



**Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church
Parking Lot Worship Service
Sunday, April 18, 2021**

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Jennie Sankey, Andrew Kang

Introit

Deux Arabesque, by Debussy

Ben Badinger

Acolytes

Melanie Rogers and Nora Badinger

Call to Worship

Henry Armstrong and Finley Maguire

One: To make a fire you start with pinestraw and small twigs.

All: Then light it with a match. Blow on it.

One: Continue to add increasing wood size into you have a full flame.

All: At PHPC we start with a need,

One: We find people that want to fill in the need which lights the spark;

All: The spark is God: Creator, Light of the World, Flame on our shoulder.

One: And once we meet, with others change happens, connecting our faith to everyday life.

Call to Confession

Kayla Branson-Dixon and Ben Badinger

Prayer of Confession

God, we know you want us to be the fire of courage, love and change in the world. We were born with the ability to burn brightly and shine with your Love to the world. Instead we have let that fire dim, through our inactivity and hesitance to follow your call. We have also let your light shine for a party of one rather than let it show. Forgive us for not fueling your fire in our lives. Help us to burn brightly and share our light even when being your fire is difficult or frightening for us. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The Word Read and Proclaimed

Children's Sermon

Maggie Woolley, Nora Badinger, Olivia Su

Children will remain up front following the children's sermon to participate in the scripture drama, and will then return to their families with a worship bag for the remainder of the service today. The Playground will not be open so that our children can see youth leadership in action.

Prayer for Illumination

Bennett Culbertson

Scripture Drama

Daniel 3

PHPC Youth Group and children

Jack Maguire, Shaw Maguire, Kayla Branson-Dixon, Maggie Woolley, Olivia Su, Finley Maguire, Henry Armstrong

Sermon

Henry Armstrong and Trey Woolley

Anthem

The Fourth Man in the Fire

Phillips and Badingers

Johnny Cash, Arr. Statler Brothers

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

"Our Creator's Elements"

Mark Rogers

by Mark and Dana Rogers

Our Creator leads us by and through the elements. Through the Lord's power as seen through the forces of air, water, space, earth & fire, we embrace our faith to move mountains. Whether mountains to climb and conquer or to move out of our way, the state of our hearts help to guide the way. The winds of change shift in our lives often leading us to new mission. Holding solid ground with the Lord at our side, we clearly can see the journey straight ahead. In times of tribulation and challenge, our hearts and feet may become burdened and weary. Our Creator's element of water washes over us refreshing our inspiration. The spark of fire burns through the darkest nights cleansing what no longer serves us but also serves as light to lead the way. When faced by forces of adversity, it's our very Faith that will uplift us from the heat and ash that burns around us testing our very foundation. We are within the world around us connected to the earth. It is through our faith in our Lord do we stand apart guided by the Holy Spirit and our Creator's elements all around us. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Nora Badinger

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

Invitation to Offering

Donovan Su

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● mail your offering to the church – 3700 Pleasant Hill Road Duluth, GA 30096

Prayer of Dedication

Donovan

Following the Word into the World

Charge and Benediction

Preachers?

Postlude

Wonderful Words of Life

Ben Badinger