



Accepting who
Jesus is!



Greetings

Welcome to the community of Church of Peace United Church of Christ. We believe that all people are children of God and rejoice that you have chosen to worship God with us today. If you are visiting our community, we wish to extend our faith in Christian fellowship and hope that you will take a moment to visit with us after the service. If you have any questions prior to the service, please ask anyone in the community. We have all been visitors at some time in our life, and we are eager to assist you in any way. May the Holy Spirit fill us and guide us as we worship God together.

September 15th, 2024, Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00am
Gathering Music - Ringing of the Bells - Welcome and Announcements

We Prepare to Worship God

Prayer & Prelude

We Gather Around God's Word

A reading from Psalm 116

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 116)

One: Call upon the One Triune God who is gracious and merciful.

Many: We love our God, who has heard our cry, responds to our prayers, and abides with us through our distress.

One: Call upon Jesus Christ, who is gracious and merciful.

Many: We praise the Righteous One, who protects, provides, and prepares their people.

One: Call upon the Holy Spirit, who is gracious and merciful.

Many: We worship the Radiant One, who dwells within us in the land of the living.

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Invocation

Awesome Creator, we answer your call and gather to worship you. We have come to be in community with our neighbor. We have come onsite and online. We have come with quiet contemplation and boisterous joy. We have come in grief and with hope. We come to gather in your name, to honor your presence, and to give you praise. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

No. 4

*Prayer for Transformation and New Life

Loving God, we confess that you are a God of transformation. We strive to be like trees planted by the water, steadfast and unmovable, yet at the same time, we embrace your continuing creative acts in the world and in our lives. We also struggle at times to know when to remain firm and when to progress forward. Infuse us with your wisdom and discernment along with courage and grace to be fully who you have created us to be.

*Words of Grace

Pastor: Sisters and Brothers, God knows the journey that has shaped us and honors the efforts we have undertaken. God sustains us when we extend ourselves forward, and when we fall, God is merciful and grace-filled, forgiving us and sending us out. Therefore, rejoice because God delights in us. So, be bold and encouraged for God believes in you and walks with you every day.

Many: Let us accept our forgiveness and go out to continue Christ's work in the world. Praise be to God! Amen.

*The Passing of Christ's Peace in Community

Special music "Lord of the Dance" by Carter/Larson (Shaker Tune)

Pastoral Prayer a sharing of community and world prayers

Affirmation of Faith

One: We are not alone; we live in God's world.

All: We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Hymn

"Bring Many Names"

No. 10

We Engage God's Word

Scriptures

Proverbs 1:20-33 Mark 8:27-38

Multigenerational Lesson

Sermon

"Accepting Who Jesus Is!"

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to Generosity

One: God creates, sustains, and renews with abundant generosity.

Many: Let us demonstrate our participation in the kingdom, our trust in God, and the stewardship of our resources through our giving to support our collective ministry. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, may these gifts honor your name and your generous Spirit alive within us. We thank you for the opportunity and privilege of contributing to your kingdom and our world. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

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*The Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")

*Commissioning & Benediction

Postlude

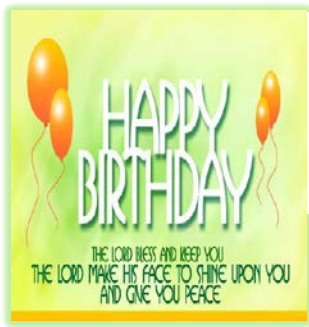
(*If you are able, please stand at the pastor's invitation)

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Rev. Stephen Stepp
Patricia Siekierke
Rob Giese
Victor Abitz
Nancy Zupke
All People



Minister
Organist
AV Tech
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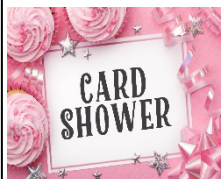
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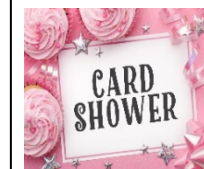
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