



October 27, 2024

Ordinary Time

GATHERING IN THE LORD'S PRESENCE

Boldface = All speak

❖ = All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE "Brother James' Air"
James L. Bain, Arr. by John Carter

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT..... "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"
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❖**CALL TO WORSHIP**

We have come here together

in the presence of an awesome Host.

Here is patience and generosity, beyond our imagining.

Here is love and joy beyond our dreaming.

God satisfies those who are thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

O give thanks to God who is so good, whose love goes on forever!

❖**HYMN** "God of Grace and God of Glory" **#307**
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❖**CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER**

Merciful God, we live in a society that focuses on gathering things. We collect, store, and gather items, gadgets, even people. We are always building barns of one sort or another to hold what we think of as our treasures. We build bank accounts, investment portfolios, collections of valuables. We think we need bigger houses and larger garages for all our wonderful stuff, while we miss the greatest treasure of our lives; your love and your mercy. While we focus our energies on our barn building efforts, we bar the door to the needs of others, of those who have little or nothing, of those for whom life has been a constant struggle. (a time for silent confession) Forgive us. Turn us around to look at the ways in which our wealth blinds us. Turn us around to see how what we have can be used for healing and hope. Amen.

❖ **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

❖ **AFFIRMING THE PEACE AMONG US**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

GLORIA PATRI.....Henry W. Greatorex (*Public Domain*).....**#581**

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God, open us to your Word proclaimed and read. Help us not to turn from your truth or avoid and distract ourselves from your message. Help us be receptive to the wisdom you offer in this worship moment. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM....."Built on a Rock"

(Words based on a 1909 text by Carl Doving; additional words and music by Jay Althouse)

SCRIPTURELuke 12:13-21 NRSV, pg. 1484

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGEThe Rev. Lesley Weir

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

❖ **HYMN** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" **#716**

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❖ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*excerpts from A 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 Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(p. 35 in the hymnal)*

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

DOXOLOGY Genevan Psalter *(Public Domain)*..... **#606**

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT & SERVE

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP David Wroth

MINUTE FOR MISSION Nick Shargo (Thanksgiving Baskets)

❖ **HYMN** "Take My Life" **#697**
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❖SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE..... "This Is My Father's World"
English Folk Song, Arr. by John Carter

Worship Leader: The Rev. Lesley Weir

The Rev. Lesley Weir earned an undergraduate degree in Industrial Management from Purdue University and a Masters of Divinity from McCormick Theological Seminary. She has also done further studies in preaching at Luther Seminary's Biblical Center for Preaching. After 45 years as a practicing Roman Catholic, holding a Certificate in Lay Ministries from the Archdiocese of Chicago, Lesley heard the call to ordained ministry and made the journey to the PCUSA. Since ordination, she has served as a hospice chaplain and pastor to two local congregations. She and her husband Scott share 5 children and 4 of the world's best grandchildren. Now happily retired, life sees her spending time with family, baking, and traveling every chance she gets.

Lector: Bob McNeas

Greeter/Usher: Beverly Mason

Worship Pianist: Amy Dickman

Offering Counters: Darly Doyle and Nancy Olson