

First Presbyterian Church of Mineral Ridge

Pentecost & New Member Sunday May 28, 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.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Gather as God's People

OPENING PRAYER – *let us pray.*

Adam was called to walk with God, Joseph was called to dream, Esther was called to free the faithful and Mary was called to bear God among us. Over and over again, we hear the stories of the called. Their inexperience, their doubt, but they heard and followed the call of God anyway. Jesus called little ones to show the way to the kingdom, called the sick and hungry and imprisoned, called those despised and rejected to be in his company. Jesus sees the young and the old, our courage and our fears, our wisdom and our faith and calls us to him anyway. Holy and Loving God, we give thanks and praise to you today as we celebrate Pentecost and as we welcome new members into our fold. Be with us today and always. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP – Please stand and join me in the call to worship. Who gathers in this place? The assured doubters. The questioning believers. Who are they who call this place home? The timid proclaimers. The brashly meek. Who belongs in this community? Grudge-holding peacemakers. Sinning saints. Who is welcome in the heart of God? All of us. In our wisdom and in our folly, in our failure and in our success, in our heartache and in our joy, we are welcome in the heart of God.

*HYMN #525 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**

CALL TO CONFESSION – Please be seated.

To come before God with the truth of our lives is itself an act of faith: we trust that the Holy One is interested in us, interested in our minds and hearts and souls. We trust that God's mercy and grace are intended for us, too. With faith and in trust, let us make our confession to God, first in silent prayer. **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION** - Please join me in the unison prayer of confession.

We confess, O God, that our lives do not reflect our beliefs. If we believed fully in peace, we wouldn't sow seeds of discord. If we believed passionately in forgiveness, we wouldn't hold grudges. If we believed deeply in generosity, we would not store up treasures for ourselves. Have mercy, O God, for our sometimes, shallow faith. Encourage within us both true faith and true lives. Deal graciously, we pray, for we are stuck on ourselves.

KYRIE #572

"Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy up on us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Let not your hearts be troubled. God forgives. God restores. Rejoice and be glad. **In God, our sins are forgiven.**

SUNG RESPONSE #582 (GtG)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, who grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** – at this time, all children are invited up to hear a short message! We would ask that all our kids stay with their families during the confirmation of Olivia Meyers immediately following the children's message. After, they may leave for Story Circle.

BAPTISM

Keely Brister Thomas Painter

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION- *Let us pray.*

Compassionate God, all creation delights in your radiant presence of your Word. May the authority of your Spirit bring understanding into our confused minds and truth into our troubled hearts, that we may praise and serve Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

READING Acts 2:1-4

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

The Word of God for the People of God. Amen.

SERMON

Rev. Kori Robbins

CONFIRMATION

Olivia Meyers

We Respond to God's Love

CALL FOR OFFERING

In the kingdom of God, we find that generosity of spirit, generosity of possessions & the radical sharing of skills are practiced openly. All gifts are important to God, so as the offering plate comes around, place your hand over it, committing to God that you will use your time, talent and treasures for furthering the work of God's kingdom.

OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE #324**

Open my mouth and let me bear Gladly the warm truth everywhere; Open my heart and let me prepare Love with Thy children thus to share. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready my God, Thy will to see; Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit Divine!

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

God of grace, you are the source of all we have gained, but your greatest gift is the new life we receive in Christ. We offer our gifts today in the hope that you will use us as your hands and feet in the world. In Jesus name we pray, amen.

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS BY AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jamie Goodman Terry Goodman Terry Keeley Jessica Painter

*HYMN #488 (GtG)

I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

We Go Out to Serve God

LAYING ON OF HANDS

At this time, we invite everyone up to lay hands on our new members as we pray for them.

***BENEDICTION**

*CLOSING RESPONSE #743 Step by Step

O God, You are my God and I will ever praise You O God, You are my God and I will ever praise You I will seek You in the morning And I will learn to walk in Your ways And step by step You'll lead me And I will follow You all of my days

Prayer List

MEMBERS TO REMEMBER

Mary Alice SeabornMarlyne YoungHelen RedmondShirley Dull

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH, SUPPORT AND CONCERN

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

Family of Betty Garland Megan Taylor (Carole's cousin) Amos Rodgers & Cody Tittle (Marlene's friends) James Tincher (Marlene's son) Clayton & Eileen (Bev Myers' family friends) Barb and Alan (friends of Suzie McCabe) Paul Stevens (Bev Myers' son) Marty O'Neill 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) Samara Fabian Bonnie Jorza (Linda Frayer's Sister-in-Law) Lora McGlynn (Marty O'Neill's friend) Dale Jaquin (January Rendes' Uncle) Pam & Sam Clay (Cousins of Debbie Rendes & Diane Reinhart) Andreas Reichart (Carole Rummell's cousin) Lacie Weber (Kathy Graham's Daughter) Kristen Graham (Kathy Graham's Daughter-in-Law) Amanda (Jessica Painter's friend)

Cheryl Beanblossom (Valerie Copanic's sister) Alan Bray (friend of Keeley Family) Janiece Eischen (Melissa Keeley's Aunt) Jane Meyers Joan Williams Lenora Jones Rev. Dr. Betty Angelini (FPC Warren)

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 Earthquake victims in Turkey & Syria The Community of East Palestine

Announcements

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

The Pentecost Offering is one of the special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (USA). It will be dedicated today, The Day of Pentecost, May 28. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps to support young people in the church.



Tracey Palomo 5/29 Debbie Rendes 5/30 Sherri Craver 5/31



Pastor- *Rev. Kori Robbins* Liturgist- *Bethany Glidewell* Elder- *Lisa Sorg* Deacon- *Shirley Brodie* Music- *Anita Miller* Story Circle - *Olivia Meyers* Media- *Alyssa Strange*



May 21st \$1,006 May 14th \$897 May 07th \$3,925



THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 28th

Wear Red for Pentecost

10:00am

Worship/Baptism/ New Member Sunday/ Fellowship

Monday, May 29th

7:00pm

Al-Anon/Al-Ateen

Sunday, June 3rd

10:00am

Worship/Fellowship

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Olivia Meyers

Hours

Pastor's Office Hours

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

General Office Hours

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