

October 20, 2024

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

"Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility."

- Saint Augustine

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 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" David Lowe

Organist, Larry Gillum

JOYFUL BELLS INTROIT "Come Christians, Join to Sing" Larson

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 104)

Liturgist, Patti Dolezal

Bless the Lord!

With our whole beings, let us bless the Lord!

God has set the earth on its foundation.

With mountains and valleys, you appointed a place for all of creation.

You have made the sun to enliven the land

And moon to mark the seasons.

O God, may your glory last forever!

Let us rejoice and praise the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN No. 263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Compassionate God, you have shown your great love to us by coming to us in the form of a Servant. You have called us to serve, yet we have put our own interests first. We have turned away from the needs of others. God, forgive us. And God, strengthen us that we may show our love for you by showing tenderness and humility to one another. O God, we humbly pray.

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 Hebrews 5:1-10, NRSV

JOYFUL BELLS "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Director, Patti Dolezal

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A READING FROM THE GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45, NRSV

MESSAGE "Walking Humbly" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION

*HYMN OF THE DAY No. 2174 SING THE FAITH "What Does the Lord Require of You?"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

from The Book of Confession

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "All Beautiful the March of Days" (Forest Green)

Richard Purvis

*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, "We humbly pray" following each petition which concludes, "O God our Sustainer..."

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. 308

"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being"

Rustington, 224

*Please stand if you are able.

See the insert for The Week Ahead calendar.

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Jan and Jack Boatman.

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

Today is Crossroads Donation Day! Please place any donations in the shopping cart located in the Narthex.

The Presbyterian Women's Bible study will meet tomorrow, October 21, in the church library to discuss lesson two in the Horizons Bible study book, Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation. Karen Daugherty will lead the discussion on "Land Justice." We gather at 11:30 a.m. and the lesson begins at 12 noon. We hope you can join us.

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 to let us know if you are interested in attending or if you have any questions.

Next Sunday, October 27th is Reformation Sunday. Join us for this special service as the Highland Brass Quintet joins organist Larry Gillum and the Chancel Choir in providing a musical experience that is sure to enhance our faith journey.

October 27th Adult Sunday School topic: Age of Confessionalization

What next? While many of us are familiar with the Protestant Reformation, few of us have an understanding of how the movement turned into clearly defined denominations. This age led to a new certainty in religious identity but also to increased tension in Early Modern Politics.

On November 2nd from 10-11:30am, PCCR will be offering a **QPR** ("Question, Persuade, Respond") Suicide Prevention course, led by trainers from the Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County. This course is free and open to all. Learn how to recognize that someone is suicidal and how you can respond. Please sign up for this training by adding your name to the sign-up list in the Narthex or by calling the church office at 970-586-4404.





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The Week Ahead

Monday, October 21

8:00am Estes Nonprofit Network

9:30am Finance Committee

10:30am PW Board Meeting

11:30am Presbyterian Women Bible Study

3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

6:30pm Session

Tuesday, October 22 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group

2:00pm Nominating Committee

6:30pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers

Wednesday, October 23

12:00pm Bible Study

1:00pm The Good Grief Group

2:00pm Risk Management Task Force

3:00pm Girl Scout Troop 70449

4:00pm Joyful Bells

5:30pm Girl Scout Troop 70455/77784

5:30pm Estes Park Chorale Quartet

6:30pm Estes Park Chorale

Thursday, October 24

4:00pm Chancel Bells

6:30pm One Day at the Time AA Group

6:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, October 25

9:30am Merry Marthas

3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Sunday, October 27

8:15am Adult Sunday School

8:30am Journeys

10:00am Worship-Reformation Sunday

11:00am Membership Information Discussion

6:00pm Oratorio Society Orchestra Rehearsal

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org

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.





Question, Persuade, Refer **Suicide Prevention** Gatekeeper Training

These 3 easy steps allow anyone to help prevent suicide. Learn how to partner with someone to save a life. It's something that anyone can do, we'll teach you how!

This class if free to the community, each participant earns 1 CEU, and a certificate from the QPR Institute.



In this 90 min course you'll learn:



How to ask someone if they are thinking about suicide



Signs and symptoms of a mental health crisis



How to get help for your own mental health



Where to find resources available locally and nationwide



National and local suicide data and trends to understand the scope



The myths & facts of suicide from suicide prevention experts





QPR SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING Saturday, November 2 10-11:30 am **PCCR Library**

Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex