

Order for Worship in Many Places
Parkrose Community United Church of Christ + Portland, Oregon
September 18, 2022/ Pentecost 15C
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

“Struggling Man”

PS22 Children’s Choir

SONG: "Struggling Man" by Jimmy Cliff

FILMED BY: Ms. Lisa

<https://www.facebook.com/profile/100044564070605/search/?q=struggling%20man>

Prayer in One Voice

In this time together we are invited to celebrate the renewal of life and hope. We also are invited to celebrate the presence of the Spirit of Life and Hope and Creativity, everywhere around and within us.

Young People’s Time

Erica Martin

Peace Meditation

Education for social change

Artika R. Tyner, TEDx

Artika R. Tyner shares her vision for reimagining education. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5QHAhMYwoA>

Song

“Blessed To Be”

Tracy Howe

Blessed to Be is the third single off Tracy Howe's newest album, Things That Grow. Download it now at tracyhowemusic.com

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-6NSaN7O7g>

Modern Testimony

Debt forgiveness of the Torah, is an economic Jewish tradition Jesus was standing in firmly within his own culture. For the oppressed community of the gospels for whom Jesus’ teachings held deepest meaning, it was clear that one could not serve both wealth and people because one would have to choose between individual opulence and community thriving. *Herb Montgomery*

Words from Tradition

Luke 16:1-13

Walter Lersch

Exploring the Word

Another Story of Debt Cancellation

Pastor Dianne and Todd

Meditation

The growing political influence of American millennials

John Yang, AllArts

John Yang reports on the growing power of American millennials.

<https://www.allarts.org/programs/pbs-newshour/millennial-voters-1603306200/>

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 grieve the death of Professor Harrison. Rita asks for prayers for everyone affected by the forest fires. 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

Transition Team Moment

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.

Art work: Parkrose Youth and Erica Martin

