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Open Communion: First Sunday of the Month During Worship

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And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called The Holy Way.

Isaiah 35:8

The Holy Way Presbyterian Church brings the good news of Jesus Christ to all God's people and faithfully follows the Lord's holy way.

THE HOLY WAY

Presbyterian Church



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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

“When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.” -Exodus 16:15

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — WELCOME!

PRELUDE Pathetique, 2nd Movement Ludwig Van Beethoven

***INTROIT** *God, Reveal Your Presence* (v.3) #412

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: O give thanks to the Lord! The Lord hears the cries of the people.

PEOPLE: **Give thanks to the Lord.**

LEADER: The works of the Lord are great. Remember what God has done.

PEOPLE: **Give thanks to the Lord.**

LEADER: God has done miracles, and the Lord always remembers God’s covenant.

PEOPLE: **Give thanks to the Lord. Glory and praise is due to the Lord!**

***HYMN** *Let Us with a Gladsome Mind* #31

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord our God, it seems we cannot decide someday. We say we will live to serve others, but end up meeting only our needs. We claim to live in a way that honors Christ, but we do not take him to work, school, home. We believe that the gospel can transform lives, at least, for those who need it - not us. Forgive us, Presence of Peace, for forgetting your promises. Instead of grumblers, may we be ambassadors of grace. Instead of continual complaining, may we carry compassion to the hurting. Instead of whiners, may we be workers with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, to reach out and bring the kingdom of God to everyone we meet.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE** *Glory Be to the Father* #581

A TIME OF GREETING

ANTHEM *For the Beauty of the Earth* Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (after the message, all children are invited to attend Sunday School in the Ranch House.)

SCRIPTURE (OT p. 556) Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

HYMN *Fairest Lord Jesus* #630

SCRIPTURE (OT p. 62) Exodus 16:2-15

SERMON *“What Is It?”*

OUR CARES AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER *Amen* #601

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY *You Gave Me Love* arr. Bill George

***DOXOLOGY** #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* #65

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

POSTLUDE *Elite Syncopations* Scott Joplin

Calendar

PRAYER CONCERNS



Sun.	Sept. 24	9:30 am 6:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School (Deadline to order: <u>Waking Up White</u> for book study) Alanon/Alateen
Tues.	Sept. 26	2:00 pm 6:00 pm	No Bible Study Today In Home Bible Study (Formerly Serendipity) Alanon
Wed.	Sept. 27	Noon 4:00 pm	Lunch & Games Girl Scouts
Thurs.	Sept. 28	5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal AA Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sun.	Oct. 1	9:20 am 9:30 am After Worship 6:00 pm	Hymnsing Worship, Communion, SS & Food Bank Sunday School Meeting Alanon/ Alateen

SESSION:

Class of 2017	Karl Allen	Christian Education, Worship
Class of 2017	Barbara Armbruster	Congregational Life
Class of 2017	Carol Hearn	Finance, Mission
Class of 2017	Dennis Toresdahl	Buildings & Grounds, Cong Life
Class of 2018	Tom Bernardo	Admin./ Buildings & Grounds
Class of 2018	Ellen LaCroix	Mission, Nominating
Class of 2018	Marcus Mattias	Christian Education
Class of 2018	Dudley Williams	Buildings & Grounds, Finance
Class of 2019	Phil Hollis	Admin, Finance, Nominating
Class of 2019	Marv Knittel	Worship, Deacons
Class of 2019	Marquita McCrone	Clerk
Class of 2019	Gerry Pearson	Cong. Life, Treasurer

Soldiers, Peacemakers, Police, & First-Responders – for their physical, mental, and spiritual health.

For a positive and faithful resolution to our broken immigration system.

All the unspoken prayer concerns.

Your prayers this week will give them the sustaining power we all need. Please pray for them!

Barbara Armbruster – Health Concerns
 Marci Cary (friend of Toni Rivers) – Health Concerns
 Alex Diaz – Health Concerns
 Julie Gonet – Health Concerns
 Betty & Willis Iron’s daughter-in-law, Roxanne – Health Concerns
 Lila Jean Jensen (Joan Valenzuela’s sister) – Health Concerns
 Rachel (friend of Don Kimball) – Health Concerns
 Wendy Mattias’ friend, Toni – Health Concerns
 June Meola – Health Concerns
 Doug Myers – Health Concerns
 Lyle Olmstead – Health Concerns
 Anita Parsil – Health Concerns
 Laura Penton-Williams’ daughter, Roma – Health Concerns
 Larry Rawlings – Back Surgery on Sept. 25
 Betty Reichlein’s son, Keith Gaston – Health Concerns
 Mooneen Ringenberg – Health Concerns
 Mooneen Ringenberg’s daughter, Carol – Health Concerns
 Janie Saxton – Health Concerns
 Charles Sayers – Health Concerns
 Judy Stauch (Rosalie Baumrucker’s Sister) – Health Concerns
 Kevin Sterner – Health Concerns
 Dionicio Valenzuela (Alfonso’s Brother) – Health Concerns

Our Prayer Chain is always available – contact Phyllis Crouthers at 578-8369 or Anita Parsil at 578-2410. If unable to reach Phyllis or Anita, you can email the church office at office@holywaypc.org.

Announcements & Opportunities

September 24, 2017

Welcome to our Worship Celebration this morning!

We worship every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. and offer Sunday School for school age children. **Help us get acquainted with you by filling out our attendance pad and our guest card!** Please join us for **refreshments** and fellowship at our Coffee Social Time in the Ranch House **following our service.** You will find sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Next Week's Scriptures:

Exodus 17:1-7

Matthew 21:23-32

Personal Receivers are available in the AV Room for those needing hearing assistance. **Any chair in our sanctuary can be moved** to make room for persons in **wheelchairs**—our ushers are ready to help. Recorded Audio Tapes are available in the AV Room after each service, and you can **read our sermons** online at www.holywaypc.org.

*****Remember the church in your will*****

- † **Ray is in Florida attending** the national Stewardship Kaleidoscope event. Following a few days of vacation, he will return to the office on Oct. 3. Rev. Ed Parsil will be available for pastoral needs this week.
- † **Today is the deadline to order your copy of Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race.** If you have not signed up for the Book Study, please do so in the Narthex today. If you need to pay for a book, you may do so in the church office. Books are \$18. The Book Study will start in October.

- † **There will not be Bible Study** this week. We will resume next Tuesday, October 3, at 9:00 a.m.
- † **Serendipity has been renamed In-Home Bible Study;** we will still be using the Serendipity Study Bible for our current study of Luke. We meet the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. and welcome new members. The next meeting is Tuesday, at Anita Parsil's home at 2341 S Circle X Place.
- † **Lunch & Games** is Wednesday, at noon. Join us for lunch, then stay to play some games! (\$5 suggested donation). Everyone is welcome! Invite your friends! Sign up in the Ranch House.
- † **Attention all Sunday School Children** and parents, grandparents, & guardians of Sunday school children! We are changing a few things with regards to Sunday School and we would like to invite you to a short presentation and luncheon right after worship next Sunday in the Sunday School classroom!
- † **Worship Committee** will meet in two weeks on October 8th after worship, (not on October 1st).
- † **Come join us next Sunday** in worship when we will celebrate World Communion Sunday, receive your contributions for Food Bank Sunday (including personal hygiene items), AND we will celebrate the two-year anniversary of having Rev. Elizabeth Smith serving as our Parish Associate!
- † **We continue to receive contributions** to assist Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in the aftermath of recent hurricanes and earthquake. Memo your contributions, on checks made to Holy Way: PDA.