

Welcome to the Panther Valley Ecumenical Church

We are glad you are worshiping with us today!



PANTHER VALLEY ECUMENICAL CHURCH

July 3, 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

FRIENDS ~ FAMILY ~ FAITH

4th 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 #696

America The Beautiful Verses 1 & 2

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: 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

ONE: Lord, open our lips.

ALL: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

ONE: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Let us now say together:

VENITE Psalm 95:1-7

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

**For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

**O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!

COLLECT (see insert)

THE LESSONS

ONE: The first lesson is from The Old Testament: 2 Kings 5:1-14.
(see insert)

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30 (see insert)

ONE: The second lesson is from Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16.
(see insert)

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ONE: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

ALL: Glory to you Lord Christ.

GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
(see insert)

ONE: 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

ONE: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

ALL: And grant us your salvation.

ONE: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

ALL: Let your people sing with joy.

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

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

ONE: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

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

ONE: Let your way be known upon earth;

ALL: Your saving health among all nations.

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

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

ONE: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

ALL: And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;

for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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.

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America The Beautiful (Verse 3)

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

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Today's Altar Flowers are given in celebration of Betty Schultheis's grandson Luke's 16th birthday.

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Stewardship Snippet (Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Year C) July 3, 2022

Luke 10: 1-2

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

Indeed, the field is ready for the harvest, and the Lord of the harvest wants you and me (every one of us) out in the field. God wants us to take hold of the countless opportunities and challenges around us to bring Glory to the Lord of the harvest. So, talk to your friends and neighbors about YOUR church, help bring them into our fold - support our summer projects (Chicken Dinner, VBS) and we will increase the laborers for Christ Jesus! Donna Weinberg

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Please pray for:

The Ukrainian People & Our World, Refugees Everywhere, Our Church, The Payton Family who is Cylvia's daughter, Anne Cuff, Ann, Lori, John, Rob, Stacey, Cecelia, Billy, Jack & Joann, Donna, Margaret, Jerry, Afghanistan

Please fill out and return your survey ASAP. **Unfortunately, we only have received a handful.** It should be in your email or maybe you grabbed a hardcopy from church? **Your input will help us help the entire PVEC congregation.** Thank you from the Discernment Team

Regarding Facebook Livestreaming of Sunday Worship

There is a change to the way we have been streaming our Sunday services beginning this weekend. No longer will it be available on Facebook Live for simultaneous viewing on Sundays. However, you will still be able to watch each weekend's service by **going to the church website on Monday mornings after 10am.**

The annual choral festival in Ocean Grove will be held on Sunday, July 10. This free concert features hundreds of singers from churches throughout the state in addition to many other highly reputable instrumentalists and conductors. If interested in attending, please see Diane for further details.

We are still looking for volunteers to lead **Sunday school** over the summer. The sign-up sheet is located downstairs by the classrooms.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL registration is now available online. **WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS** so please let us know if you can help. Please email Ashley Washer at aewasher221@yahoo.com for more information.

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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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