



THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN MORRISTOWN

November 10, 2019

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration of Worship

Prelude

Kelvingrove

arr. Benjamin Cornelius-Bates

Matthew Webb, organ

*** Call to Worship** (*responsively*) *Psalm 145:1-5* The Reverend Dr. David Smazik

One: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

Many: Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

One: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

Many: One generation shall laud your words to another, and shall declare your mighty act.

One: On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and your wondrous works, I will meditate.

*** Hymn 667**

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Laudes Domini

Confession and Pardon

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

You are the God of the living, breathing life into every corner of death. Forgive us, Lord, when we do not recognize your life: when we ask the wrong questions or do not hear the answers; when we choose empty silence over faithful words; when we choose empty words over faithful silence;

*** Please rise in body or in spirit.**

when we choose not to act when faithful action seems risky. **Forgive us, O Lord, God of the living, for our lives depend on your life. Amen.**

Kyrie: Hymn 575

Lord, Have Mercy upon Us

Kyrie Eleison

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*)

One: If anyone is in Christ, he or she is a new creation. Your sins are forgiven. The old has passed away; the new has come.

Many: **We accept our newness; with heart, mind, and voice, we thank God.**

*** Response: Hymn 587**

Alleluia!

Celtic Alleluia

*** Passing of the Peace**

A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

The Reverend Sarah Green

Living God, help us to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Luke 20:27-38

(New Testament, page 79)

First Scripture Reading:

Luke 20:27-38

(New Testament, page 79)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Set Me as a Seal

René Clausen (b. 1953)

The Chancel Choir

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love; neither can the floods drown it. (Song of Solomon 8:6)

Second Scripture Reading: Haggai 1:15b-2:9 (Old Testament, page 827)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Is God First in Our Lives: Do We Make Room for God? The Reverend Paula Cooper

* **Hymn 683**

Lord of All Hopefulness

Courtney

Greeting/Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

(Please sign and pass the friendship pad, found in the pew, to the person next to you.

Offering envelopes and prayer request cards are located in the pew pockets for your convenience.

Cards will be collected with the offering.)

Offertory

Light of a Clear Blue Morning

Dolly Parton, arr. Craig Hella Johnson

The Chancel Choir; Sam Brusco, tenor

Deborah Fallon, Michele Yampolsky, Robin Bruen, trio

It's been a long dark night, and I've been waiting for the morning. It's been a long hard fight, but I can see a brand new day a-dawning. I've been looking for the sunshine 'cause I ain't seen it in so long. Everything's gonna work out fine. Everything's gonna be alright, it's gonna be okay. I can see the light of a clear blue morning. I can see the light of a brand new day. I can see the light of a clear blue morning. Everything's gonna be alright, it's gonna be okay.

* **Doxology: Hymn 607** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise Christ, all people here below;

praise Holy Spirit evermore;

praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

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 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.

* Hymn 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

Kelvingrove

* **Benediction:** 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Postlude

The Reverend Paula Cooper is the PC(USA) regional liaison for East Central Africa. She facilitates relationships with partner churches and institutions in Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, and Zambia, where pastoral training and leadership development are of major concern in light of rapid church growth.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Paula Cooper
The Reverend Dr. David Smazik
The Reverend Sarah Green
Dr. Matthew Webb, Director of Music
Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education
The Chancel Choir

GREETERS

Cathie & John Eyre and Marcia & Ken Heiden

USHERS

Dick Kaller, Head Usher; Marnie Kaller, Danielle Redgate,
Jack Fraebel, Vicky Willson, and Bridget and Colleen Ewing

ACOLYTES

Abby Ewing and Nathan Wood

FLOWERS

In honor of my grandsons, Connor and Ryan Perry
Given by Marion Perry

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Hosted by Janet & Larry McMillian

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith on Film: *Amazing Grace* – Today at 4 p.m. in the Erdman Room
Only released in 2018, *Amazing Grace* features Aretha Franklin recording her 1972 live album at the New Temple Missionary Baptist Church backed by the Southern California Community Choir. A time of discussion over pizza and salad will follow.

Fellowship Luncheon – Tuesday, November 12 at 12 p.m. in the Erdman Room
This month, our lunch menu is roasted chicken and potatoes with meringues topped with fruit and whipped cream for dessert. For reservations, contact Cathie Eyre at cdeyre@aol.com or 973-635-6044. To help her with planning, please let her know of any dietary restrictions.

Young Professionals Small Group – Wednesday, November 13 at 7 a.m. in the Conference Room

Our new weekly breakfast small group is for young professionals looking to network and grow their faith in Christ.. Please RSVP to dsmazik@pcmorristown.org

All Church Dinner – Wednesday, November 13 at 6 p.m. in Sheffield Hall.

Stay after our Midweek programming or come at 6 p.m. and join us for a time of fellowship. Please RSVP to bettydarcy55@gmail.com.

Cooking Together: Thai Food – Saturday, November 16 at 4:30 p.m. in Sheffield Hall
Enjoy an evening of cooking and learning about Thai foods. Space is limited and RSVPs are required. The cost is \$40 per person. Visit the What's Up Table to sign up.

Dominican Republic Mission Trip Info Session – Sunday, November 17 at 11:15 a.m. in the Howard House

Come to find out about our 4th Foundation For Peace trip to El Batey which will be May 27, 2020 to June 5, 2020. Questions? Contact Betty Darcy at bettydarcy55@gmail.com.

Interfaith Food Pantry Collection – Ongoing through Thanksgiving Sunday, November 24

Bring joy to our neighbors in need this autumn through donations to the Interfaith Food Pantry. Non-perishable food and monetary donations may be brought to the Church on the Green or to the Parish House any Sunday in November. Please check the pantry's website, mcifp.org for the most current needs. Please contact Laurie Bullock (lomeliabull@hotmail.com) from the Outreach Committee with any questions.

Serving at Table of Hope on Thanksgiving

Table of Hope, a ministry of Bethel AME, needs volunteers on Thanksgiving (November 28). They specifically need help with food preparation and cooking through the day and serving food in the late afternoon. Table of Hope also appreciates any desserts you can donate. Please see Donna Tomlinson at the What's Up Table today!

Cook Book Sale – Visit the What’s Up Table

Circle 11 has reprinted copies of their 1960s cook book! This little gem is only \$3 and all proceeds will go towards local missions.

Jan’s Closet – Now Accepting Donations

New or gently used clothes and shoes are needed for our clothing bank Jan’s Closet. Men’s clothes are especially in-demand. Please drop off your donations at the Parish House during weekday office hours.

Homemade Apple and Pumpkin Pies

Back by popular demand, Circle 5 will again be baking and selling pies, with proceeds going to PW. We are making both Pumpkin and Apple Pies. Orders must be received by **Sunday, November 17th**. Please complete the order form below and return it to the office or the What’s Up table on 11/10 or 11/17. Pies may also be ordered by emailing Circle5PW@gmail.com Pies will be available for pick up on Sunday 11/24. Pies not picked up on 11/24 will be put in the freezer. Any pies left after Tuesday will be donated. If you have special requests or need to make other arrangements, please notate them on the order form. Questions? Email Molly Rauter (mhr41k@gmail.com)

\$ 15 per pie, or any donation

Circle 5 PCM Pie Order Form

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Number of Pumpkin Pies: _____ x \$ 15.00 = _____

Number of Apple Pies: _____ x \$15.00 = _____

No thanks, I’ll just make a donation _____

Total _____

Please make checks payable to PCM PW Circle 5.

WELCOME

We are a historic church, part of a historic denomination, and we celebrate this history while exploring ways to bring passion and freshness to our worship and congregational life. Join us as we seek to discover

Fresh Traditional ways to **proclaim, gather, and nurture**, all toward continuing Jesus Christ's earthly ministry of building God's Kingdom.

Visiting with Children?

- **Activity materials** for young worshippers are located in the vestibule by Howard House.
- **Infant and child care** is provided in Howard House during the service, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. (Located through the left front door.)

Special Needs?

- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions or special needs. **Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers in the Narthex at the back of the church.

Please come again

- **Sunday Schedule:**
 - 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
 - 8:30 a.m. Adult Education Seminar at 65 South Street
 - 8:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School at 65 South Street
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



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