



As Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,  
has given all for us, may we give  
ourselves to God—confidently,  
completely, faithfully.

Prayer of Confession

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***Creating Pathways to Discover New Connections in Christ***



October 19, 2014

The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Welcome to Our Church

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We are a historic church, part of a historic denomination, and we celebrate this history while exploring ways to bring passion and freshness to our worship and congregational life. Join us as we seek to discover Fresh Traditional ways to **proclaim, gather, and nurture**, all toward continuing Jesus Christ's earthly ministry of building God's Kingdom.

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**Please join us for coffee and fellowship** in the narthex at the back of the church.

Visitor's Information brochures are in the stands at the entrances to assist you in finding your way around our campus.

## Visiting with Children?

- **Activity materials** for young worshipers are in the drawers of the literature chests in both vestibules.
- **Infant and child care** is provided during the service in Howard House, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. (Located through the door in the front left of the sanctuary.)

## Special Needs?

- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions or special needs.
- **Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices** are available from the ushers in the narthex at the back of the church.

## Please come again

- **Our New Worship Schedule:**
  - 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
  - 8:45 a.m. Sunday School – Adults and children
  - 10:00 a.m. Worship in sanctuary, celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Presbyterian Church Nursery School
- **The Wednesday Worship Service will be held in the Chapel** (next door to the Sanctuary) **at noon.**
- **The Wednesday Bible Study will meet in the choir room at 10:30 a.m.** Parking is available behind the church.

More information on our Church, our programs and schedules is available on our website [www.pcmorristown.org](http://www.pcmorristown.org)

# Celebration of Worship

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10:00 a.m.

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\* *If you are able, please stand.*

INTROIT

*Sing, Rejoice, Clap Your Hands*

Mark Patterson

*The Bel Melodia Choir Barbara Valenti, piano*

(b. 1969)

Sing, rejoice, clap your hands, sing a song of praise to the Lord.  
Shout from the mountain tops, whisper through the trees,  
Come every one now rejoice and sing.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP +

*The Reverend Dr. David C. Lawrence*

Leader: Each morning, God's grace awakens us,  
each evening, God's peace cradles us.

**People: Compassion is our constant companion,  
as we go through work, school, the day.**

Leader: In every moment, God is present with us;  
God whispers words which can change our lives.

**People: Justice is our faithful teacher,  
pointing to where we can carry out fairness.**

Leader: When we find ourselves groping in the shadows,  
God's light will provide a way home.

**People: We turn the corner, and hope is waiting for us;  
We return home, and find the feast prepared.**

\*HYMN 12

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

*St. Denio*

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above;  
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.** *continued*

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
Then wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.  
All laud we would render; O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!**

*CONFESSION AND PARDON*

*The Reverend Dawn Bryan*

*CALL TO CONFESSION +*

We know, despite our sincere efforts to live in God's way, that all too easily we slip off the path to the kingdom. Trusting that God will answer our prayers and forgive us, let us confess our sins, as we pray together.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) +*

**Great Lover of Justice, hear our prayers: Called to treat all people equally, we take sides and pick favorites; chosen to be your children, we arrogantly assume others are not so honored; challenged to be examples of faith, we reveal our worst natures to our families and friends. Forgive us, Giver of Rest. Enable us to stop putting you to the test, so we can open our hypocritical hearts to your healing touch of compassion and hope. As Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has given all for us, may we give ourselves to you—confidently, completely, faithfully.**

*KYRIE – HYMN 401, stanza 2      Here in This Place*

**We are the young, our lives are a mystery.  
We are the old who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history,  
Called to be light to the whole human race.**

**Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;  
Gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
Give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;  
Give us the courage to enter the song.**

*SILENT PRAYER*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON ++*

The Lord said to Moses: There is a place near me where you may stand upon a rock. When my glory passes by, I'll put you in a cleft in the rock. I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by.

Beloved ones, God has shielded us, covered our sin with the hand of protection, as we hide ourselves in Christ, the rock of our salvation. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

*\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS (Hymn 581, "Glory Be to the Father")*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, amen.**

*PRESENTATION OF BIBLES*

*Alexandra Mead*

*Assisted by Cheryl Maginley and Connor Taunton*

*Receiving their Bibles today are third graders:*

*Nicholas Caporaso, Kevin Clark, Abigail Ewing, Bridget Ewing, Colleen Ewing,  
Bennett Knesl, Brooke Leahy, Yuri Perelman, Katie Quispe, and Lincoln Stuek.*

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison) ++*

*The Third Grade Class*

**Holy One, true and living God, through the message of your Word and the power of your Spirit, make us imitators of Jesus Christ, who saves us. Amen.**

*FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 33:12-23*

*The Message*

Moses said to GOD, "Look, you tell me, 'Lead this people,' but you don't let me know whom you're going to send with me. You tell me, 'I know you well and you are special to me.' If I am so special to you, let me in on your plans. That way, I will continue being special to you. Don't forget, this is *your* people, your responsibility."

**GOD said, "My presence will go with you. I'll see the journey to the end."**

Moses said, "If your presence doesn't take the lead here, call this trip off right now. How else will it be known that you're with me in this, with me and your people? Are you traveling with us or not? How else will we know that we're special, I and your people, among all other people on this planet Earth?"

**GOD said to Moses: "All right. Just as you say; this also I will do, for I know you well and you are special to me. I know you by name."**

Moses said, "Please. Let me see your Glory."

**GOD said, "I will make my Goodness pass right in front of you; I'll call out the name, GOD, right before you. I'll treat well whomever I want to treat well and I'll be kind to whomever I want to be kind."**

GOD continued, "But you may not see my face. No one can see me and live."

**GOD said, "Look, here is a place right beside me. Put yourself on this rock. When my Glory passes by, I'll put you in the cleft of the rock and cover you with my hand until I've passed by. Then I'll take my hand away and you'll see my back. But you won't see my face."**

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

*ANTHEM*

*What Shall I Render to the Lord?*

*Peter Tiefenbach*

*The Chancel Choir*

*(b. 1968)*

What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

*SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 22: 15-22 J. B. Phillips New Testament*

Then the Pharisees went off and discussed how they could trap him in argument. Eventually they sent their disciples with some of the Herod-party to say this, "Master, we know that you are an honest man who teaches the way of God faithfully and that you don't care for human approval. Now tell us—'is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?'"

**But Jesus, knowing their evil intention, said, "Why try this trick on me, you frauds? Show me the money you pay the tax with." They handed him a coin, and he said to them, "Whose face is this and whose name is in the inscription?"**

"Caesar's," they said. "Then give to Caesar," he replied, "what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God!"

**This reply staggered them and they went away and let him alone.**

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

\*HYMN 69

*I, the Lord of Sea and Sky**Here I Am, Lord*

**I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
 All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
 I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
 Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?**

*Refrain:*

**Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.  
 I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain.  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain***

**I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
 Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain***

*GREETING/OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD*

*(Please sign and pass the friendship pad, found in the pew, to the person next to you.  
 Offering envelopes and prayer request cards are located in the pew pockets for your  
 convenience. Cards will be collected with the offering.)*

*OFFERTORY*

*This is the Day  
 The Chancel Choir*

*John Rutter  
 (b. 1945)*

This is the day, the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
 O praise the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height. Praise him, all ye angels of his:  
 praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light,  
 let them praise the name of the Lord; for he shall give his angels charge over thee:  
 to keep thee in all thy ways. The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defense  
 upon thy right hand; so that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night.  
 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.  
 The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in: from this time forth for evermore.  
 He shall defend thee under his wings. Be strong and he shall comfort thine heart;  
 and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

*\*DOXOLOGY: HYMN 607*

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Christ, all people here below  
Praise Holy Spirit, evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE*

*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.**

*\*HYMN 26*

*Earth and All Stars!*

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**Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Hail, wind and rain! Loud blowing snowstorm!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! God has done marvelous things.  
We too sing praises with a new song!**

**Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals. Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Harp, Lute and lyre! Loud humming cellos!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! God has done marvelous things.  
We too sing praises with a new song!**

**Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Limestone and beams! Loud building workers!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! God has done marvelous things.  
We too sing praises with a new song!**

**Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Daughter and son! Loud praying members!  
Sing to the Lord a new song! God has done marvelous things.  
We too sing praises with a new song!**

*\*BENEDICTION*

*VOLUNTARY*

*Allegro from Trio Sonata in E-flat Major (BWV 525)*

*Ryan Kennedy, organ*

*J. S. Bach  
(1685-1750)*

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Participating in the service today are The Reverend Dr. David C. Lawrence and the Reverend Dawn Bryan; Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education; Julie Ramseyer, Director of Children's Music; Matthew Webb, Director of Music; Ryan Kennedy, Organ Scholar. The acolytes are Elizabeth Bruen and Evan MacGregor.

**GREETING:** 7:45: Vicky Willson and Nancy Rossman

10:00: Mary and Norm Dykstra, and Linda and Nial McCabe

**USHERING:** Craig Dodd, head usher, Barbara King, Daria and Rich Lisco, Barbara Parke, and Richard Parke.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given in loving memory Vera and Bob Anderson by the Johnson Stewart family.

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR** is hosted today by Marcia and Ken Heiden.

**OPEN MEETINGS THIS WEEK:** For a full schedule of meetings, go to our website.

**Sunday, October 19** *Office closed*

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Books, Bible & Beyond
- 10:00 a.m. Worship 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bible Sunday

**Monday, October 20**

- 9:00 a.m. Pre-School Small group

**Tuesday, October 21**

- 7:30 a.m. Sandy Relief Mission Trip
- 8:30 a.m. Small Group (D. Lisco)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

**Wednesday, October 22**

- 7:00 a.m. Small Group (M. Kaller)
- 9:00 a.m. AAA
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 12:00 p.m. Worship
- 4:15 p.m. *Ekklesia* Middle School Youth Group
- 4:30 p.m. Bel Melodia
- 5:05 p.m. Bel Canto
- 6:05 p.m. Tower Singers and Ringers
- 7:00 p.m. *Koinonia* High School Youth Group

**Thursday, October 23**

- 1:00 p.m. JAM (Joy and Music)

**Friday, October 24**

- 9:30 a.m. Volunteers (Tower Tidings and Bulletins)
- 4:00 p.m. Pumpkin Painting

**Saturday, October 25** *Office closed*

- 9:00 a.m. Morning Bible Study (PW)
- 9:00 a.m. Tai Chi
- 10:00 a.m. Christian Yoga
- 6:00 p.m. Middle School Fright Night at the Parish House

**Sunday, October 26** *Office closed*

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Seminar
- 10:00 a.m. Worship: Celebrating 50 years of the PCM Nursery School
- 3:00 p.m. Church and Graveyard Tours
- 4:15 p.m. Church and Graveyard Tours
- 4:00 p.m. Faith on film



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