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# First Presbyterian Church

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7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 29, 2022

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\*Those who are able may stand



**PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP**

**PRELUDE MUSIC**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INVITATION TO REST**

**\*GATHERING HYMN #664....."Morning Has Broken"**

**\*OPENING SENTENCES**

Our God has ascended with a mighty shout.  
The Lord has ascended with trumpets blaring!  
Come, let's sing praise to God together,  
for our God is sovereign over all the earth!

**KYRIE**

*(Please join us in the "Kyrie", an ancient song that mirrors the words people used to cry out to Jesus for healing in the scriptures. In Greek they mean, "Lord, have mercy". The church has sung these words for thousands of years as prayer and to prepare our hearts for confession.)*

*Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)*

*Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)*

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**Kyrie Eleison**

**Christe Eleison**

**Kyrie Eleison**

**CONFESSION OF NEED (Responsive)**

Lord, in our shock and confusion, we come before you.

**In our grief and despair in the midst of hate,**

in our sense of helplessness in the face of violence,  
we lean on you.

**For the families of those who have been killed we pray.**

For the shooters—help us to pray, Lord.

**For the communities that have lost children—their anger,  
grief, despair—we pray.**

For the churches striving to be your light in darkness beyond our comprehension, we pray... for action and direction.

**We confess that though we have never pulled the triggers, we have benefited from a nation addicted to violence.**

Believing more weapons are the answer to our fears. Profiting from the sale of our instruments of death around the world. Defending the norms that have allowed over 220 mass shootings in the last five months, rather than engaging in the hard work and sacrifice of change.

**God of hope, in the face of such evil, push us into loving and bold action.**

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**SILENCE FOR CONFESSION AND RESTING IN GOD’S GRACE**

**DECLARATION OF GRACE (Responsive)**

Hear the good news of God's love for us;  
That neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come nor height nor depth nor any other created thing can separate us from the love of God.

**Amen.**

**RESPONSE HYMN #616....."Awesome God" x2**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And Also, with you!**

Let us share a sign of God’s peace with one another.



**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)**

**Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker’s ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.**

**Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**

**FIRST READING.....Revelation 22:12-22 (pg 283)**  
*Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!*

**SECOND READING .....1 Kings 19:4-16 (pg 362)**  
*Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ*

**SERMON       *Eschatological Realism, Skateboards &  
The Future We Are Being Pulled Into***  
*Rev. Michael Ozaki*

**SILENCE FOR REFLECTION**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY #360....."Christ Is Coming!"**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord in your Mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our "sins")**

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)**

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.

**Alleluia! Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #765....."May the God of Hope"**

**\*DISMISSAL (Responsive)**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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## *A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!*

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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### **Calendar for this week:**

#### Sunday, May 29, 2022

10:30 am      Worship

11:30 am      Coffee Fellowship

Preaching.....      **Rev. Michael Ozaki**  
Ushers & Greeters.....      Mario & Jill Schisano  
Organist.....      Hannah Krueger  
Music Director.....      Sandy Perkins  
Reader.....      Lynne Mullins

#### Wednesday, June 1

5 pm                      Bell Rehearsal

#### Thursday, June 2

1 pm                      Book Study

#### Next Sunday, June 5

10:30 am      Worship w/Communion

11:30 am      Coffee Fellowship

Preaching.....      **Rev. Michael Ozaki**  
Communion Prep.....      **Marlys Mjoen**  
Ushers & Greeters.....      Glen & Marlys Finkenbinder  
Organist.....      Hannah Krueger  
Music Director.....      Sandy Perkins  
Reader.....      Mary Pulkrabek