

Order for Worship in Many Places
Parkrose Community United Church of Christ + Portland, Oregon
September 25, 2022/ Pentecost 16C
10:00 a.m. (livestream)

Welcome

Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. Rejoice my family and neighbors, this is the day that our God has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prelude

Niki Farley

Gathering Song

"The Land of Broken Promises"

PS22 Children's Choir

As sung by the PS22 Chorus for Chris Corner of IAMX and Sneaker Pimps.

#landofbrokenpromises #iamx #chriscorner #ps22chorus #ps22

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQMivQkgCTo>

Prayer in One Voice

Our hope is in the One who creates expansive love, calling us to do the same. Follow the One who never breaks covenant. We follow the One whose extravagant love calls us to co-create justice for the oppressed, feed the hungry, unlock prisons, and welcome strangers, orphans, and widows. We praise the Spirit that spans the ages. *Tim Graves*

Young People's Time

Erica Martin

Peace Meditation

The Long Journey North: The Reverse Freedom Rides of 1962

The "Reverse Freedom Rides," as they were called, have largely disappeared from the country's collective memory, but some see echoes of this dark past in America's present-day immigration debate.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RB_QR-QPx6Q

Song

"Water" (Live)

Micah Bournes & Lucee

Download the entire project for free at micahbournes.bandcamp.com

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pI9Ic8yPbus>

Modern Testimony

The poor are a by-product of the system in which we live and for which we are responsible. They are marginalized by our social and cultural world. They are the oppressed, exploited, robbed of the fruit of their labor and despoiled of their humanity. Hence the poverty of the poor is not a call to generous relief action, but a demand that we go and build a different social order. Gustavo Guitierrez

Words from Tradition

Luke 16:19-31

Rita McCarty

Exploring the Word

Stories that Shape Us

Pastor Dianne and Ruin

Meditation

Stories Shape Us

Holly Tarquini, TEDxYouth@Bath

This talk was given at a TEDx event using the TED conference format but independently organized by a local community. Learn more at <http://ted.com/tedx>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jMEajG_cvC0

Prayers of the People

As one heart is lifted, May we share its celebration. As one heart is burdened may we share the pain it knows. (Gretta Vosper/wwg). Are there any prayer concerns? (Please come forward to the microphone.) We continue to pray with gratitude for the micro-village going up on our campus. A big thank you to everyone working to make this happen and will continue to be a part of this vital ministry. Let us pray for the Harrison family as they continue to grieve the death of professor Harrison. Rita asks for prayers for everyone affected by floods. Let us pray for anyone else sick with Covid and for their caregivers. We pray for the family and friends of those who have died from gun violence.

Praying in the Spirit of Jesus

Gracious Spirit, who loves us like a mother, whose realm is blooming among us now. And within. We pray that your compassion guide us in every action. Give us what we need for each day, and help us to be satisfied with the miracle of that alone. Forgiver, whose grace brings us to wholeness without our asking, may we reconcile ourselves to one another in humility. And may we cancel the crushing debts that imprison our neighbors so that communities of joy and health may flourish. May we neither profit from nor ignore evil. But ever work to abolish it with non-violence as we co-create the realm of peace in this world. Now and each day. Amen. (BHesla/wsj)

Sharing Signs of Peace

Connecting with the World

Friends – our worship concludes, but our service continues.
We didn't just GO to church – WE ARE THE CHURCH

Blessing and Response

Eagle's Wings

And I will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's Hand

Life of the Community

Our Offering to God and God's Work

Please continue to give to this congregation, by setting up monthly bill pay to the church through your bank or credit union. Or use your credit card or PayPal: click the donate button on our website www.parkroseucc.org. Writing a check and dropping it in the mail to us works really well, too! Let's make sure we support our church.

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