



Restoring Hope

July 20, 2025
6th Sunday after Pentecost

"Forgiveness is God's command."

— *Martin Luther*

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

PRELUDE

"Preserve Me, O God"

Robert J. Powell
Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist, Fred Thibodeau

God, Your word is a lamp before my feet,

And a light for the journey.

Teach us your ways,

And shelter us from harm.

Sustain us with your promise,

And guide us with your grace.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 370**

"This Is My Father's World"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you give us life and abounding blessings to sustain us,

and yet we fail to honor you.

You give us commandments that guide us in how to live,

and yet we fail to follow them.

You give us sacrificial love through your son Jesus Christ,

and yet fail to acknowledge him.

Despite all of the ways that we fail you and one another, you still love us.

God forgive us, and help us live into your amazing grace.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE:**

God Is So Good

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The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 God is so good; God is so good;
2 God cares for me; God cares for me;

God is so good; God's so good to me.
God cares for me; God's so good to me.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL

Luke 22:54-62, NRSV

CHANCEL CHOIR

"Thanks Be To Thee"

G.F. Handel
Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

Exodus 32:21-23, 30-32; 34:6-10, 27-28, CEB

MESSAGE

"Restoring Hope"

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY No. 749 "Come! Live in the Light!"

MOMENT FOR COLUMBARIUM

Bill Smith

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"All Praise to Thee, My God, This Day" (*Tallis' Canon*)

Richard Purvis

***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**

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. 676**

"Day Is Done"

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

(please remain standing)

POSTLUDE

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Tune: *Laas uns Erfreuen*

**Please stand if you are able.*



The Week Ahead

Monday, July 21

1:00pm Membership Committee

Tuesday, July 22

12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group

2:00pm Nominating Committee

2:00pm Ballet Renaissance

6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, July 23

1:00pm The Good Grief Group

5:00pm Worship on Wednesday at the Outdoor Chapel

6:30pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, July 24

12:00pm Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group

2:00pm Ballet Renaissance

6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Friday, July 25

9:30am Merry Marthas

10:00am Adult Study Group

Saturday, July 26

9:00am Setup for Carolyn Hull's Retirement Celebration

5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, July 27

10:00am Worship

11:00am Retirement Celebration for Carolyn Hull

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Rebecca Chopp & Fred Thibodeau.

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

Today is Crossroads Donation Day! Please place any donations in the shopping cart located in the Narthex. **Especially needed items are cereal and peanut butter.**

A Celebration of Saints at PCCR will be held following today's worship service at the Columbarium as we commemorate the 40th anniversary of the columbarium's creation. This will be a time of remembrance of those who have found their final resting place there.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine is on summer break and will start up again on Wednesday, September 3rd. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Worship on Wednesday Community Service—Join Pastor Christine and the Worship & Music Committee for **faith, fun, camp songs & fellowship** at the Outdoor Chapel on Wednesday, July 23 at 5:00pm. Members of PCCR along with members of our community are invited!

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer —

The Adult Study Group will meet in the church Library at 10:00am on Friday, July 25. We are following 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!)

A Retirement Party for Carolyn Hull will be held after worship in Fellowship Hall on July 27. Join us as we thank Carolyn for her many years of service to this congregation and wish her well on her new adventures. Cards with your well wishes are encouraged and will be collected at the party or can be brought to the church office in advance if you prefer. All cards will be presented to Carolyn at her retirement party.

The Malawi Mission Network of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) International Conference will be held in Loveland July 31-August 3 at Mountain View Presbyterian Church. Among the speakers attending will be Esme Chombo, Malawi's Ambassador to the USA, providing the Keynote address on Friday morning, Tyler Holm (former PCUSA Mission Co-Worker supported by PCCR) speaking about education (Sat. am), Doug Tilton providing an update on PCUSA World Mission (Sat. pm), and Tom Logan will discuss his new book (Sat. evening). Workshops will cover updates on politics and on religion, agriculture/development, networking, partnerships, and sanitation/water. You must register in advance: \$100 for the entire conference (including lunch and dinner each day) or \$50 for a one-day visit (includes lunch and dinner). Register at www.mymvpc.com/mmn-conf

Upcoming:

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

Sunday, August 3—Membership Information Discussion following worship in the Lounge

Wednesday, August 6—**Worship on Wednesday** at 5:00pm at the Outdoor Chapel

Sunday, August 10—Meditation Trail Celebration following worship

Wednesday, August 13—**Worship on Wednesday** at 5:00pm at the Outdoor Chapel

Sunday, August 17—Pie Social and Hymn Sing immediately following worship in Fellowship Hall

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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