



**Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church  
Online Worship Service  
Sunday, August 15, 2021  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Gathering Around the Word**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Macy Ruple

**Introit**

*All Creatures of Our God and King*  
arr. Jason Tonioli

Hyoun Joo Song

**Call to Worship:**

The Rev. Katie Day

One: What does the Lord require of us?

**All: to do justice, to worship the Lord with Gladness**

One: to love kindness, our God is good.

**All: and to walk humbly with God, we come into God's presence with singing.**

One: God's steadfast love endures forever. Let us worship God.

**Hymn 667**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

# 667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing  
 2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I  
 3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -  
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -  
 find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or  
 sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let  
 vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -  
 fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is  
 air and sea and sky from depth to height re -  
 this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
 this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
 ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
 long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

**Call to Confession**

Katie

**Prayer of Confession**

Loving God, without your grace we are like sheep without a shepherd. Sometimes we are harassed by sin and feel helpless against its power. Sometimes, in our sin, we use our own power to harass the helpless. We are wolves in sheep's clothing, innocent as serpents and wise as doves.

Forgive us God, and bring us home. Restore us to your flock and fold, we pray; through Jesus Christ- Amen.

**Assurance of Grace**

Katie

**Passing of the Peace**

Katie

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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

The Rev. Jennie Sankey

**Anthem***"Prayer for Peace"**Beryl Red***Prayer of Illumination**

Jack Maguire

Holy God, we ask what you need us to worship you with when all you require is love. Open our eyes, ears, and hearts to your Word for us today. Bless the words we hear and the meditation of our hearts as we turn toward you.

**First Scripture Reading**

Psalm 100 (adapted for inclusivity)

Jack

<sup>1</sup> Shout triumphantly to the Lord, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with celebration!

Come before God with shouts of joy!

<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord is God—

God made us; we belong to God.

We are the Lord's people,

the sheep of their own pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter God's gates with thanks;

enter God's courtyards with praise!

Thank God! Bless the Lord's name!

<sup>5</sup> Because the Lord is good,

God's loyal love lasts forever;

God's faithfulness lasts generation after generation.

**Second Scripture Reading**

Micah 6: 6-8 (CEB)

Macy

<sup>6</sup> With what should I approach the Lord  
and bow down before God on high?  
Should I come before him with entirely burned offerings,  
with year-old calves?  
<sup>7</sup> Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with many torrents of oil?  
Should I give my oldest child for my crime;  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my spirit?  
<sup>8</sup> He has told you, human one, what is good and  
what the Lord requires from you:  
to do justice, embrace faithful love, and walk humbly with your God.

**Sermon**

“Requirements and Audacity”

Macy

**Responding to the Word****Affirmation of Faith**From *A Brief Statement of Faith*

Jennie

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image male and female, of every race and people,  
to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

**Prayers of the People**

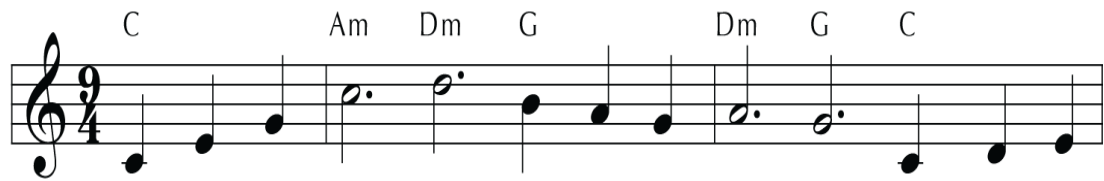
The Rev. Jody Andrade

**Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer****The Lord’s Prayer**

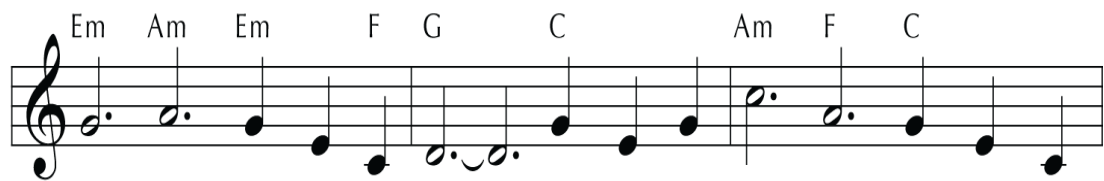
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Christ Be Beside Me

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1 Christ be be - side me; Christ be be - fore me; Christ be be -  
 2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -  
 3 Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me; Christ be on



hind me, King of my heart. Christ be with - in me; Christ be be -  
 round me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my  
 all tongues tell - ing of me. Christ be the vi - sion in eyes that



low me; Christ be a - bove me, nev - er to part.  
 sit - ting, Christ in my ris - ing, Light of my life.  
 see me; in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.

This text adapts part of a traditional Irish prayer associated with St. Patrick (see also no. 6). Such a prayer for protection is known as a *lorica*, from a Latin word for “breastplate” or “armor.” It is set to a Gaelic melody that gained wide popularity in the 1970s.

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**Prayer of Dedication**

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**Following the Word into the World**

**Charge and Benediction**

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**Postlude**

Processional in E Flat Major  
Arr. David Johnson

Hyoun Joo

Parts of this morning's liturgy are adapted from *Feasting on the Word*.  
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