



July 6, 2025

## 4th Sunday after Pentecost

*"Freedom is not a gift bestowed upon us by other men, but a right that belongs to us by the laws of God and nature."*

— Benjamin Franklin

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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** "Praise the Lord, All Ye Lands" (*Pasticcio*) Langlais  
Organist, Larry Gillum

**WELCOME** The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist, Patti Dolezal

Lord, you have healed us.

***Let us rejoice in the Lord.***

Lord, you have restored our souls.

***Let us sing praises in your name.***

Lord, you have clothed us with joy.

***O Lord our God, let us worship in your name!***

**\*OPENING HYMN NO. 331** "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

***Almighty God. Our spirit groans when we see injustice. Our hearts hurt when innocent people are hurt. Our heads spin when we hear words that incite hate and fear, and yet we do nothing. God forgive us. Help us be champions of your justice, your peace and your joy so that we are part of the solution making this world the way you would have it, as it is in heaven.***

Silent Prayer of Confession

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*RESPONSE:**

# Praise God, All You Nations 328

*Da n'ase*  
(Psalm 117)

Praise God, all you na - tions. Peo - ple of God, sing praise!

Praise God, all you na - tions. Peo - ple of God, sing praise:

God's love is great and en - dures for - ev - er.

Praise God, all you na - tions. Peo - ple of God, sing praise!

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**A READING FROM THE GOSPEL**

*Luke 24:44-49, NRSV*

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

"It Is Well With My Soul"

arr. Rich Dixon  
Directed by Patti Dolezal

**MESSAGE**

"What is the Law?"

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*Exodus 10:1-18, NRSV*

**MEDITATION AND \*HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 8**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY**

"We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit"

Buxtehude

**\*DOXOLOGY**

(Hymnal # 606)

*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

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts:

*Lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

SANCTUS: #327 "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" (See next page)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

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.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

*God of the welcome table, in this meal we have celebrated on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life. Amen*

**LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY**

**\*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 361**

"O Christ, the Great Foundation"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"

arr. Wilhousky

*\*Please stand if you are able.*



## ***Announcements***

**Greeters this morning** are Karen & Jim Daugherty.

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

### **Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine—**

Join Pastor Christine for Bible Study at noon in the church Library on Wednesday, July 9th. This week's topic is "Sarah's death" Scripture: Genesis 23:1-20

### **Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer —**

The Adult Study Group will meet in the church Library at 10:00am on Friday, June 11. We are beginning to follow the life of Jesus and how the land itself impacted His ministry. We welcome anyone who wants to explore the Faith from different angles or who likes to join in discussions (sometimes sharing our own ignorance!)

**Next Sunday, July 13th is the All Church Picnic** immediately following the worship service in Fellowship Hall. The Hospitality Committee will provide hot dogs, buns, condiments, water and paper supplies. If you would like anything else to drink, please bring your own. Bring a potluck dish to share: Last names beginning with **A through H**—Salads, **I through N**—Baked beans or other Vegetable dishes, **O through T**—Desserts, **U through Z**—Miscellaneous (chips, etc.) Dress casually for church and bring your food to the church kitchen. See you there!

**"Just Coffee"** will be for sale in the Narthex next Sunday, July 13, 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.

**The Rocky Ridge Music Center will hold a series of concerts** throughout the month of June and July featuring their students and staff. The final concert will be on Thursday, July 10th from 3:30-4:30pm in the Sanctuary with performances by the Middle & High School Students. Donations accepted.

**Meditation Trail Task Force** is looking for a few more members to help with rejuvenating our meditation trail. Please contact Sibyl Gardner at 310-880-3524 or the church office at [office@pccrusa.org](mailto:office@pccrusa.org) if you are interested.

### Upcoming:

Monday, July 7—Church office closed in observance of Independence Day

Thursday, July 10—Rocky Ridge Music Center Middle & High School Students Concert at 3:30pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday, July 13—All Church Picnic immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 20—Celebration of Saints at PCCR immediately following worship at the Columbarium

Wednesday, July 23—**Worship on Wednesday** at 5:00pm at the Outdoor Chapel

Sunday, July 27—Retirement Celebration for Carolyn Hull immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 30—**Worship on Wednesday** at 5:00pm at the Outdoor Chapel

Sunday, August 3—Jazz Worship Service at 10:00am in the Sanctuary

*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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Jack Holmquist • Joanie Kleckner • Patti Dolezal  
John Davis • Larry Pierce • Marilyn Irwin



## ***The Week Ahead***

### **Monday, July 7 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

9:00am Estes Nonprofit Network

### **Tuesday, July 8**

10:00am Building & Grounds Committee

12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group

1:00pm Personnel Committee

2:00pm Ballet Renaissance

3:00pm Worship & Music Committee

4:30pm Deacons

6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

### **Wednesday, July 9**

12:00pm Bible Study

1:00pm The Good Grief Group

### **Thursday, July 10**

8:30am Estes Nonprofit Network

12:00pm Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group

1:00pm Foundation

2:00pm Ballet Renaissance

3:30pm Rocky Ridge Music Center Concert

5:00pm EVICS

6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

6:30pm Chancel Choir

### **Friday, July 11**

10:00am Adult Study Group

### **Saturday, July 12**

9:00am Set-up for the Church Picnic

5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

### **Sunday, July 13**

10:00am Worship

11:00am All Church Picnic

4:00pm Nebraska Picnic

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



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