

**Offering**

**Offertory** *Peace in the Valley*

Th. Dorsey

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

*Eternal God,  
may these gifts be signs of your grace,  
and may our lives show forth the coming kingdom,  
that when Christ comes again he will find faith on earth.*

*Amen.*

**WE DEPART TO SERVE**

**\*Hymn 69** *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I Am, Lord)*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Benediction 542** *God Be with You (verse 1)*  
*God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving counsels guide uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.*

**\*Postlude** *Largo*

G. F. Handel



**WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019 - 11:00 AM**  
**19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*"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** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* C. Converse  
*For Love Shall Be Our Song* D. Wagner  
*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* J. S. Bach

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

No matter how far from God we seem to be,  
we do not lose heart:

***For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.***

No matter how many obstacles we face in life,  
in the church, we do not lose heart:

***For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.***

No matter how hard it is to continually pray and  
work for justice, we do not lose heart:

***For the days are surely coming, says the Lord,  
when I will forgive and restore my people;  
when I will equip them for every good work;  
and when I will grant justice,  
for I hear their cries day and night.***

**\*Hymn 53** *O God Who Gives Us Life and Breath*



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**Ruling Elders**  
(Spiritual Leaders of the Church)

Class of 2019  
Sharon Baroncelli, Trustee  
Jane Runyon  
George Shaffer  
George Swecker

Class of 2020  
Marian French, Trustee  
Diane Cook  
Margaret Nelson  
Morgan Saeler

Class of 2021  
Jerry Germroth, Trustee  
Becky Fadely  
Malinda Johnston  
Cindy Wilkins

### \*Opening Prayer

Holy God, the words of Scripture are God-breathed words—inspired by you and given life through the power of your Holy Spirit. By your Spirit breathe your word into us, so that we become proficient in the language of faith and equipped to proclaim the message we receive, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Living Word. *Amen.*

### Invitation to Confession of Sin Prayer Of Confession

*Gracious God, we confess that we do not meditate on your commands and teachings all day long. We do not keep your word before us always and in all things. Instead, we turn away from your demanding truth and wander toward easier options.*

*Forgive us, we pray, for pursuing our own desires rather than yours.*

*Forgive us for growing weary in following you; for failing to pray and work tirelessly for justice; for losing hope in your power to transform the powers of this world.*

*Tune our ears to the sound of your justice. Turn our hearts to your commandments and word of grace. Do not remember our sin, but remember your mercy forever.*

(silent prayers)  
*Amen.*

### Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, God promises to forgive us... Believe the good news of the gospel: *our salvation is through faith in Christ Jesus. Thanks be to God! Amen.*

### Gloria Patri

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.

## WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

### Children's Message

**Anthem** *God Is So Good* D. Wagner  
Jane Runyon/Lori Staley

**Scripture Reading** Luke 18: 1-8  
Jeremiah 31:27-34

**Sermon** "*Jeremiah: Lessons on the Suffering of a Nation – a Whole New World*" Rev. Kate Rascoe

\***Hymn 833** *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### \*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

### \*Gloria Patri (words at left)

### Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

O God our Judge and our Redeemer,  
*we cry to you day and night. Help us, O God*