

First Presbyterian Church of Mineral Ridge

8th Sunday of Pentecost July 23, 2023

Welcome to our church! It is a joy to worship with you on this morning. Please join us after worship in Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.

Our music this morning comes from contemporary music sources. The words are printed for your use, if you'd like to sing along!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Gather as God's People

OPENING PRAYER – let us pray.

Siblings in Christ, let us praise and worship God who has called us together. Let us celebrate God's majesty, and delight in the wonder of God's love. Together we shall confess our sins and receive assurance that we are forgiven. As the scriptures are read, we can allow God's word to speak to us, and ponder its meaning for our lives. In our prayers, we give thanks for God's

goodness, we pray for others as well as for ourselves, and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do, because we believe in the presence among us of our Savior Jesus Christ, and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

CALL TO WORSHIP – *Please stand and join me in the call to worship.*

As the sun rises in the morning,

As the cool breeze ushers in the evening,

As the heat of the noonday sun spreads across the land:

God is present with us.

Let us worship God.

SONG Bless the Lord, O My Soul (10,000 Reasons)

[Refrain] Bless the Lord oh my soul, oh my soul, worship His Holy name
Sing like never before, oh my soul,
I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes. [Refrain]

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. [Refrain] And on that day when my strength is failing; the end draws near and my time has come.

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending; ten thousand years and then forevermore. Forevermore. [Refrain]

CALL TO CONFESSION – Please be seated.

We let fears control us, we let doubt become the way of life for us. If we look, we will see our lives, and our world, cradled in God's loving hands. Let us confess our lack of faith, even as we trust the One who has promised to listen to our words, as well as our hearts. Let us confess our sins, first in silence.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION - Please join me in the unison prayer of confession.

God, we come to you today acknowledging that things are broken. Creation is broken. Relationships are broken. We are broken. But in the same breath we know that you make all things new. Today we pray that your presence would be felt in our brokenness. We ask that through your grace all of creation would once again be made whole. Amen.

SONG

Drops in the Ocean (see insert)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the great news today; the life, death, and resurrection of Christ covers all our iniquities. Just as

quickly as our sins were offered up, they have been forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – at this time, all children are invited up to hear a short message! After, kindergarten and younger can be dismissed to Story Circle with Olivia Meyers. Those older than kindergarten may return to their seats We have activity bags available for their use in the back.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Please join me in singing Sanctuary. We'll sing this four times. Join in as you catch the melody!

Lord, prepare me, to be a sanctuary. Pure, and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, Sanctuary, for you.

FIRST READING

Psalm 8

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

LITANY OF CREATION

MEDITATION

Rev. Kori Robbins

We Respond to God's Love

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – *You may be seated.*Trusting indeed that you are always there, we pray to you now as your Son taught us, saying together,

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.

OFFERTORY

We invite you to take a moment and place your offering at the front. At this time, we also invite you into a moment of silence. Listen for the wonder of God's creation!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION – Please join me in saying the prayer of dedication.

God we know that you aren't in need of anything we have to offer. However, you desire for us to serve you in every aspect of our life. We pray that this offering is a true act of worship and shows our love of your creation. Bless these tithes and offerings and guide us as we seek to use them to serve you in all of creation. Amen.

We Go Out to Serve God

HYMN

Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in deepest 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**

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**

*BENEDICTION

Prayer List

MEMBERS TO REMEMBER

Mary Alice Seaborn Marlyne Young

Helen Redmond Shirley Dull

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH, SUPPORT AND CONCERN

Names will be taken off after 6 weeks, unless noted.

Megan Taylor (Carole's cousin)

Amos Rodgers & Cody Tittle (Marlene's friends)

James Tincher (Marlene's son)

Clayton & Eileen (Bev Myers' family friends)

Paul Stevens (Bev Myers' son)

Dennis Copanic (Val Copanic's father)

Graig Colantone (Nicole Pugh's father)

Dareen Craver-Angeloff (Rodney's mother)

Cheryl Fisher (Bev Meyers' Daughter)

Ella McBride (friend of Sherri Craver)

Shannon Poole (daughter of Sherry and Tim Gleason)

Bonnie Jorza (Linda Frayer's Sister-in-Law)

Pam & Sam Clay (Cousins of Debbie Rendes & Diane Reinhart)

Andreas Reichart (Carole Rummell's cousin)

Cheryl Beanblossom (Valerie Copanic's sister)

Alan Bray (friend of Keeley Family)

Family of Melissa Keeley

Joan Williams

Kellan Schmidt (Meyers' friend)

Dot Cathers (Jane Meyers' friend)

John Anderson & Family (Friends of Bill Reinhart)

Ed Buila (Terry Keeley's brother in law)

Rusty Garland

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Eastminster Presbytery and staff
Our Mineral Ridge Church Family
Niles Community Services
Warren & Youngstown Rescue Missions
Refugees
Rev. Kade Mastra (Indonesian Partner)
Peace and healing for our country
Casa de Buen Trato
Ukraine
World Leaders
Jed and Jenny Koball (Peru)
Our PC(USA) coworkers
Revs. Scott & Elmarie Parker

Announcements

Information sent after Thursday at 9 am may not make it into the bulletin.

Gifts to the Glory of God and in Memory of Betty Garland have been received from Darryl & Jane Meyers.

Our next Community Pantry food distribution will be held on Tuesday, August 22^{nd} from 10am-12pm. Please call the office or see Tim Gleason if you would like to help out with this event.



Birthday Wishes

Cindy Garris 07/24 Joshua Butcher 07/25 William Reinhart 07/25 Fred Fisher 07/27 Kenneth Baker 07/28 Shelly Rummell 07/29

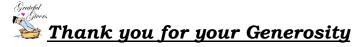
Anniversary Wishes

Tom & Shirley Brodie 07/29

Responsibilities



Pastor- Rev. Kori Robbins
Liturgist- Andy Konsol
Elder- Jane Meyers
Deacon- Melissa Keeley
Story Circle-Olivia Meyers
Media- Alyssa Strange



July 16th \$1,319

July 09th \$1,499

July 02nd \$2,340



THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 23rd 10:00am Outdoor Worship/

Summer Potluck

Monday, July 24th 7:00pm Al-Anon/Al-Ateen

Sunday, July 30th 10:00am Worship/Fellowship

<u>Staff</u>

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Olivia Meyers Alyssa Strange

Hours

Pastor's Office Hours General Office Hours

Monday-Thursday Tuesday/Thursday 9am-3pm 9am-1pm

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