

Holly Presbyterian Church
The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 7, 2022

Announcements and Pennies from Heaven

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

One: Gather us in, the lost and the lonely, the broken and breaking, the tired and the aching who long for the nourishment found at your feast.

All: Gather us in,

One: The done and the doubting, the wishing and wondering, the puzzled and pondering who long for the company found at your feast.

All: Gather us in,

One: The proud and pretentious, the sure and superior, the never inferior, who long for the leveling found at your feet.

All: Gather us in,

One: The bright and the bustling, the stirrers, the shakers, the kind laughter makers who long for the deeper joys found at your feast.

All: Gather us in,

One: From corner or limelight, from mansion or campsite, from fears and obsession, from tears and depression, from untold excesses, from treasured successes, to meet, to eat, be given a seat, be joined to the vine, be offered new wine, become like the least, be found at the feast.

All: Gather us in.

***Prayer of Confession**

One: O God of life, grant us your forgiveness

All: For our careless thoughts, for our thoughtless deeds, for our empty speech, and the words with which we wounded.

One: O God of life, grant us your forgiveness,

All: For our false desires, for our unforgiving actions, for our wastefulness, and for all we left untended.

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

One: Hear now the words of Jesus for all who know they are broken and seek to renew their lives: Your sins are forgiven. Go in peace; come and follow me.

Many: Lead us now, O God, to acknowledge your costly generosity by living as forgiven people, until heaven and earth rejoice and the whole earth cries, "Glory!"

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Come as a Child

(We set apart this time specifically for children as we reflect upon the words of scripture for the day. There is no need to move from where you are, unless you find it helpful to come closer. Adults, too, are invited to listen as a child might and to participate.)

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures Psalm 139:1-14 Pew Bible (OT) page 545

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Reading from the New Testament Hebrews 11:1-3,
8-16 Pew Bible (NT) page 211

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Daydreaming” Allison Muenzer

***Hymn** 543 Abide with Me

Lord’s Supper

*Invitation to the Lord’s Table

*The Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and
praise.**

One: ... We join our voices with the Church
around the world, and with those who have
gone before us, and with those who will come
after us:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes

**In the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

One: Jesus, firstborn of Mary,

All: Have mercy on us.

One: Jesus, Savior of the world,

All: Have mercy on us.

One: Jesus, monarch of heaven,

All: Grant us peace.

One: So take this bread and this cup. In them God comes to us, so that we may come to God. He who has suffered for our injustices is now present in this bread. He whose body was hung on a cross, is now offered to us in this cup.

Communion of the People

Prayer

All: Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be,

through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

Prayers of the People

One: Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those who suffer pain and ill-health, and those who suffer in their spirit, with their families, friends, and those who care for them...

All: *(silent and spoken prayers)*

One: God, in your mercy.

All: May they know the deep peace of Christ.

One: Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those who grieve and those who have died...

All: *(silent and spoken prayers)*

One: God, in your mercy.

All: May they know the deep peace of Christ.

One: Loving God, we hold in your healing presence those who are bullied or persecuted, those who are weary or rejected, those who are lonely or losing hope...

All: *(silent and spoken prayers)*

One: God, in your mercy.

All: May they know the deep peace of Christ.

One: Loving God, we give you thanks for health restored and good news; we give you thanks for gifts that seem small, but that reveal your steadfast love and care for us...

All: *(silent and spoken prayers)*

Invitation to the Offering

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn 339 Be Thou My Vision**

***Charge**

***Blessing**

Postlude

- The Call to Worship and the Communal Prayer of Confession are from *A Wee Worship Book*, Wild Goose Worship Group (Glasgow: UK, Wild Goose Publications, 1999).
- The Prayers of the People are modified from *Iona Abbey Worship Book*, The Iona Community (Glasgow: UK, Wild Goose Publications, 2001).

We offer a warm welcome back and to Allison Muenzer, who is now in the candidacy phase of ordination in the Presbytery of Lake Huron and a seminary student at Princeton Theological Seminary. Our congregation is her sponsoring congregation. Welcome back to HPC, Alli, and thank you for your ministry with us today and with the larger PC(USA)!