



# GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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August 26, 2018 11:05am

Service of Worship  
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community*

PRELUDE "The Peaceable Things" Clay R. Christiansen  
Chris Krug, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Fred Holbrook  
*(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)*

MOMENT FOR MISSION Judy Barnes  
Johnson County Christmas Bureau

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the name of God, the Creator,  
**All: we gather.**  
One: In the name of God, the Redeemer,  
**All: we gather.**  
One: In the name of God, the Comforter,  
**All: we gather. We have come to worship God.**

\*HYMN 450 "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

COME AS A CHILD  
*(Worship bags are available for children who remain in the Sanctuary.  
Nursery-age children are welcome to be taken to our Nursery which is  
located in the Children's Wing. An usher can direct you.)*

Sing 664 "Morning Has Broken"  
*Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation; praise every morning,  
God's re-creation of the new day!*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*) From A Brief Statement of Faith (1983)  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

**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.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed  
and blessing the children,  
healing the sick  
and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts,  
forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**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.**

## \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.  
**All: And also with you and all others!**  
*(Let us greet one another with expressions of Jesus' love.)*

\*HYMN 223 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" HAMBURG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a  
Faith That Works in Real Life*

SUNG PRAISE arr. Richard Walters

"All Creatures of Our God and King"  
Beth & Jenna Lillian, duet  
*All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam, though silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 23 Katie Hearn  
*(Old Testament, Page 501)*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Philippians 3:1-11  
*(New Testament, Page 198)*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Gospel Partners: Knowing Christ" Fred Holbrook

*Sending People to Serve in the World*

COMMISSIONING OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION LEADERS  
Laura Holbrook and Miles McDonald

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC Chris Krug  
"Be Thou My Vision" arr. Bob Krogstad

\*HYMN 630 "Fairest Lord Jesus" CRUSADERS' HYMN

## \*CHARGE AND BEDICTION

POSTLUDE "An Epilogue of Praise" David Paxton  
Chris Krug, organ

*\*If convenient/able, please stand.*

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