

**Holy Communion
Invitation to the Table
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Creator God, we are amazed at your holy and diverse creation... With the ancestors, on this World Communion Sunday your people cry out:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest! ...

Hear us as we now declare the mystery that is our faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread & Serving of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

Holy Triune God, we thank you for this meal that proclaims the peace and healing of the nations. We thank you for this meal where a little is enough to change our lives; where a little is more than enough to feed those whose hearts yearn for communion in community. May this bread and fruit of the vine nourish us so that we may grow in the faith and knowledge that in you, we are one. Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

Hymn 529

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

***Benediction**

***Choir Response**

Threefold Amen

E. Sollenberger

***Postlude**

postlude

W. Volckmar



WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 - 11:00 AM

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

*"I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Psalm 122:1*

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even "at home," for all are welcome in God's house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our fellowship hour following worship!

**WPC Vision &
Mission Statement**

Growing and Building in
the Love of Christ
Ephesians 4:16

We ENVISION a church
that:

† Is kind, generous,
hospitable and
welcoming.

† Involves everyone in
local and global
mission.

† Treats everyone as a
Child of God.

† Shares our time,
talents, and treasure.

Our MISSION is to grow
and build in:

† Faith through worship,
prayer, and Bible study.

† Fellowship with one
another and with
guests.

† Hospitality shown to
our community and
world.

† Facilities that are
exceptional and
accessible.

* Congregation is
invited to stand.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *The Grace of Christ's Sacrifice* L. Larson
The Ring R. Schumann
Entreat Me Not To leave Thee Ch. Gounod

Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the Friendship Pads located in each pew.)

Call to Worship (*Heb. 1:1-4; 2:5-12*) Diane Cook
Long ago, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets,
but in the last days he has spoken to us through his Son Jesus Christ.

Jesus is the reflection of God's glory, and he sustains all things in the world by his powerful Word. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, should give his only son to suffering for our salvation.
Therefore we will proclaim God's name. In the midst of the congregation, we will praise God.

***Hymn 630** *Fairest Lord Jesus*

***Opening Prayer** (*pray together*)
Help us, God, to seek you in all circumstances. Help us, God, to see you in all people. Help us, Lord, to witness to you in all situations. Help us, Lord, to share your love with all. Amen



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Invitation to Confession of Sin

Confession of Sin

You gave us commandments, God of love, Mark 10:2-16 because you know the hardness of our hearts. You have created us to live in community, and still we oppress others and separate ourselves from each other and from you. Jesus loved the children, but there are still children in the world who live in hunger or fear, rejected and unloved. Forgive us, and call us to faithfulness. Bind all your children together as sisters and brothers, and nurture us with your love and forgiveness, that we might share what we have been given, and receive your kingdom with the wonder and gratitude of children. In Jesus' name we pray...(time for silent confession) Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen!

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Anthem *In Remembrance* R. Courtney/B. Red

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Psalm 26 ~ page 476

1 Cor 11:17-33 ~ page 162

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Message

Rev. Kate Rascoe

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us humans, for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

**Gloria Patri (words at left)*

**Hymn 530 One Bread, One Body*

Sharing Our Gifts with God and Others

Offertory *Nothing But the Blood* R. Lowry

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

Glory Be to the Father

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!

The Lord's Prayer

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.

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.