



Praises

February 9, 2025

5th Sunday after Epiphany

“The psalms show us our own experience as in a mirror, and then they put a megaphone in our hand so we can speak to God about that experience.”

— Gary Neal Hansen, (Presbyterian Minister, Seminary Professor, author)

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

“Prelude in Dorian Mode”

Flor Peeters
Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 98)

Liturgist, Chuck Bonza

Let us Sing to the Lord a new song.

(Women) ***Sing praises to the Lord with the Lyre.***

(Men) ***With trumpets and the sound of the horn.***

Let us make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

(Women) ***Let the sea roar, and all that fills it.***

(Men) ***Let the flood clap their hands.***

Let us sing to the Lord this new song!

For he has done marvelous things!

*OPENING HYMN NO. 34 (GLORY TO GOD) SEE FOLLOWING PAGES

“Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being!” (Psalm 104)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

inspired by Psalm 51

God of forgiveness, have mercy on us according to your faithful love. We have sinned against you and hurt our brothers and sisters with false words, unfinished promises and purposeful avoidance. God, forgive us and wash us thoroughly. And God create in us a clean heart with a new right spirit.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE NO. 47 (GLORY TO GOD)** "Bless All Who Trust in God" (Psalm 128)

Bless All Who Trust in God 47
(Psalm 128)

1 Bless all who trust in God and walk with - in God's ways;
bless ev - ery soul whose hap - pi - ness springs from the Lord's own praise!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

JOYFUL BELLS

"Jesus and His Love"

Tucker

Director, Patti Dolezal

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Psalm 22:1-5, 19-26, NRSV

CHANCEL CHOIR

"The New 23rd"

Carmichael

Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL

Mark 15:34, NRSV

MESSAGE

"Praises"

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 43 (GLORY TO GOD) SEE FOLLOWING PAGES

"On Eagle's Wings" (Psalm 91)

Choir will sing the verses, Congregation will sing the Refrain

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)** from the Book of Order

The Church is to be a community of faith, entrusting itself to God alone, even at the risk of losing its life.

The Church is to be a community of hope, rejoicing in the sure and certain knowledge that, in Christ, God is making a new creation. This new creation is a new beginning for human life and for all things. The Church lives in the present on the strength of that promised new creation.

The Church is to be a community of love, where sin is forgiven, reconciliation is accomplished, and the dividing walls of hostility are torn down.

The Church is to be a community of witness, pointing beyond itself through word and work to the good news of God's transforming grace in Christ Jesus its Lord.

MOMENT FOR MUSIC

Stan Osborne

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him"

Paul Manz

***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. 341 (GLORY TO GOD) SEE FOLLOWING PAGES**

"O God, Show Mercy to Us" (Psalm 67)

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

(please remain standing)

POSTLUDE

"O God of Earth and Altar"

Tune: *Llangloffan* (291)

**Please stand if you are able.*

The Week Ahead

Monday, February 10

9:30am Finance Committee
3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, February 11

10:00am Building and Grounds Committee
12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
1:00pm Personnel Committee
3:00pm Worship and Music Committee
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
6:30pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers

Wednesday, February 12

10:30am Mission and Outreach Committee
11:30am Estes Park Woman's Club
12:00pm Bible Study
4:00pm Joyful Bells
5:30pm Girl Scout Troop 70455/77784
6:00pm Luciana Quartet
6:30pm Estes Park Chorale

Thursday, February 13

8:30am EPNRC Board Meeting
12:00pm Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group
3:00pm Journeys Inner Work Group
4:00pm Chancel Bells
5:00pm EVICS
6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group
6:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, February 14

3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, February 15

3:00pm Girl Scout Troop 70449

Sunday, February 16

CROSSROADS COLLECTION

8:15am Adult Sunday School
8:30am Journeys
10:00am Worship
6:00pm Oratorio Society Orchestra Rehearsal

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Tami & Dan Scace.

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

“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.

Session has voted to name the **Meditation Trail** after Kent Dannen. The official name of the trail will be announced soon.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine—Join Pastor Christine for Bible Study at noon in the church Library on Wednesday, February 12th. This week’s topic is “What’s in a family tree”

Scripture: Genesis 4:17-5:32

CROSSROADS GROCERY CART will be in the Narthex on Sunday, February 16. Especially needed items are **rice, canned fruit and toilet paper**. Remember; you’re giving a hand up, not a hand out, to someone in need!

The local **Brownie/Junior Girl Scout Troop** will be **selling cookies** in the Narthex on Sunday, February 16. See the February newsletter for more details.

The Presbyterian Women’s Bible study will meet next Monday, February 17, in the church library to discuss lesson six in the Horizons Bible study book, *Let Justice Roll Down: God’s Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation*. Bonnie Vanderveen will lead the discussion on “Climate Change.” We gather at 11:30 am and the lesson begins at 12:00 noon. We hope you can join us.

Voices United in Harmony, a Black History Month Concert presented by the Oratorio Society of Estes Park, the Estes Park Chorale & the Estes Valley Chamber Singers will be held in our sanctuary on Sunday, February 23rd at 2:30pm. No charge to attend. Donations go towards local charities.

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