Online Blended Worship

Sunday, July 18, 2021

Public Facebook Page: Christian Community Presbyterian Church - CCPC
Live at 10:00 AM

Order of service

Prelude—Adagio (Sonata #1)—Mendelssohn

Welcome

Call to Worship

God is good and loving to the faithful. Give thanks and praise for all that God has done for us. God is good! Praise the Lord!

Hymn #487—When Morning Gilds the Skies

Prayer of Invocation

Grant us this day, O God, not to be overtaken by anxious thoughts that can make us feel that you are not near. Give us the chance to sit at your feet to enjoy every word and every musical note that we may feel your real presence and in turn live out that presence within our families, our communities, our jobs, and our schools. Prepare us as we journey as your people to worship and obey. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, the image of the invisible God, and the firstborn over all creation. Amen.

Announcements—Pastor Susan Graceson

Passing of Peace

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have been distracted with many things and have not loved you with our whole heart and strength. We have not paid attention to your word. We have allowed the poor to be neglected and the weak to be oppressed. We have been impatient in worship and insincere in our dealings with others. We have ignored signs of injustice and disregarded warnings of judgment. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us repentance. Free us from our habits of pride, and make us steadfast in faith, that we may live as those who are reconciled with you in Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom we pray. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Song

Children's Message

Song

Prayer of Illumination

O God, as the scriptures are read and the gospel proclaimed, open our ears to hear your word, open our eyes to see your truth, and open our hearts to received your grace. Amen.

Scripture Readings—Psalm 89:20-37

I have found my servant David; with my holy oil I have anointed him; my hand shall always remain with him; my arm also shall strengthen him.

The enemy shall not outwit him, the wicked shall not humble him.

I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him.

My faithfulness and steadfast love shall be with him; and in my name his horn shall be exalted. I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers. He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation!' I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. Forever I will keep my steadfast love for him, and my covenant with him will stand firm. I will establish his line forever, and his throne as long as the heavens endure. If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my ordinances, if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with scourges; but I will not remove from him my steadfast love, or be false to my faithfulness. I will not violate my covenant, or alter the word that went forth from my lips. Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David. His line shall continue forever, and his throne endure before me like the sun. It shall be established forever like the moon, an enduring witness in the skies." Selah

Sermon—Pastor Susan Graceson

Special Music—*The Tallis Canon*—Tallis—Scott Brock, Pastor Susan Graceson, Astrid Jonas, Olivia MacMillan, Trudy & Richard Neff, Becky Pfarrer, Marty Sippel, Sharon & Jon Youngdahl

Time of Offering

An Invitation to Give

We hope that you will want to support the ministry of CCPC in a great variety of ways. To offer your financial support, you may use the QRL code in the bulletin, donate through our website, or mail a check to the church office. Please do give. We need your support to continue this vibrant ministry.

Prayer of Dedication

God, we give today in thankfulness and with the assurance that anything we give will contribute to the continuing growth of your kingdom in the world. Give us wisdom as a church, so that this offering is used for the sharing of your word and the service of your people. In the name of the One that gave us everything we are and have. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn #145—Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Benediction

Postlude—Fugue in E flat major—Bach

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Daily Activity

A reading of the daily lectionary followed by prayers is available for members each day except Sunday at 7:15am. You can access the readings here:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/71854500515,

or here: http://ccpc.bowiemd.org/news-for-members/announcements--info.html.

Weekly Activities

Tuesdays at 7:30 – Straight from the Source Bible Study via Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83257508911) music, prayers, scripture, and a brief meditation.

Thursdays at 7:30 – All Church Gathering/Prayer Gathering via Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87310740246)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

Children's Handbell Choir!

Beginning in September, the Children's Handbell Choir will resume rehearsals on Sunday mornings immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. These rehearsals will take place at a socially safe distance in Dodd's Hall. Children age 5-12 are welcome to join us! If you have a child who is interested, please contact Rick Osborne.

Handbells, Handbells!

Twelve months ago, our "Covid bell ensemble" began as a duo and gradually grew into a septet by this Spring. Clinquant, our adult handbell choir, is now back in nearly "full force." We look forward to participating on a regular basis in both the Sunday morning "live" services and the Facebook "virtual" services! It is our goal to provide special music at least once a month. At this time we have *three vacant positions* which we would like to fill as soon as possible. While the ability to read music is desirable, it is not a prerequisite. If you can keep a steady beat and count to four, you just passed the audition! We rehearse at a socially safe distance on Wednesday evenings, 7:30-8:45. If you are interested, please contact Rick Osborne.