

Welcome to the Panther Valley Ecumenical Church

We are glad you are worshiping with us today!



PANTHER VALLEY ECUMENICAL CHURCH

July 31, 2022

Worship in the Episcopal Tradition

*Connecting with the Community,
Growing Disciples, and Serving Jesus Christ*

Our Worship can be viewed on our website

PantherValleyChurch.org

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8th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

We invite you to begin your personal preparation at the beginning of the prelude.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN #100

God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us

Verse 1

God, whose love is reigning o'er us,
source of all, the ending true;
Hear the universal chorus
raised in joyful praise to you:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
worship ancient, worship new.

Verse 3

Holy God of ancient glory,
choosing man and woman too;
Abram's faith and Sarah's story
formed a people bound to you.
Alleluia, Alleluia,
to your covenant keep us true.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

LEADER: Lord, open our lips.

ALL: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

LEADER: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.
Let us now say together:

JUBILATE Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.**

Know that the Lord is God.

**It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.**

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

**For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

COLLECT (see insert)

THE LESSONS

LEADER: The first lesson is from The Old Testament: Hosea 11:1-11.
(see insert)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107: 1-9, 43 (see insert)

LEADER: The second lesson is from Colossians 3:1-11.
(see insert)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: ALL STAND, Luke 12:13-21
(see insert)

LEADER: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

ALL: Glory to you Lord Christ.

LEADER: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;***

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

And now as our Lord Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LEADER: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

ALL: **And grant us your salvation.**

LEADER: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

ALL: **Let your people sing with joy.**

LEADER: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

ALL: **For only in you can we live in safety.**

LEADER: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

ALL: **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

LEADER: Let your way be known upon earth;

ALL: **Your saving health among all nations.**

LEADER: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

ALL: **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

LEADER: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

ALL: **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

JOYS & CONCERNS

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERING

Ascribe to the Lord and bring honor and gifts unto His name.

OFFERTORY

THE DOXOLOGY

(unison)

*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. Amen.*

HYMN #100

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Lift we then our human voices
in the songs that faith would bring;
Live we then in human choices
lives that, like our music sing:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
joined in love our praises ring!

MINUTES FOR MISSION

Buildings & Grounds

John and Connor Samanns

BENEDICTION

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

LEADER: Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*Today's altar flowers are given by Syndie to celebrate the
birthdays of Dyllan & Skiley Okemwa.*

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Hymn: <https://digitalsongsandhymns.com/songs/6232>

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Please pray for:

Kris, Tammie & Glenn, The Carroll Family on the loss of their brother Eric, Patrick McNeal (for release)

REMINDER TO PLEASE PULL THE LOCK BAR OVER THE DUMPSTER AFTER PUTTING BAGS INSIDE. The bears had a party Sunday night.

Also, please let Nikki know to call for trash pickup if you see the dumpster filling up as sometimes it isn't noticed.
Thank you!

Fall Rummage Sale & Christmas Boutique

Penny & Cylvia are planning the event for

Friday, November 4th 9am-3pm & Saturday, November 5th 9am-12pm.

There will also be a **bake sale** so baked goods will be appreciated! They need someone willing to coordinate the bake sale so please get in touch if you can help them.

Donations will be accepted Tuesdays & Thursdays beginning in September.

Reminder that we have moved some of the tables and chairs out of the way in **one half** of Fellowship Hall for a new group. When the hall is needed for church events requiring the **whole space** again, please let Nikki know and things can be put back for those times.

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~Welcome—we were built for you!~

Panther Valley Ecumenical Church is a multi-denominational church serving northwest New Jersey since 1969. We are formally affiliated with:

The Episcopal Church, The United Church of Christ,
The Presbyterian Church USA, and The United Methodist Church.

We are a congregation of many Christian traditions who worship together in accordance with Christ's prayer: "that they may all be one."

May God's Blessing go with you this week.

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