



CHRIST  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## Welcome to Worship

JUNE 5, 2022

**Gathering Song: O Mighty Cross**

**†Call to Worship (Psalm 104:24,31,33)**

Pastor: O Lord, how many are your works! In wisdom you made them all. The earth is full of your creatures.

**People: May the glory of the Lord endure forever**

Pastor: May the Lord be glad in his works.

**Unison: I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.**

**†Hymn: Let All Things Now Living**

**† Invocation and the Lord's Prayer**

## First Scripture Readings

### Genesis 27:1-13; 18-21 Responsive

<sup>1</sup> When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could no longer see, he called for Esau his older son and said to him, “My son.”

**“Here I am,” he answered.**

<sup>2</sup> Isaac said, “I am now an old man and don’t know the day of my death. <sup>3</sup> Now then, get your equipment—your quiver and bow—and go out to the open country to hunt some wild game for me. <sup>4</sup> Prepare me the kind of tasty food I like and bring it to me to eat, so that I may give you my blessing before I die.”

<sup>5</sup> **Now Rebekah was listening as Isaac spoke to his son Esau. When Esau left for the open country to hunt game and bring it back, <sup>6</sup> Rebekah said to her son Jacob, “Look, I overheard your father say to your brother Esau, ‘Bring me some game and prepare me some tasty food to eat, so that I may give you my blessing in the presence of the LORD before I die.’**

<sup>8</sup> Now, my son, listen carefully and do what I tell you: <sup>9</sup> Go out to the flock and bring me two choice young goats, so I can prepare some tasty food for your father, just the way he likes it. <sup>10</sup> Then take it to your father to eat, so that he may give you his blessing before he dies.”

<sup>11</sup> **Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, “But my brother Esau is a hairy man while I have smooth skin. <sup>12</sup> What if my father touches me? I would appear to be tricking him and would bring down a curse on myself rather than a blessing.”**

<sup>13</sup> His mother said to him, “My son, let the curse fall on me. Just do what I say; go and get them for me.”

<sup>18</sup> **He went to his father and said, “My father.”**

“Yes, my son,” he answered. “Who is it?”

<sup>19</sup> **Jacob said to his father, “I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me. Please sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may give me your blessing.”**

<sup>20</sup> Isaac asked his son, “How did you find it so quickly, my son?”

**“The LORD your God gave me success,” he replied.**

<sup>21</sup> Then Isaac said to Jacob, “Come near so I can touch you, my son, to know whether you really are my son Esau or not.”

### Psalms 66:1-7; 16-20 Responsive

<sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup> Sing the glory of his name;  
make his praise glorious.

<sup>3</sup> Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!

**So great is your power  
that your enemies cringe before you.**

<sup>4</sup> **All the earth bows down to you;**

**they sing praise to you,  
they sing the praises of your name.”**

<sup>5</sup> Come and see what God has done,  
his awesome deeds for mankind!  
<sup>6</sup> He turned the sea into dry land,  
they passed through the waters on foot—  
come, let us rejoice in him.

<sup>7</sup> **He rules forever by his power,  
his eyes watch the nations—  
let not the rebellious rise up against him.**

<sup>16</sup> Come and hear, all you who fear God;  
let me tell you what he has done for me.  
<sup>17</sup> I cried out to him with my mouth;  
his praise was on my tongue.

<sup>18</sup> **If I had cherished sin in my heart,  
the Lord would not have listened;**

<sup>19</sup> **but God has surely listened  
and has heard my prayer.**

<sup>20</sup> **Praise be to God,  
who has not rejected my prayer  
or withheld his love from me!**

This is the Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

### **Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen,

### **†Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy**

### **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

**Pianist: Linda Johnson**

### **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Second Scripture Readings

### Genesis 27:26-29: 38-40 Responsive

<sup>26</sup> Then his father Isaac said to him, "Come here, my son, and kiss me."

<sup>27</sup> **So he went to him and kissed him. When Isaac caught the smell of his clothes, he blessed him and said,**

**"Ah, the smell of my son  
is like the smell of a field  
that the LORD has blessed.**

<sup>28</sup> May God give you heaven's dew  
and earth's richness—  
an abundance of grain and new wine.

<sup>29</sup> May nations serve you  
and peoples bow down to you.

**Be lord over your brothers,  
and may the sons of your mother bow down to you.  
May those who curse you be cursed  
and those who bless you be blessed."**

<sup>38</sup> Esau said to his father, "Do you have only one blessing, my father? Bless me too, my father!" Then Esau wept aloud.

<sup>39</sup> **His father Isaac answered him,  
"Your dwelling will be  
away from the earth's richness,  
away from the dew of heaven above.**

<sup>40</sup> You will live by the sword  
and you will serve your brother.  
But when you grow restless,  
you will throw his yoke  
from off your neck."

### Hebrews 11:13-21 Responsive

<sup>13</sup> All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth.

<sup>14</sup> **People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own.** <sup>15</sup> **If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return.** <sup>16</sup> **Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.**

<sup>17</sup> By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, <sup>18</sup> even though God had said to him, “It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.” <sup>19</sup> Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death.

<sup>20</sup> **By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau in regard to their future.**

<sup>21</sup> By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of Joseph’s sons, and worshiped as he leaned on the top of his staff.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon: Blessing Children with a Confident Future**

**Dr. James N. McGuire**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper (see page 6)**

**†Hymn: Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed?**

**Responsive Litany (Romans 8:31-34)**

Pastor: What then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

**People: He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things.**

Pastor: Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.

**Unison: Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.**

**Benediction**

**Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer**

**Pastor: Dr. James N. McGuire**

## **The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

### **† The Apostles Creed Unison**

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; 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.

### **† Prayer of Confession (Psalm 51:1-7) Unison**

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your unfailing love;  
according to your great compassion  
blot out my transgressions.

<sup>2</sup> Wash away all my iniquity  
and cleanse me from my sin.

<sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is always before me.

<sup>4</sup> Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are proved right when you speak  
and justified when you judge.

<sup>5</sup> Surely I was sinful at birth,  
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

<sup>6</sup> Surely you desire truth in the inward parts;  
you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

<sup>7</sup> Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;  
wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

### **Receiving the elements of the Lord's Supper**

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

**In Need of Prayer**

Karen Isles, surgery, 6/8  
 Patty Bodnar, surgery, 5/24  
 Janet Young, in rehab after falls  
 Cheri Boone's friend Dot, fall injuries  
 Janet Evans, adjustment to move to AZ  
 Eric Evans, Janet's son, Covid  
 Felicia, new diagnosis breast cancer  
 Relative of Sean Murphy  
 Jen Freese, pain  
 Alberta Weaver, home  
 Regina Higgs as caregiver to Alberta  
 Brenda Cook, blood pressure, kidney poor  
 Brenda's siblings, Bernard and Joyce  
 Don Rende's brother, Bob, poor health  
 David, friend of Cindy Taaffee  
 Marion, Dan ,friends of L.Szczepanek  
 Grace, injuries from a fall, per Gail N.  
 Ed Steele for mobility, back pain  
 Al Lindsay, chemotherapy for lung cancer  
 Boone's friend caring for invalid, age 102

**In Need of Prayer**

Judy Carr, injury and infection in hands  
 Mark (18) a-fib, Justin (16) knee surgery, grandsons of  
 Linda Szczepanek  
 Judy Dellinger, recovering from surgery  
 Marlene, relative of Gail Nastwold, eye cancer  
 Chris with stage 4 cancer, neighbor of Linda Szczpanek  
 Lauren, niece of Ron Lisowski  
 Alanna, serious surgery for auto injuries  
 Joanna, niece of Lucy McGuire, a young mom, cancer  
 Richard Abraham, son-in-law of Hartigs, improving  
 Margaret, Wilsons' friend, brain tumor  
 Keely, daughter of Linda Johnson, husband at sea 6 months  
 Darlene Little, heart health  
 John, friend of Cindy Taaffee, pancreatic cancer  
 Karen Isles, sister-in-law, completing chemo for cancer  
 Delilah, young relative of Isles family  
 Linda Johnson's mother, advanced dementia  
 Salvation for Edward, Laura, Nick  
 Jane Kilpatrick  
 Ken, son-in-law of Bev, Parkinson's, pain, walking problem

**Audio Sermons** can be heard on the church website: <http://christ-presbyterianchurch.org>

**Our Military:** Metzner's grandson; Bryan, relative of Teresa Lisowski, deployed to Iraq.

**Monthly Budget Need: \$18,333**

**Please pray for Peter & Renate Hartig in the recent death of their son, Gregor.**  
**Remember to pray for others still grieving losses as well.**

**Heidelberg Catechism: Q.66. Sacraments, part 2:** And this is God's eternal promise: to forgive our sins and give us eternal live by grace alone because of Christ's one sacrifice finished on the cross.



**Next Week, June 12, 2022, Following our Morning Worship Service**

Remember before Covid lockdowns?  
Our Annual Picnic returns with just a few changes.  
Our caterers from Mission BBQ will provide “box lunches”  
of delicious barbecue.

**Please sign up to select your preference.**

No need for you to bring a dish,  
but you may drop a contribution  
in the basket, if you can.

Enjoy the comradery with friends, or make a new friend.

Don't neglect your spiritual food this week. In addition to Sunday Morning Worship, we offer:

- Adult Sunday School at 9:30 am. Pastor McGuire is guiding us through the book of Genesis.
- Wednesday evening Bible Study, taught by Pastor McGuire at 6 pm. Explore today's relevancy of the Minor Prophet, Malachi.



