CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Lift Every Voice and Sing (*The Harp)* (1939)
Augusta Savage
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June 21, 2026

The Order for Morning Worship

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

June 21, 2026 — Ten-Thirty in the Morning

**At these moments, we invite you to stand in body or spirit*

Please silence all electronic devices prior to the service

Nursery is available in the Children's area on the lower level.
Children's church (age 3–5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon.

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "All Things Bright and Beautiful" Dale Wood

Welcome and Worship Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: God cares for us completely
and calls for our total commitment.
People: Christ gave his life that we might live
and calls us to give our lives to him.
Leader: Through Christ we have died to sin;
in Christ we are fully alive to God.
People: Come, let us worship God.

***Hymn 409** "God Is Here!" Abbot's Leigh

***Prayer of the Day (*in unison*)**

God of the covenant,
your compassion reaches beyond
the mere making and keeping of promises.
Teach us to listen to one another with your heart,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Confession

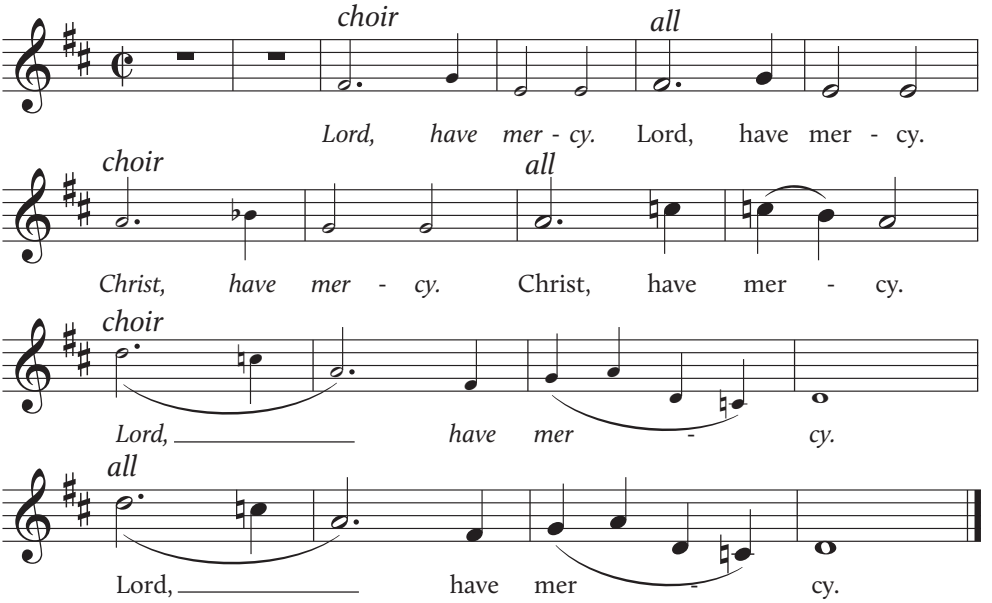
Sin destroys our lives.
Sin destroys our relationships.
Sin destroys our hope.
But through faith in the saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
our lives, our relationships, and our future are no longer enslaved to sin.
Let us trust the love of God and confess our sin,
that we might receive grace and find true freedom.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

God of Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac, God of Hagar and Ishmael,
who gave us your Son, Jesus Christ the crucified,
send your Holy Spirit to help us confess and truly repent of our sins.
We turn against one another;
we fail to care for the weak and poor among us.
We pay no heed to the cries of the powerless;
we seek our own advantage.
Your Son emptied himself upon a Roman cross
and revealed your eternal, self-giving love.
Forgive us, merciful God. *prayer continues*

Wipe sin from our lives and let us find ourselves wholly in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Kyrie Fedak



***Assurance of Pardon**

God, who loves us, does not abandon or forsake us.
Our Savior hears and answers
when we cry out from the wastelands of sin.
Death cannot bind us, for the risen Christ sets us free.
Hear the good news: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven. **Amen.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

***Response to the Assurance of Pardon: Hymn 587** Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia…alleluia!

Message for Children

Following the children's sermon, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to follow the teachers out for children's church. Nursery continues to be available starting at 10:15 AM until the conclusion of worship.

Leader: Now let us bless each other.
Adults: God be with you as you go.
Children: God be with you as you stay.

Listen for God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

O God, you have the power
to make a desert a place of renewal
and a cross a sign of redemption.
Send your Holy Spirit so that we can hear you
and entrust ourselves completely to you,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**.

Hebrew Reading *"The Rescue of Hagar and Ishmael"* Genesis 21:8–21
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 15
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 20–21

Epistle Reading *"Buried and Raised with Christ in Baptism"* Rom. 6:1b–11
Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 917
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 189–90

***Hymn 661** "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" Sparrow

Gospel Reading *"The Cost of Discipleship"* Matthew 10:24–39
Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible, p. 791
People: Thanks be to God Large Print Bible, pp. 12–13

Sermon "I Know He Watches Me" Rev. Michael Wallace

Our Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed,* p. 35

Prayers of the People *and* The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "Be Thou My Vision" Andrew Bolden
Julie Everett, *violin*
please see Hymn 450 for the text of this anthem

***Doxology: Hymn 606** Old Hundredth
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God, all creatures here below!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication (*in unison*)**
Holy One,
incarnate One,
dynamic One,
God who is Trinity,
we lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving
for the life in Christ Jesus that we receive from you.
You have shown that your mercy overcomes sin and evil
and brings relief from oppression.
We thank you for your steadfast love
that keeps covenant with your people.
In Christ we know the depth of your care for all that you create.
We invite the Holy Spirit to help us
so that we can praise you eternally
in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn 485**	"We Know that Christ Is Raised"	Engelberg
***Benediction Response**	"The Peace of the Earth"	John Bell
Voluntary	Improvisation on "We Shall Overcome"	Carl Haywood

Daily Grace

Using the liturgy from this Sunday's Order of Worship,
we enter into worship and prayer every day of the week.
We worship together…separately.

Scripture Readings: Worship texts for June 28, 2026

Mon: Genesis 22:1–14
Tues: Psalm 13
Wed: Romans 6:12–23
Thurs: Matthew 10:40–42
Fri: Genesis 22:1–14
Sat: Psalm 13

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Prayers adapted from *Feasting on the Word* and *The Book of Common Worship*

Activities for the Week of June 21, 2026

Sunday, June 21, 2026

9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:30 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:45 AM	Instrument Petting Zoo (Westminster Hall)

Monday

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting (Parlor)
6:30 PM	G.I.F.T.S. Small Group (Offsite)

Tuesday

6:00 PM	Family Park Meet Up (Offsite)

Wednesday

8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (Online)
8:00 AM	Food & Clothing Ministry
6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Meeting (Online)
8:00 PM	Young Adult Cluster Meeting (Offsite)

Friday

TBA	Youth Movie Outing (Offsite)

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