girl Scout Troop 70449
4:00pm Joyful Bells
5:30pm Girl Scout Troop 70455/77784
5:30pm Estes Park Chorale Quartet Rehearsal
6:30pm Estes Park Chorale Rehearsal

Thursday, October 10

8:30am EPNRC Board Meeting
1:00pm Foundation
3:00pm Journeys Inner Work Group
4:00 Chancel Bells
5:00pm EVICS
6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group
6:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, October 11

3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, October 12

9:00am Harvest Festival Set-up
9:30am Card-Making Group

Sunday, October 13

8:15am Adult Sunday School
8:30am Journeys
10:00am Worship
11:00am Harvest Festival and Soup Luncheon
6:00pm Oratorio Society Orchestra Rehearsal

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org