



Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Pentecost

10:30 a.m.



Statement of Welcome & Inclusion

As followers of Jesus, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We are committed to creating an inclusive space of belonging and safety. Therefore, this community of faith welcomes into full participation, membership, and leadership, persons of diverse age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, level of education, class, or income.

Rooted in the Reformed tradition, we affirm that “God alone is Lord of the conscience,” allowing for a breadth of diverse theological and biblical interpretations. We covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we apply our faith in the circumstances of our lives and in the matters of our world.

Welcome!

We are glad you are worshiping with us today.

*Childcare is available from 8:45 a.m. to noon in Room 3 of the Kuhn Education Wing.
We also invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary.*

Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).

Linda Kelley has provided the chancel flowers this morning in honor of the May and June birthdays of her sons, Philip and Christopher.

Worship begins with the first note of the prelude — may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.

Prelude

We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost
Janice Mills, Guest Organist

Dietrich Buxtehude

Welcome

*Call to Worship

L: In those days, said the Lord —

P: **In those days after Jesus rose from the dead, in those days when no one really knew what was going on or what was going to happen —**

L: In those days, God exhaled the Holy Spirit.

P: **And when the disciples pushed out their fear,**

L: And as dancing flames heralded the arrival of something new,

P: **And as the birth cry was the cries of many languages, all understood —**

L: In those days, the church was born, out of fear and fire,

P: **With joy and awe.**

L: The church was born.

P: **Our church.**

L: God's church.

P: **Let us worship God.**

*Hymn 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

*Call to Confession/Silent Personal Confession

In all humility and faith, let us confess our sin before God and one another, first in silence and then responsively. Let us pray.

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

The forgiving love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made brand new. Alleluia and Amen.

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

Children's Message

(After the message, preschool and elementary-age children are invited to follow volunteers to the Little Kirk for an age-appropriate worship experience.)

The Rev. Stuart Seelman

First Reading (NT, p. 119):

Acts 2:1-21

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song
The Chancel Choir

arr. Robert Lau

Second Reading (NT, p. 174):

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

*Hymn 361

O Christ, the Great Foundation

Affirmation of Faith (from the “Brief Statement of Faith,” PCUSA)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

*Hymn 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord
Janice Mills, guest organist

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

*Doxology (Tune: “Old Hundredth”)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

For the wondrous gift of life, we are thankful, O God. Your generous outpouring of grace reminds us of the fruitful life we are called to bear. May these gifts of time and labor, therefore, embody our desire to share and contribute to your coming reign among us. Amen.

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 298 (v. 1,2,4,5) *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Peter C. Lutkin

Postlude *Toccata in e minor* Johann Pachelbel
Janice Mills, guest organist

IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- Summer is almost here! Today is the Chancel Choir's last appearance until fall. **And, beginning next Sunday, June 4, through the end of August, the worship service starts at 9:30 a.m.**
- Kirk Kids concludes for the school year today, but **during the summer there will be kids' worship activities in the Sanctuary's activity area**, as well as regular childcare in Room 3 of the Kathy Kuhn Education Wing.
- Want to support MATE and enjoy some fellowship? The Deacons are bringing in items for a **potluck brunch, which will be held after worship on Sunday, June 4, in Fellowship Hall.** Please donate to MATE in exchange for a delicious meal. Following brunch, **MATE team members will meet at 11 a.m. in the Blue Room.**
- **The CHPC Annual Congregational Meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 11, in the Sanctuary.** The Annual Report was distributed electronically on May 25. Hard copies of the report will be available by request; please contact Andrea in the church office at aebeling@thechpc.com or (717) 737-0488 to request a printed version.
- **Please support our mission by purchasing MATE stock.** Sponsor cards can be found in the pew racks, you can make a donation via the church website, or you can purchase stock from a volunteer in the Gathering Place on Sundays. For more information, contact Ellen Smith at mfssail@comcast.net or (717) 645-0845.
- Blast off for five days of summer fun in God's Word at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church! **This Vacation Bible School morning program, Monday, June 12, through Friday, June 16, is for Pre-K to elementary-age children.** It will feature storytelling, games, music, snacks, dance and song, and so much more! Claim your child's spot for "Stellar VBS" by registering on our website or contacting Associate Pastor Stuart Seelman at sseelman@thechpc.com.
- **PW collects new and gently used blankets year-round for the Downtown Daily Bread Emergency Shelter and personal care items (toilet paper, bar soap, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, etc.) for the Ecumenical Food Pantry.** Please put your donations in the designated boxes in the Donation Station area of the Gathering Place.
- **Quilters and Crafters for Mission meet every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Quilters and Crafters Room** off Fellowship Hall. Work is done on a variety of projects such as quilting, knitting, crocheting, and crafting. New members to the group are always welcome.

CHPC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, May 29

Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

9:15 a.m. — CHPC Volunteers Providing Water for Memorial Day Parade; Church Lawn

1 p.m. — Quilters and Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room

Tuesday, May 30

6 p.m. — West Shore A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 31

9 a.m. — Prayer Fellowship; Green Room

Friday, June 2

3 p.m. — Camp Hill High School Baccalaureate Practice; Sanctuary

6:30 p.m. — Camp Hill High School Baccalaureate; Sanctuary

Sunday, June 4

8 a.m. — Men's Bible Study; Room 14

8 a.m. — Exegesis; Green Room

9:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. — Deacons' Breakfast for MATE; Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. — Discipleship Committee Meeting; Green Room

11 a.m. — MATE Team Meeting; Blue Room

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