# Order for Worship in Many Places Parkrose Community United Church of Christ + Portland, Oregon July 31, 2022 Pentecost 8C/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.

<u>Prelude</u> Niki Farley

Gathering Song "100 Bad Days" AJR ft. PS22 Chorus

Find out more at facebook.com/ps22chorus, instagram/theps22chorus https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1xhMRTluqNc

## **Prayer in One Voice**

God of the important and the common place, you reach into our lives through story. Open our hearts to be attentive: that seeing, we may perceive, and hearing, we may understand, and understanding, we may act. Amen. May it be so.

Young People's Time Erica Martin

<u>Peace Moment</u> What's missing from the American immigrant narrative

Elizabeth Camarillo Gutierrez: TED

HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=FVUKKKC3VVK

Song "Quiet Place" The Many

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zm5f02Th-ho

## **Modern Testimony**

There comes a time when God wrestles with us, and we wrestle with God, because something more is required of us. As church, we can be encouraged by this text to grapple with our differences, our difficult histories, and the ways we have failed in the past. We can wrestle with injustice; contend with the forces that keep us from being all that God calls us to be. Because when we do this, we will be spiritually alive and find ourselves encountering God. Leah Schade

Words from Tradition Genesis 32:22-31 Rita McCarty

**Exploring the Word** Tangled Blessing

Pastor Dianne and Lenia

Meditation "Blessed to Be a Blessing" The Many

Written by Lenora Rand, Read by Leslie Michele.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rN05YsQeq8Y

Meditation HEARING THE VOICE OF LOVE Phileena Heuertz

Phileena Heuertz on the need for contemplative prayer - The need for stillness, silence and solitude in order to love ourselves, our neighbors and to transform our world. https://www.theworkofthepeople.com/hearing-the-voice-of-love

## **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 ask for prayers for David Hohenstein who is in the hospital With kidney failure. And prayers for the family as they continue to navigate his challenging health issues. 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 Rita asks for prayers for the passenger of a Uber vehicle who was shot and killed. We pray for those who are food insecure. We pray for our houseless brothers and sisters. 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. KD Schmidt asks for prayers for her friends, Stephan and his wife Muriel. They went to Victoria a couple of weeks ago for Muriel's 90th birthday, and brought back Covid. Stephan has recovered, but Muriel has had seven TIA's in the past week.

## **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 <a href="mailto:parkroseucc.org">parkroseucc.org</a>. 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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