Order of Worship

Summer Worship 2020

Welcome

Welcome to worship. Gathering together whether near or far to worship God is a bold statement witnessing to the power and strength of Christ's Church.

Music – Presbyterian Peacemaking Project

Gathering Prayer

Holy God, you need no house to dwell in for all the earth and heaven is your home, and we worship you in every place where your glory is made known. Like our ancestors who crossed the wilderness following your pillar of cloud and fire, we assemble here not knowing where we are going, confident that our true home is in you alone.

As we gather from all over may your word of life be heard in all its extraordinary power and truly; may the seeking find welcome among us and in your waters of renewal and grace, may the hungry of heart be nourished and equipped to serve the world; and my lives be changed, making the life of the world ever new; through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen.

Music – If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

First Presbyterian Church of New Vernon Musicians

Jany Izaquirre – Piano Martin Sedek, Music Director Eileen Sedek, Soprano

Prayer for Illumination -

Lord God of the nations, you have revealed your call to all people and promised us your saving help. May we hear your words and make them a part of our everyday life. May the power of hatred be overcome by the gift of your healing grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture

Matthew 7: 24 - 27

²⁴ "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods

came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!"

Luke 10: 1 - 5

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!'

Sermon – A Deep Tap Root

Time for reflection – My Soul Finds Rest – Rev. Katy Shevel, Flute

Prayers of the People

For the church, the world, and all in need, let us pray to the Lord. Following Lord, in your mercy, respond with hear our prayer

We pray for your Church in every place, that we may worship and serve your faithfully... Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer

For leaders and people who work diligently to serve you and to announce the kingdom of God, grant them strength and wisdom...Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer

For justice throughout the world, that there may be true and deep peace for all people... Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer

For the earth you have made, may we find ways to care and repair so that all may live in its beauty and breathe the fresh air...Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

For all those who hunger and thirst, that they maybe filled and satisfied... Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

For those who are ill or close to death, for those who grieve the loss of loved ones, for those who are struggle to recover from the virus, may they know your loving care... Lord in your Mercy. Hear our Prayer

Receive all these prayers, O God, in the tenderness of your mighty hand, and strengthen our hands to serve you; and together we pray

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. Music – Lord I Give You the Great Commission

Benediction

Participants Credits

Rev. Jeanne Radak, Presbytery Leader, Presbytery of Newton Rev. Jeremy Campbell, Stated Clerk, Presbyteries of Newton and Elizabeth

Rev. Katy Shevel, Fairmount Presbyterian Church, Flute Jany Izaguirre, First Presbyterian Church of New Vernon, Piano Martin Sedek, First Presbyterian Church of New Vernon, music director Eileen Sedek, First Presbyterian Church of New Version, Soprano

The Presbyterian Peacemaking Program Choir