



Pittsburg Presbyterian Church

May 22, 2022 ~ 10:00 am

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Graduate Recognition

GATHERING

Prelude

They'll Know We Are Christians

Incorporating the hymn tune *Restoration*

Peter Scholtes/Arr. Michael E. Akers

Pitt Pres Ringers

Lay Leader: Preset your folder at your seat.

Bring in the Light of Christ during the Prelude.

Welcome

Blake Benson

Good Morning, we are glad you are here with us today at Pittsburg Presbyterian Church. We are truly blessed to gather together for worship on this sixth Sunday of Easter.

Mission Statement

Blake Benson

Our Mission at Pittsburg Presbyterian Church is to love God, know Christ, care for one another, and to joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ!

Please remain seated and join together in singing our Missional Song.

Missional Song

Susan Laushman

Love God, care for one another;

Know Christ, care for one another;

Joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ!

Joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ!

Please stand for the Opening Sentences.

***Opening Sentences**

Blake Benson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God.

People: Let all the peoples praise you.

Leader: *Our opening hymn today is "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" ...Come, let us worship God.*

***Opening Hymn**

Glory To God #475

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

(V 1, 3)

Verse 1

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

Verse 3

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

Please be seated

Announcements

Blake Benson

- *Good morning and thank you for worshiping with us today!*
- *Please Check-in on Social Media to share the peace of Christ with your friends and loved ones online!*
- *(Explain & show the Yellow Cards.) Please fill out the front and write any information/prayer concerns, etc. on the back and place it in one of the white boxes at the back of the Sanctuary, as you leave.*
- *"Kids Following Jesus" (KFJ) is available online. Please access the KFJ video through "The Sower", Facebook page, or YouTube channel.*
- *(Show the Announcement flyer): Please refer to the Announcement flyer for important information and take it home with you.*
- *Touching Lives: I would like to introduce Margaret Neil, who will be sharing our Touching Lives segment.*
- *Graduate Recognition: Please come up when your name is called and remain until all graduates have been recognized.*



Shane Joseph Baeza, son of Debbie & Oscar Baeza, graduated from Pittsburg High School. Shane plans to look into a technical school and continue learning and working at his job at Chatters.



Braden Benson, son of Christel and Blake Benson, graduated from Pittsburg High School. Braden plans to attend PSU for a year and transfer to a Christian University in the future.



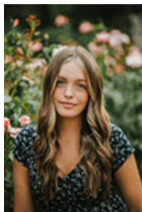
Jennifer Denton, daughter of Mark Denton, graduated from Pittsburg State University with a BS in Biology. Jennifer will be pursuing the Physician Assistant program in Tulsa at Oklahoma State University (OSU).



Zachary Denton, son of Mark Denton, graduated from the University of Kansas Medical School Doctorate of Medicine (MD). He will be in a General Surgery Residency at the KU Medical Center for the next year.



Cooper Samuel Neil, son of Margaret & Ed Neil, graduated from Pittsburg State University with a Masters in Music Education; emphasis in Wind Ensemble Conducting.



Brooke O'Hara, daughter of Mike & Tobi O'Hara and granddaughter of Roger & Connie McCune, graduated from Pittsburg High School. Brooke is graduating a year early from Pittsburg HS with a 4.2 GPA and a semester of college completed. She has been active in Cheerleading, softball, and track. She will be attending Fort Hays State University this Fall majoring in Finance.



Joanna Rhodes, daughter of Pam & Mark Walker, graduated from Pittsburg State University with a Master of Science in Nursing with Education Emphasis. She is Seeking a position as a Nurse Educator, preferably at the baccalaureate level.



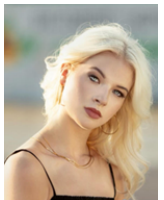
Mara Rhodes, daughter of Samantha & Tim Rhodes and granddaughter of Barbara & Ron Rhodes, graduated from George Nettels grade school. She will be attending Pittsburg Middle School.



Zadie Rhodes, daughter of Joanna & Drew Rhodes and granddaughter of Barbara & Ron Rhodes, graduated from Lakeside grade school. She will be attending Pittsburg Middle School.



Steven "Fayne" Speer, graduated from Pittsburg State University with a Bachelor of General Studies. Fayne plans to keep making and sharing the music he loves.



Mallory Grace Womeldorff, daughter of John & Sheri Womeldorff, graduated from Pittsburg High School. Mallory will pursue a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Music Theatre at Stephens College Conservatory for the Performing Arts in Columbia, Missouri.

Congratulations everyone! Please join together in the Parlor following worship for a reception to honor all the graduates.

**** Please mention any last minute announcements.***

Call to Confession

Blake Benson

*Do not let your hearts be troubled,
but confess your sins and God will give you peace.*

Prayer of Confession

Blake Benson

Leader: Loving God,

All: we confess that we are an anxious people
who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word.

Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins,
that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world;
through Jesus Christ we pray.

Leader: Hear now our individual silent confessions:

Wait a minute and say “Amen”, then proceed into the Assurance of Pardon.

Assurance of Pardon

Blake Benson

Leader: Brothers and Sisters . . .

Let your hearts be still,

for God loves you and forgives all your wrongdoing.

. . . Beloved, receive the peace of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

[Virginia offers intro to *Gloria*]

Please stand

***Gloria Patri**

Glory to God #581

Meineke

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.

Please be seated

WORD

Special Music

Hard Times Come Again No More (with Amazing Grace)

Steven Foster and John Newton/Arr. By Brock Willard

Pitt Pres Choir

Old Testament Reading *Psalm 98 (NIV)*

Blake Benson

Reader: A reading from Psalm chapter 98.

Listen to the word of God:

*Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.*

² *The Lord has made his salvation known*

and revealed his righteousness to the nations.
3 *He has remembered his love*
and his faithfulness to Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

4 *Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth,*
burst into jubilant song with music;
5 *make music to the Lord with the harp,*
with the harp and the sound of singing,
6 *with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—*
shout for joy before the Lord, the King.

7 *Let the sea resound, and everything in it,*
the world, and all who live in it.
8 *Let the rivers clap their hands,*
let the mountains sing together for joy;
9 *let them sing before the Lord,*
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

This is the word of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.



New Testament Reading Acts 10:44-48 (NIV) Trevor Elliott

Reader: A reading from Acts, chapter 10, verses 44 through 48.

Listen to the word of God:

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles.⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

Then Peter said,⁴⁷ "Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have."⁴⁸ So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

This is the word of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Message "Cornelius and All the 'Other' People" Trevor Elliott

Prayer Hymn
Glory to God #836
Abide With Me

(V 1)

Verse 1

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Prayer of Intercession

Blake Benson

You may say your own words OR the following:

*Leader: In this season of the Spirit
let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings for the world, saying,
Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.*

*Leader: All creation lives to praise you, O God.
As the earth yields its blessing,
may we honor and protect the precious gifts of nature
and give thanks for the beauty, healing, and sustenance it
provides for all.*

. . . Lord, send out your Spirit
All: and renew the face of the earth.

*Leader: You bless your church throughout all the ages
with leaders like Paul and Lydia
to share in the spreading of the gospel.
Give to your church this day a profound sense of the mission
to which you now call us for the life and health of the world.*

. . . Lord, send out your Spirit
All: and renew the face of the earth.

*Leader: You judge the people with equity and guide the nations of the earth.
Give to all leaders and people
the gift of wisdom and the spirit of peace,
that we may walk by your light as we serve the common good.*

. . . Lord, send out your Spirit
All: and renew the face of the earth.

*Leader: You promise to be with us always
through the comfort of your Holy Spirit.
Give to all who suffer violence, grief, or pain
an enduring trust in Jesus that joy will rise again.*

. . . Lord, send out your Spirit
All: and renew the face of the earth.

*Leader: We give thanks for the many blessings of our lives,
that as we follow Jesus, he journeys with us day by day
through the presence of your Holy Spirit, our Advocate and teacher.
. . . Lord, send out your Spirit*

All: and renew the face of the earth.

*Leader: You are alpha and omega, the beginning and the end.
Be with all who are born this day, and those who will die,
that your will for them may be fulfilled;
and may we all come to share
in your heavenly city with voices of unending praise.*

Please join together as Jesus taught us to pray . . .

The Lord's Prayer

People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Blake Benson

As we prepare for our offering today, there are various ways that you may give. You may place your offering and Yellow Card in the white box, at the back, as you leave or contact the office for other options.

*The earth has yielded its increase and God has richly blessed us.
Therefore bring your tithes and offerings
and come into God's courts with praise.*

Prayer for Offering

Blake Benson

*Let us pray:
Giving God, as spring bursts forth its blossoms
in witness to your love,
you bless us from generation to generation
with the new life of Easter faith.
All that we have and all that we are come from you, O God,
so we gladly share this offering, that others too may be blessed,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

Please stand

***The Doxology**

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

***Affirmation of Faith**

Adapted from the French
Confession of 1559, based on
a translation of the original

Blake Benson

text by Dr. Ellen Babinsky,
Austin Presbyterian
Theological Seminary, and Dr.
Joseph D. Small, Office of
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PC(USA)

Lines 1-4

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/bcr-115/>

Leader: Believer, what do you believe?

People: We believe and confess only one God,
who can do all things,
is all-wise, all-good,
all-just, and all-merciful.

SENDING

***Closing Hymn**

Blake Benson

Our closing hymn today is "Rejoice, the Lord is King!"

***Closing Hymn**
Glory To God #363

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

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(V 1, 2, 4)

Verse 1

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart; lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Verse 2

Our Savior, Jesus, reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart; lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Verse 4

Rejoice in glorious hope!
For Christ, the Judge, shall come
and gather all the saints

to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart; lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

***Blessing & Charge**

Trevor Elliott

You may prepare your own OR the following:

*May the Lord be gracious and bless you
that you may live a life of praise forever in God's light.*

Lay Leader: After the blessing, begin to take the light of Christ into the world:

1. Light the candle lighter with one of the candles on the communion table.
2. Extinguish both candles on the communion table.
3. Stand with the light, facing the congregation.
4. Walk out with the light through the East aisle, in front of Pastor, to the back of the sanctuary.
5. Extinguish the light and stow the candle lighter.

Postlude

Reach Out and Touch

Charles F. Brown/Arr. Gloria Roe

Virginia Darling, piano