

Worship @ Home Guide: Sunday July 5, 2020

Woodstock Presbyterian Church, 142 E. Court St., Woodstock, VA 22664

*You are encouraged to use this as a guide for worship at home,
or as a bulletin during our online worship.*

Please scroll down to see Announcements and Prayer Requests.

*There will be two links on www.woodstockpresbyterianchurch.com to get to worship –
one is a direct link to the recording, available at any time.*

*The other is a public FaceBook Premiere, which will be active at 11:00am Sunday –
you will be able to chat with others who are worshipping at that time.*

*The FaceBook page also keeps the video for you to return to at any time.
(Night owls, this is your chance to worship when you want!)*

***In this worship service, we will be celebrating communion. Please set your
space with bread & cup. Any bread and juice-like substance will do, just
make sure you have enough to share with those gathered with you.***

+Pastor Kate

ANNOUNCEMENTS



NO Fellowship (half) Hour this week!

See you Next Sunday...

– Sundays, 12:30p

Meeting ID: 720 6256 4142

Password: Woodstock

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72062564142?pwd=aodyQS9oMUorUzhJNHhLUjFsOFZ1dz09>



Staycation Bible School Materials Available for Children & Families – let Lori know if you need the packet printed.

No kiddos? Volunteer to be a “Travel Buddy”



Explore how the Gospel of Matthew intersects with congregational vitality, structural racism and systemic poverty.

Online **Matthew 25 Interactive Bible Study** offered through the presbytery: July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 10-11 am Zoom meeting- you may join by computer/smart phone or dial in

to register and receive zoom link, contact shenpres@shenpres.org

PRAYER REQUESTS

- + Keith Coffman – his mother is now on hospice care
- + Janet, friend of Barbara Simons - cancer/surgery
- + Amanda & Daryl Pearson
- + George Shaffer – recovering from knee surgery at home
- + Loretta Lantz

GATHERING MUSIC - "Sanctus", Schubert



WELCOME & GATHERING PRAYER

*Comforting God,
by your Holy Spirit
lift the burdens from our souls
through the reading of your Word for us,
that we may learn how easy it is to live in a loving relationship with you. **Amen.***

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN – Jessica Jones

OPENING HYMN #460 "Break Thou the Bread Of Life"

***Break thou the bread of life,
dear Lord, to me,
as thou didst break the loaves
beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page
I seek thee, Lord.***

***My spirit pants for thee,
O living Word!***

***Bless thou the truth, dear Lord,
now unto me,
as thou didst bless the bread
by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease,
all fetters fall.
And I shall find my peace,
my all in all***

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*God of life,
we come to you from many places:
some hearts overflow with joy and gratitude,
others are barely hanging on to hope and faith.
For some this is an ordinary morning;
for others, every step feels fragile.
Holy One, meet us where we are and bind us to each other,
that in the community of your love we might
discover our wholeness.
We name before you now the concerns of our hearts.*

[silence]

*God of every beginning,
we pray for your children:
for infants harbored in their mothers' wombs,
for children exploring the world and testing their imaginations,
for youth discovering their own integrity.
We pray for children who cannot take safety and comfort for granted.
God of life, we pray for your children all over the world.*

[silence]

*Author of time,
we ask your blessing on our work and our rest:
in jobs that feed our souls and in jobs that do not satisfy,
in volunteer service and routine daily tasks,
in long hours of caregiving and in hours we do not know how to fill—
come to us and show us how we might serve you.*

We pray for those whose needs we know.

[silence]

God of all creation,

enlarge the circles of our concern.

Teach us to care for brothers and sisters whose names we cannot say:

those whose challenges are daunting,

though their needs are like our own.

Teach us to care for the earth on whose gifts we all depend.

Holy God, we pray for your world as we call on the name of your Son.

[silence]

*And all God's children said: **Amen.***

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours

now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

¹⁶“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

MESSAGE

What misplaced burdens are you carrying? Where might God be offering you a more well-fitted yoke? Where are your expectations of God and the church unmet? Where do you sense God moving in hidden ways?

EUCCHARIST

OFFERING

Psalm 24:1

The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it.

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.***

INVITATION

According to Luke,
when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples,
he took the bread,
blessed and broke it,
and gave it to them.
Then their eyes were opened,
and they recognized him.

We sit at the Lord's Table, wherever we are,

Invited to meet him, to recognize him, and
to share the feast that he has prepared.

SUNG RESPONSE: HYMN #515 – I Come with Joy vv1-2

*I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.*

*I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.*

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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Words of Remembering

Leader: We remember the sharing of bread in many places — wilderness manna, tents and caves of shepherds, the lunch of a small boy, the fish of the disciples and the loaf of Emmaus.

And we remember that Paul the apostle wrote letters to congregations throughout places we now call Greece, Turkey and Macedonia, and they were the first “remote” worship resources, including these Communion words sent to the church at Corinth:

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Sharing of the Elements

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Leader: Let us in our many places receive the gift of God, the Bread of Heaven.

Unison: We are one in Christ in the bread we share.

Leader: Let us in our many places receive the gift of God, the Cup of Blessing.

Unison: We are one in Christ in the cup we share.

COMMUNION

HYMN #515, I Come with Joy, vv3-5

***As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.***

***The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.***

***The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here,
alive among us here.***

***Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.***

PRAYER

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Grow to know the yoke that is easy and the burden that is light,
which Christ offers you,
and in turn,
become rest for those who are weary and heavy laden.

May the God who brings good from broken desires,
the Christ who shares his yoke with us,
the Spirit which breathes her wisdom into our hearts
sustain and guide us this day and every day.

HYMN – **#697 Take My Life, and Let it Be**

***Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.***

***Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.***

***Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.***

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