



# Pittsburg Presbyterian Church

July 24, 2022 ~ 10:00 am

*Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

**Theme: Steadfastness**

## GATHERING

Prelude

*The Potter's Hand*

Darlene Zschech/Arr. Phillip Keveren  
Virginia Darling, piano

**Lay Leader:** Preset your folder at your seat.  
Bring in the Light of Christ during the Prelude.

**Welcome**

**Mark Denton**

*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 the seventh Sunday after Pentecost.*

**Guest Speaker Introduction**

**Mark Denton**

Today, we have a guest speaker, Adah Hutchcraft. Chaplain Hutchcraft is originally from the Chicago area. She moved to Joplin with her family in 1992 where she met Jason Hutchcraft. They were married in July of 1999, and in the same week moved to East TN to pursue their seminary education and pastor together. Adah initially served in leadership ministries to youth, children and women. She and Jason moved to Southern California in 2007, where Adah pursued training in clinical chaplaincy. As a chaplain, she served in urban ministry to the homeless and vulnerable in downtown San Diego, and later became a hospice chaplain (also in San Diego). Jason and Adah returned to Joplin in January of 2013 where Adah was soon hired as a staff chaplain for Via Christi Hospital and Via Christi Village. Adah was promoted to Lead Chaplain in 2015, and she continues to gratefully serve the Pittsburg community through her vocation. Welcome Adah!

**Mission Statement**

**Mark Denton**

*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**

**Mark Denton**

*Leader: The Lord be with you.*

*People: And also with you.*

*Leader: Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.*

*People: The Lord will speak peace to the faithful,  
to those who turn to God in their hearts.*

*Leader: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear the Lord,  
and God's glory will dwell in our land.*

*Leader: Our opening hymn today is "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"  
...Come, let us worship God.*

**\*Opening Hymn**

*Glory To God #43*

*You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord (On Eagle's Wings)*

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(V 1, R, 2, R, 4, R)

**Verse 1**

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord, "My refuge,  
my rock in whom I trust!"

**Refrain**

And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

**Verse 2**

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
under his wings, your refuge,  
his faithfulness your shield.

**Refrain**

**Verse 4**

For to his angels he's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

## Refrain

Please be seated

### Announcements

Mark Denton

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

### Call to Confession

Mark Denton

*The truth about us is this:  
we all sin and fall short of the glory of God.  
Yet God promises to pour out grace upon us,  
giving us confidence to show ourselves as we are  
and be freed from shame.  
Trusting in God's mercy,  
let us confess our sin before God and one another.*

### Prayer of Confession

Mark Denton

*Leader: Ever-faithful God,*

**All:** how often we turn away from you, yet you remain constant to us.  
We run from you, but you call us back.  
In our words and our deeds we dishonor you,  
yet you still profess your love for us.  
We cut ourselves off from you and from others,  
but you will not let us go.  
Forgive our faithless and fickle ways and increase our gratitude,  
that we might grow in faithfulness to you,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name 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

Mark Denton

**Leader:** *Hear the good news! . . .*

*When you were buried with Christ in baptism,  
you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God.  
By that power we are made clean and set free  
. . . to live in gratitude and love with zeal.*

**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

*As the Deer*

Martin Nystrom/Arr. Christine D. Anderson (bells)

Cathy DeRousse (piano)

Terry Cox, bells

Virginia Darling, piano

**Old Testament Reading** *Hosea 1:2-11 (NASB)*

**Mark Denton**

**Reader:** *A reading from Hosea chapter 1, verses 2 through 11.*

*Listen to the word of God:*

*When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, “Go, take for yourself a wife inclined to infidelity, and children of infidelity; for the land commits flagrant infidelity, abandoning the Lord.”<sup>3</sup> So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.<sup>4</sup> And the Lord said to him, “Name him Jezreel; for in just a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the bloodshed of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel.<sup>5</sup> On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the Valley of Jezreel.”*

<sup>6</sup> *Then she conceived again and gave birth to a daughter. And the Lord said to him, “Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer take pity on the house of Israel, that I would ever forgive them.<sup>7</sup> But I will take pity on the house of Judah and save them by*

*the Lord their God, and will not save them by bow, sword, battle, horses, or horsemen.”*

<sup>8</sup> *When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and gave birth to a son.*

<sup>9</sup> *And the Lord said, “Name him Lo-ammi, because you are not My people, and I am not your God.”*

<sup>10</sup> *Yet the number of the sons of Israel  
Will be like the sand of the sea,  
Which cannot be measured or counted;  
And in the place  
Where it is said to them,  
“You are not My people,”  
It will be said to them,  
“You are the sons of the living God.”*

<sup>11</sup> *And the sons of Judah and the sons of Israel will be gathered together,  
And they will appoint for themselves one leader,  
And they will go up from the land,  
For the day of Jezreel will be great.*

*This is the word of God.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

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**New Testament Reading Colossians 2:6-15 (NASB) Adah Hutchcraft**

*Reader: A reading from Colossians, chapter 2, verses 6 through 15.*

*Listen to the word of God:*

*Therefore, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,  
<sup>7</sup> having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your  
faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude.*

<sup>8</sup> *See to it that there is no one who takes you captive through philosophy and  
empty deception in accordance with human tradition, in accordance with the  
elementary principles of the world, rather than in accordance with Christ.<sup>9</sup> For in Him  
all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form,<sup>10</sup> and in Him you have been made  
complete, and He is the head over every ruler and authority;<sup>11</sup> and in Him you were  
also circumcised with a circumcision performed without hands, in the removal of the  
body of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ,<sup>12</sup> having been buried with Him in  
baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the working of God,  
who raised Him from the dead.<sup>13</sup> And when you were dead in your wrongdoings and  
the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having  
forgiven us all our wrongdoings,<sup>14</sup> having canceled the certificate of debt consisting  
of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way,  
having nailed it to the cross.<sup>15</sup> When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He  
made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him.*

*This is the word of God.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Message

“Look No Further”

Adah Hutchcraft

Prayer Hymn

*Glory to God #69*

*I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

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(V 1)

Verse 1

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord.  
Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

Invitation to Offering

Mark Denton

*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.*

*As we wait for the coming of God's good reign,  
we answer the invitation to take part in God's work,  
bringing our tithes and offerings with joyful gratitude.*

Prayer for Offering

Mark Denton

*Let us pray:  
Lord, you are the giver of every good gift.  
Accept these offerings we pray,  
that through them we may do justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with you, our Sovereign and our God. 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 *Apostle's Creed***

**Mark Denton**

**Leader:** *Believer, what do you believe?*

**People:** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth,  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead;  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic\* church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*catholic does not mean the Roman Catholic Church. It means the church of Jesus Christ, everywhere.

## **EUCCHARIST**

**Invite the Serving Elders to come forward.**

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table (COVID Precautions)**

**Mark Denton**

*During this time of COVID, there will be two Serving Elders. Please come forward, one at a time, to gather the Communion elements. Please maintain physical distancing as you come forward and return to your seat.*

*Everyone is welcome to this table. Scripture reminds us to take the time to prepare ourselves for the Lord's Table. Remember God's goodness and turn your heart in gratitude to God.*

### **The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (see screen)**

**Leader:** *The Lord be with you.*

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** *Lift up your hearts.*

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Leader:** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Leader:** *Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit  
upon us and upon this bread and cup.  
Make us one in the body and blood  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*As we have been buried with Christ by baptism into death,  
raise us up, by the power of your Spirit, to walk in new life.  
Let us be dead to sin and alive to you in Christ Jesus.*

*As grains of wheat are gathered from the land  
to become the one bread we share,  
gather up your church from the ends of the earth  
into the glory of your new creation.*

*Through the Lord Jesus Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
we bless you, God of glory,  
now and forever.*

*As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold 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.

- **Presider moves to the Communion table, with the notebook of instructions.**
- **While the congregation sings the Communion Hymn, prepare the sacraments by uncovering the elements.**
- **Separate the two communion trays, to give to the two serving elders.**

**Communion Hymn**  
*Gloria to God #527*  
*Eat This Bread*



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( V 1, 2)

Verse 1

Eat this bread; drink this cup;  
come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread; drink this cup;  
trust in me and you will not thirst”

Verse 2

Eat this bread; drink this cup;  
come to Christ and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread; drink this cup;  
trust in Christ and you will not thirst.

- Motion for the serving elders to move forward to receive the elements.
- Upon completion of the Communion Hymn, continue with the Instructions under the Words of Institution (Bread and Cup).

Words of Institution (Bread and Cup)

Mark Denton

*Instructions: As you come forward to receive the elements, please observe social distancing. The elements will be stacked in two cups, with the wafer on the bottom and the juice on the top. Please take both, return to your seat, and wait to partake together. Cup holders are behind the pews.*

- Virginia begins playing the Communion Music.
- Hand a communion tray to each of the elders.
- The elders move to their spots.
- The congregation moves forward to receive the elements and returns to their seats.

Communion Music

*In the Garden* (in the style of Dvorak)

C. Austin Miles/Arr. Michele Murray

Virginia Darling, piano

- Upon completion of the Communion Music, proceed with the following:

**The presider lifts and breaks the bread, saying:**

*Leader: The Lord Jesus,  
on the night of his arrest,  
took bread, and after giving thanks to God,  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.*

**The presider lifts the cup, saying:**

**Leader:** *In the same way he took the cup, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood,  
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it,  
do this in remembrance of me.  
Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup,  
you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord,  
until he comes.*

**Then, holding out both the bread and the cup to the people, the presider says:**

**Leader:** *The gifts of God for the people of God.*

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Leader:** *The body of Christ, given for you.*

*The blood of Christ shed for you.*

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Everyone partakes of the elements.**

**Prayer after Communion**

**Mark Denton**

**You may prepare your own, OR the following:**

**Leader:** *Let us pray:  
Holy God, we thank you for this feast of grace and life.  
As we have been served, help us to serve our neighbors.  
As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry.  
As we have been loved, help us to love the world-  
because in Christ Jesus you have loved us. Amen.*

## **SENDING**

**\*Closing Hymn**

**Mark Denton**

*Our closing hymn today is "All Creatures of Our God and King".*

**\*Closing Hymn**

**Glory To God #15**

***All Creatures of Our God and King***

Music from the English Hymnal, 1906

(V 1, 2)

Verse 1

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother sun with golden beam,

O sister moon with silver gleam,  
sing praises! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 2

O brother wind with clouds and rain,  
you nurture gifts of fruit and grain.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sister water, flowing clear,  
make music for your Lord to hear.  
Sing praises! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*Blessing & Charge**

**Adah Hutchcraft**

**You may prepare your own OR the following:**

*May the grace of Christ attend you, the love of God surround you,  
and the Holy Spirit keep you, this day and forevermore.*

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**

*Shout To The North*

Martin Smith/Arr. Phillip Keveren  
Virginia Darling, piano