

PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Percussion Meditation

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Gathering Song #741 Guide My Feet (Led by Sensational Sunday Participants.)

1. **Guide my feet while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
guide my feet while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)**
2. **Hold my hand while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
hold my hand while I run this race (yes, my Lord!)
hold my hand while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)**
3. **Stand by me while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
stand by me while I run this race (yes, my Lord!)
stand by me while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)**
4. **I'm your child while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
I'm your child while I run this race (yes, my Lord!)
I'm your child while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)**
5. **Search my heart while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
search my heart while I run this race (yes, my Lord!)
search my heart while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)**
6. **Guide my feet while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
guide my feet while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)**

Greeting

God is good.

All the time.

And all the time.

God is good.

Call To Worship

Come gather in the house of God's dwelling.
Come sing loud songs of thanksgiving;
come proclaim God's wondrous deeds;
 Let us worship God.

*Hymn #328 Praise God, All You Nations

Praise God, all you nations.
People of God, sing praise!
Praise God, all you nations.
People of God, sing praise:
God's love is great and endures forever.
Praise God, all you nations.
People of God, sing praise!

Da n'ase! Da n'ase! Da Onyame ase!
Da n'ase! Da n'ase! Da Onyame ase!
Efiase oye n'a n'adoe doe so.
Da n'ase! Da n'ase! Da Onyame ase!

(Repeat English verse.)

*Call to Confession

*Confession of Sin

You gave us commandments, God of love, because you know the hardness of our hearts.
You have created us to live in community, and still we oppress others and separate ourselves
from each other and from you. Jesus loved the children, but there are still children in the
world who live in hunger or fear, rejected and unloved.
Forgive us, and call us to faithfulness. Bind all your children together as sisters and brothers,
and nurture us with your love and forgiveness, that we might share what we have been given,
and receive your kingdom with the wonder and gratitude of children. In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

*Words of Grace

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you. (A sign of peace is exchanged.)

*Response: Peace Be With You

Ji-jo-ho ni tin.
Ji-jo-ho ni tin,
po-ome-po-po, a-men,
po-ome-po-po, a-men.

Peace be with you.
Peace be with you,
and with all of us, amen
and with all of us, amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First reading: Job 1:1, 2:1-10

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The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Children's Chat

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

Second reading: Mark 10:2-16

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The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Sermon

Communion At the Fence

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn #506 Look Who Gathers At Christ's Table**

**1. Look who gathers at Christ's table!
 Hear the stories that they bring.
 Some are weeping; some are laughing;
 some have songs they want to sing.
 Others ask why they're invited,
 burdened by the wrong they've done.
 Christ insists they all are welcome.
 There is room for everyone.**

**2. Clouds of light surround the table;
 ancient followers appear,
 saints confessing how they wrestled
 with their guilt, their doubt and fear.
 Peter tells of his denying
 Christ was ever in his sight;
 Paul relates his fruitless efforts
 to obliterate the light.**

**3. Their sad stories are repeated
 in a thousand different ways,
 but they share one thing in common:
 they all end in thanks and praise
 for the host who has invited
 north and south and east and west
 to converge around this table,
 where all life is fed and blest.**

**4. Bring your joy and bring your sadness,
 and prepare to be surprised
 by the host whose hands are wounded,
 who will open wide your eyes
 when he blesses bread and breaks it—
 truth and manna from above!—
 and then passes wine that wakens
 in your heart the taste of love.**

***Affirmation of Faith- Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Musical Offering

Waacheni Watoto Waje Kwangu

Mark Burrows

(Let the Children Come)

Chancel Choir

***Praise God (Hymn #608)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Response #562 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

Response #563: Christ Has Died: Christ Is Risen

**Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

Response #564 Amen

Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread**Communion of the People****Prayer after Communion**

Thank you, O God, for giving us communion with our risen and glorious Lord. Now send us out to be a sign of the new life that has come into the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME**Sending the Church into Mission**

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.

***Hymn #340 This Is My Song**

**1. This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.**

**2. My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.**

**3. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:
thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations:
myself I give thee; let thy will be done.**

***Benediction and Congregational Response - Hymn #399 God Welcomes All**

**God welcomes all,
strangers and friends;
God's love is strong
and it never ends.**

Postlude