



Faith Community  
Presbyterian Church  
Worship and Celebration  
July 23, 2017

**COMING TOGETHER**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY**

*Please sign the Friendship Register and pass it to your neighbor.  
Prayer cards are located in the Friendship Registers.*

**APPROACHING GOD**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Harriet Kofta

Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and known me.  
You discern my thoughts from far away.

**People: You search out my path and my lying down,  
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Leader: Where can I go from your spirit?  
Or where can I flee from your presence?

**People: Search me, O God, and know my heart.  
See if there is any wicked way in me and  
lead me in the way everlasting.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN #209 "My Song Forever Shall Record"** Blue Hymnal

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**All: Our desire is to do your will, O God;  
your law is in our hearts.  
But when we are tempted by the vain  
promises of a life full of ease,  
our courage forsakes us and we submit  
to their charm.  
When enemies overpower us and mock our  
faith, we shrink back and abandon what  
Christ taught.  
Oh God, you are our help and salvation,  
and we look to you for forgiveness and  
hope.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Grace and peace are given to us in Christ Jesus.  
All who call on his name he claims as his own.  
Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*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.*

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**ANTHEM**

Alex Bednarek

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Jill Bednarek

*Children and teachers dismissed for Sunday school.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 32:22-32**

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Leader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Connor Bednarek

**\*HYMN #356 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

Blue Hymnal

**NEW TESTAMENT READING: Romans 8:22-27**

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Leader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON "Family Matters: Reaching Out, Building Up"**

Rev. Dan Michalek

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

All: In the same way,  
the Spirit helps us in our weakness.  
We do not know what we ought to pray for,  
but the Spirit himself intercedes for us  
through wordless groans.  
And he who searches our hearts knows

the mind of the Spirit,  
because the Spirit intercedes for God's  
people in accordance with the will of God.

(Romans 8:26-27)

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**SHARING CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS**

*Prayer Cards will be collected.*

**SILENT PRAYER**

**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 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.

**EXPRESSION OF THANKS FOR GOD'S GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn #592)**

*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.*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**GOING OUT TO SERVE**

**\*HYMN #229 "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"**

Blue Hymnal

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: May the God of peace make you holy in every  
way and keep your whole being- spirit, soul,  
and body- free from every fault at the  
coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Alleluia! Amen.

**\*POSTLUDE**

*(\* Indicates to those who are able, please stand)*