



**Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church
Online Worship Service
Sunday, May 16, 2021
Seventh Sunday of Eastertide
Gathering Around the Word**

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Katie Day

Introit

What a Friend We Have in Jesus
arr. Jason Tonioli

Hyoun Joo Song

Call to Worship

The Rev. Jennie Sankey

One: We come from the chaos of our lives, seeking God in this place.

All: We want answers; we want deliverance; we want to be heard.

One: We come in our deep weakness into the powerful presence of God

All: We lift our hands; we lift our hearts; we lift our voices.

One: We come in faith that the Mighty One, the Holy One,

All: Is present. Is listening. Is enacting justice in our world.

One: Let us worship together in hope.

Hymn 100

My Soul Cries Out with Joyful Shout

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Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you
 3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - ery ty - rant from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread; ev - ery
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be

By employing an energetic Irish folk song for its melody, this ballad-like paraphrase of the *Magnificat*, Mary's song at her meeting with her relative Elizabeth (Luke 1:46-55), recaptures both the wonder and the faith of the young woman who first recognized what God was doing.

JESUS CHRIST: ADVENT



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

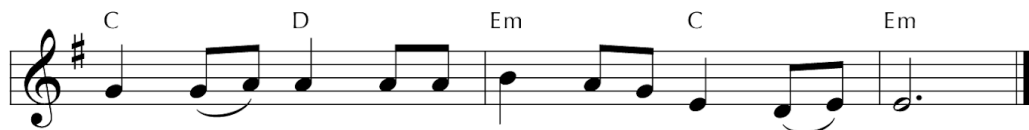
Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the



fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a - way all tears, for the



dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Call to Confession

Jennie

Prayer of Confession

God, we see in your Word that injustice has long been part of the human condition. And we see in your Word that your voice speaks toward justice and peace for all people. If we have furthered injustice in this world, forgive us. As our lives are bound up in unjust systems, have mercy upon us. When you would use our voices to speak your words of justice and peace, guide us and give us courage. Amen.

Assurance of Grace**Passing of the Peace**

Jennie

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The Word Read and Proclaimed**Children's Sermon**

Jennie

Anthem

Create in Me
Terre Johnson

Chancel Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Bernie Kida

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 146

Bernie

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

Second Scripture Reading

Numbers 27: 1-11

Katie

Then the daughters of Zelophehad came forward. Zelophehad was son of Hopher son of Gilead son of Machir son of Manasseh son of Joseph, a member of the Manassite clans. The names of his daughters were: Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. They stood before Moses, Eleazar the priest, the leaders, and all the congregation, at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and they said, "Our father died in the wilderness; he was not among the company of those who gathered themselves together against the Lord in the company of Korah, but died for his own sin; and he had no sons. Why should the name of our father be taken away from his clan because he had no son? Give to us a possession among our father's brothers."

Moses brought their case before the Lord. And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: The daughters of Zelophehad are right in what they are saying; you shall indeed let them possess an inheritance among their father's brothers and pass the inheritance of their

father on to them. You shall also say to the Israelites, "If a man dies, and has no son, then you shall pass his inheritance on to his daughter. If he has no daughter, then you shall give his inheritance to his brothers. If he has no brothers, then you shall give his inheritance to his father's brothers. And if his father has no brothers, then you shall give his inheritance to the nearest kinsman of his clan, and he shall possess it. It shall be for the Israelites a statute and ordinance, as the Lord commanded Moses."

Sermon

"Faces of Our Faith: Daughters of Zelophehad"

Katie

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith

Adapted from *The Confession of 1967*, 9.32-33

Katie

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission, involves the church in the common life of all people, and commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

Faces of Our Faith at PHPC

Bernie Kida

Hymn 435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

FORGIVENESS

435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy, like the wide-ness
2 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sures

of the sea. There's a kind-ness in God's jus-tice,
of the mind. And the heart of the E-ter-nal

which is more than lib-er-ty. There is no place where earth's
is most won-der-ful-ly kind. If our love were but more

sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place
faith-ful, we would glad-ly trust God's Word, and our lives re-

where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.
flect thanks-giv-ing for the good-ness of our Lord.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.

Prayers

Invitation to Offering

Jennie

This weekend we will receive a special offering for the Caring Hands Fund benefiting vulnerable residents of Presbyterian Homes of Georgia. For over 70 years, the generosity of 200 churches throughout Georgia has enabled Presbyterian Homes of Georgia to keep its promise to never turn away any of their residents despite outliving their financial resources. **This offering will once again be generously matched by a PHPC family up to \$5,000. Please give joyfully and generously.**

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

Prayer of Dedication

Jennie

Following the Word into the World

Charge and Benediction

Katie

Postlude

Glory to God
by Paul Vasile

Hyoun Joo

This morning's liturgy is adapted from *Feasting on the Word* and *Call to Worship*.
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