



First Presbyterian Church of Mineral Ridge

**2nd Sunday of Pentecost
June 11, 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.*

Oh, mighty God, your light shines with power in the world. We ask that you shine your light on us today. Chase away the darkness of sin, the darkness of fear and doubt and despair. Fill us with the light of the darkness of fear and doubt and despair. We are told that Jesus is the light of the world. We ask that you fill us with the light of your truth Make us shining

examples of your amazing grace, redeeming love, and life-changing power. **Amen.**

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

God has set before us life and death.

We long to choose life.

God has set before us blessings and curses.

We long to choose blessings.

So we gather this morning around the table—Christ’s table.

We gather to drink the cup of blessing; to eat the bread of life.

Let us share the meal together. Let us feast on the Word.

Let us worship God with joy!

***HYMN #749 (GtG)** *Come! Live in the Light!*

Come! live in the light!

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom,

To live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain: *We are called to act with justice.
We are called to love tenderly.
We are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.*

Come! Open your heart!

Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called to be hope for the hopeless,

*So hatred and violence will be no more! **Refrain***

*Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign and we'll walk with each other
As sisters and brothers united in love! **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.*

Confessing is like walking into a dark cave, seeing nothing, hearing nothing –We do not know what we will find there. Maybe we will find the bones of things long dead. Maybe we will find the living wings of a bat, or the thousand feet of some worm thing. Maybe we will find the silence not at all quiet, but full of unknown rustles. Maybe we will find ourselves, and find old hurts or desires that are long dead, and find the thousand feet of some urge or temptation that could carry us away in a heartbeat. But it is only in the deepest dark that we can see the tiny light that is always present, that sliver that comes from an unknown place, that sliver of light that give us hope, that sliver of light that looks a bit like grace. It is only in the stillest silence that we can hear the whisper of mercy. Amen.

KYRIE #572

“Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us,
Lord have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear this good news and see the grace of God:
You are forgiven. You are free to go and live in the light
of love.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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! After, kindergarten and younger can be dismissed to Story Circle with Olivia Meyers. Those older than kindergarten may return to their pews. We have activity bags available for their use in the back.*

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.

FIRST READING*Isaiah 9:1-7*

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onwards and for evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

*The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

SECOND READING*John 8:12*

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.’

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

We Respond to God's Love

***HYMN #314 (GtG)** *Christ, Be Our Light*

*Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.*

Refrain: *Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

*Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice. **Refrain***

*Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed. **Refrain***

*Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
Walls made of living stone. **Refrain***

*Many the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.*

*Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come. **Refrain***

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 these gifts as signs of our commitment to claim Christ's resurrection as your gift, for you have claimed us in his life. Amen.

EUCCHARIST – *see insert*

We Go Out to Serve God

***HYMN #539 (GtG)** *We Will Go Out With Joy*

*We will go out with joy in the Spirit;
We will go out with God.
We will go out with joy in the Spirit;
We will go out with God.*

Refrain: *Alleluia! We will go out with joy.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Now anyone who's born of the Spirit,
Sing a new song of Joy.
Now anyone who's born of the Spirit,
Sing a new song of Joy. **Refrain***

*We will go out with joy in the Spirit;
We will go out with God.
We will go out with joy in the Spirit;
We will go out with God. **Refrain***

***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 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)

Barb and Alan (friends of Suzie McCabe)

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)

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)

Cheryl Beanblossom (Valerie Copanic's sister)

Alan Bray (friend of Keeley Family)

Janiece Eischen (Melissa Keeley's Aunt)

Joan Williams

Kellan Schmidt (Meyers' friend)

Dot Cathers (Jane Meyers' friend)

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.*

*Book Club meets Tuesday, June 13th at 4pm in
the Lounge. Hope to see you there!*

Pastor Kori is hosting a BBQ in the backyard of the Manse on June 20th at 6pm. Bring a dish or beverage to share and a chair to sit in. Spouses and children welcome.

Birthday Wishes



Will Cupan 06/15



Anniversary Wishes

Diane & Joseph Koch
06/17

Responsibilities



Pastor- *Rev. Kori Robbins*
Liturgist- *Melissa Keeley*
Elder- *Carole Rummell*
Deacon- *January Rendes*
Music- *Anita Miller*
Story Circle-*Olivia Meyers*
Media- *Alyssa Strange*



**Thank you for
your Generosity**

June 04th \$
May 28th \$622
May 21st \$1,006



THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 11 th	10:00am	Worship/Communion/ Fellowship
Monday, June 12 th	7:00pm	Al-Anon/Al-Ateen
Tuesday June 13 th	4:00pm	Book Club
Sunday, June 18 th	10:00am	Worship/Fellowship

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Hours

Pastor's Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
9am-3pm

General Office Hours

Tuesday/Thursday
9am-1pm

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