

Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church
Online Worship Service
Sunday, October 17, 2021
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Jody Andrade

The Rev. Jennie Sankey

Introit

Adorn Yourself, O Dear Soul arr. Johannes Brahms

Hyoun Joo Song

Call to Worship:

One: May the words of God bring to each of us conviction, challenge, and comfort, as our lives and choices this day require.

All: Shape us even now, O Lord.

One: Prepare our bodies for the labors of this day.

All: Give us strength and health to complete them.

One: Prepare our minds for the demands of this day.

All: Grant us clarity, creativity, and discernment.

One: Prepare our souls for those sorrows and joys and celebrations and disappointments we will encounter, that every circumstance would serve only to draw us nearer to you.

All: May our words, our choices, and our actions today be offered as true expressions of worship. Come, let us worship God!

BAPTISM

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Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

ing, fer.

liv - ing,

This text incorporates many of the images associated with the water of baptism in the Thanksgiving Over the Water in *The Book of Common Worship*, especially nourishment, the calling forth of life, cleansing and renewal, freedom from bondage, and sharing in Christ's resurrection.

Re - cre - ate

by your Spir - it,

us;

chil - dren, heirs.

God, trans - form!

Call to Confession Jennie

Prayer of Confession

It is our desire to serve you well, O God, but we have again fallen short of your righteousness in our thoughts, our intentions, our actions, and our utterances. We have responded at times without grace. We have chosen sometimes that which is unprofitable and which leads neither to our own flourishing nor to the proclamation of your glory. Forgive us, O King, for treasons both known and unknown. Forgive us for the harms we have done this day, and for the goods we might have done but failed to do; forgive us also for the self-serving impulses, inclinations, and desires which stand us every moment in need of a savior. Let our inability to love you, ever perfectly, drive us daily to the arms of Christ and the enormity of your mercy and grace. 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 The Rev. Katie Day

Anthem Open My Eyes, Spirit Divine Virtual Chancel Choir

Prayer for Illumination Katie

Scripture Reading Psalm 91: 9-10, 14-16 Katie

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, 10 no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

- 14 Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.
- 15 When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. 16 With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Scripture Reading Job 38: 1-7 (34-41) Jody

- 1 Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: 2 "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? 3 Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. 4 "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. 5 Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? 6 On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone 7 when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings[a] shouted for joy?
- 34 "Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? 35 Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? 36 Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? 37 Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, 38 when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? 39 "Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, 40 when they

crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? 41 Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?

Scripture Reading Romans 14: 8 Jody

8 If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

Sermon "Living Well, Dying Well: Belonging" Jody

Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith adapted from The Heidelberg Catechism Jennie

Q. 1. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A. That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He also watches over me in a such a way that not a hair can fall from my hand without the will of God in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, Christ also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Prayer for the People

Katie

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 819 Be Still My Soul



This meditative text seems to be rooted in Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God," while also reaching forward to 1 Thessalonians 4:17b, "we will be with the Lord forever." Much of the appeal of this hymn comes from its tune, named for the tone poem on which it is based.

Invitation to Offering

Katie

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Prayer of Dedication

Following the World into the World

Charge and Benediction

Jody

Postlude

God be Praised and Glorified arr. Heinrich Scheidemann

Hyoun Joo

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