

Order for Worship in Many Places
Parkrose Community United Church of Christ + Portland, Oregon
July 3, 2022 Pentecost 4C/Communion Sunday + 10:00 a.m. (livestream)

Welcome

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

Prelude

Niki Farley

Gathering Song

“Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)”

PS22 Chorus

SONG: "Good Riddance (Time Of Your Life)" by Green Day

FILMED BY: Ms. Lisa

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=591574409345195>

Prayer in One Voice

**From the corners of this city, from the confusion of life, from the loneliness of our hearts
Gather us, O God. To feed our minds, to fire our imagination, to free our hearts Gather us, O
God.** (Burgess & Polhill/e&a)

Young People's Time

Erica Martin

Peace Moment

Both sides of abortion debate ready for Roe v. Wade reversal

If the Supreme Court strikes down Roe v. Wade it will have a major impact in states across the U.S. that have already signaled their intention to restrict or ban abortion. Samuel Rodriguez, president of the National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference, and Michele Goodwin, law professor at the University of California, Irvine and author of "Policing the Womb," join Geoff Bennett to discuss.

<https://www.allarts.org/programs/pbs-newshour/the-end-of-ro-1651704957/>

Song

“Love is Greater than Fear”

The Many

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l23Dkmyy1Cw>

Modern Testimony

“Hey, everyone at Parkrose UCC! My name's David Libby. I'm a pastor at St. Johns Church.. In 2019-2020, we worked with JOHS and a local nonprofit to put a tiny home village on our land. I saw a news report about your project and am ecstatic that you're moving ahead with it. I imagine you're getting the same amount and level of crap from neighbors and businesses in the area that we did. It can feel super hurtful and borderline abusive at times. I just want you to know that I'm so grateful for your tenacity, and for doing good in the face of opposition. While we faced a ton of backlash, I wouldn't change what we did. There are people who formerly slept on our property (and one of whom used to deal heroin and meth on our property) who are now getting help and case management, and who sleep behind a door with a lock. The work is worth it. And I'm so glad you're doing it.” Pastor David

Words from Tradition

Genesis 24:1-67

Walter Lersch

Exploring the Word

Poured Out

Pastor Dianne and Mercedes

Meditation

AN INVITATION INTO AN ALTERNATIVE REALITY

Dominique D Gilliard

FEATURING DOMINIQUE D GILLIARD

Dominique D Gilliard on reconciliation and the good news of the Gospel and the invitation into an alternative reality. (Created in friendship with www.cdda.org).

<https://www.theworkofthepeople.com/an-invitation-into-an-alternative-reality>

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 who has made this happen and will continue to be a part of this vital ministry. Let us pray for the family and friends of the migrant workers found dead in an abandoned truck in San Antonio. Rita asks for prayers for the family and friends of the baby who was killed by a stray bullet in Portland. We pray for those who are food insecure. We pray for our houseless brothers and sisters. Let us pray for Cyndi sick with Covid and 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

Communion

Jesus said "Come to me all you who are weary and I shall give you rest"

INVITATION

Come travelers in life to every table where you are welcome. Come dusty or dressed up, hungry or full. Come lonely or in company, awkward or at ease. Come to receive what is given, to offer your peace and kindness, to say the words that are in your heart. Come to this table as host and guest, even as Christ is Guest and Host, for Communion is your gift to give and to receive, a piece of bread and peace of heart, the full cup of compassion, and strength for any new road.

Consecration

God, send your Spirit, upon every piece of every loaf so it is the Bread of Heaven. And pour your Love into every cup so it is the Cup of Blessing. Strengthened, may we become both travelers and welcomers on your holy way, healed and healers, comforted and comforters, rich in hope and givers of hope, in the name of Jesus whose table this always is to serve and be served. Amen

Remembering

EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM,

**EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM,
SO YOU CAN REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE,**

EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM,
SO YOU CAN REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE,
AND GO TELL THE OTHERS.....

**EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM
SO YOU CAN REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE
AND GO TELL THE OTHERS**

**SO THAT ALL GOD'S CHILDREN CAN LIVE IN HOLY COMMUNION, HOLY
COMMUNION**

(Ann Weems)

Sharing of the Elements

Share this harvest of the promise of life.

May it fill us with peace.

Drink from the fruit of God's vine

May we taste new words of love.

Thanksgiving

For the wind at our backs, for the tables of strangers and friends, for the peace of being welcomed and the joy of welcoming others, we give you thanks. For the Body of Christ, come to us in plate and cup and lived by us in our journeys onward, we give you thanks and praise and promise. Amen.

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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