Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Classic Worship, 9:00 a.m. July 2, 2023

(*) The asterisk indicates to stand, as you are able.

WELCOME Rev. Jay Clark

OPENING VOLUNTARY Concert Variations on 'America' Isaac van Flagler

* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 27; John 4:23) Rev. Kathleen McMurray

Let us worship God, our light and salvation. People: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

People: We have come with shouts of joy,

to sing and to make music to the Lord.

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth. Pastor:

Pastor: Teach us your ways and make straight our paths,

in this hour of worship and always.

* HYMN 698 God of the Ages NATIONAL HYMN

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada)

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen

* GLORIA PATRI 70 MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Daniel Curry

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men Who have the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world. Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and people may work together. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive out shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love the truth. We pray for all these things through Jesus Christ, Amen.

Hear the good news. Pastor:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

HYMN 430 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee MARYTON

* SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 10:24-42

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* GREETING

The Fine Print Rev. Clark **SERMON**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Curry

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM arr. Cecil Effinger An American Hymn **Chancel Choir**

* DOXOLOGY 95 OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. McMurray

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes: And so, with your people on earth, and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The pastor continues the thanksgiving and concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, We offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.



The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding: All honor is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

* **HYMN 437** This Is My Song FINLANDIA

* WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Concert Variations on 'America'

Isaac van Flagler

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jay Clark, Executive Pastor
Rev. Kathleen McMurray, Pastor, Connecting Ministries & Worship
Rev. Daniel Curry, Caring Ministries Associate
Dr. Frode Gundersen, Director of Music, Arts, & Worship
Sungyun Kim, Organist & Associate Music Director

USHERS

(9:00) Cindy Simpson *(Lead)*, Cher Dupuy, Nancy Bartlett, Jesse Gibson, Dickie Lunsford (11:00) Boo Jennings *(Lead)*, Andy Agar, John Jones, Jennie Cole

ALTAR GUILD

Jan Hundley, Tomye Modlin, Kathy Roberts

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given in honor of Bev Villines for her many years of service and for a happy retirement.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium flowers are placed with the loving memory of 72 amazing years of marriage between Everett and Lee Thompson, who during that time gave life to four most blessed and thankful children:

Tyler, Davis, Lee Anne, and Vikki.

