

First Presbyterian Church of Monroe
3rd Sunday After Pentecost
June 13, 2021



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GATHERING

WELCOME

Cheryl Eder, Liturgist

PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCES

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

The God we worship is the giver of life:

**The One who makes the dry tree green
and grows a forest from the smallest seed.**

The God we worship is the giver of life:

**The One who forms us, names us, loves us,
and teaches us to share our lives with the world.**

OPENING HYMN

“O God Beyond All Praising”

GATHERING PRAYER

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God, you are the gardener of all creation. You planted this world with seeds of your love and grow them with your faithfulness. We are your harvest; we find our meaning and sustenance in you. May our minds listen to your calling, may our hearts be attuned to your will, may our feet follow you in the world, through Jesus Christ, the Word become flesh. **Amen.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

When we gather to worship God, we remember that we are God’s people.

But we have often preferred our way instead of God’s. Trusting God’s power to make us new persons in Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

When our actions are not consistent with the truth of your gospel,

Forgive us, Lord. Cleanse us and free us.

When our lives do not proclaim the power of your love,

Compel us Lord. Free us and forgive us.

When our minds are full of self-condemnation, with no room for your grace,

Revive us Lord. Forgive us and compel us.

For our lives are rooted in our faith in Jesus Christ,

and through Christ’s love alone we are reconciled to you. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

We walk by faith and not by sight;

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

So, friends believe the good news—

in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Glory to God. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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A STORY FOR ALL AGES *(a time for children young in years or young at heart)*

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Cheryl Eder, Liturgist

Holy Spirit, by your mysterious power speak to us your truth and show us your wisdom.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

First Reading

I Samuel 15:34-16:13

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Mark 4:26-34

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

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HYMN

“I Love Your Kingdom, Lord”

OFFERING

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God has provided us with all that we need. Free you have received. Freely give.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

SENDING

HYMN

“May the Mind of Christ, My Savior”

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

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Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year B, Volume 2. p. 31-34.

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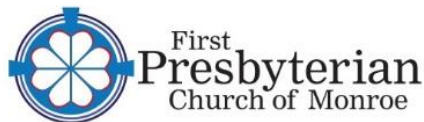
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Worship Time Change for Summer

June 27-September 5, worship is at 10:00 a.m.

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