

*First Presbyterian Church of Monroe  
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 25, 2021*



*“Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.”  
John 6:12, NRSV*

# GATHERING

## WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

## PRELUDE

## OPENING SENTENCES

Yoshie Pomerville

We gather in the presence of Christ.

**We gather, hungry and needy.**

In this holy place, nothing and no one will be left behind.

**The bread will be shared. The food multiplied.**

All will be filled. All will be satisfied.

**Miracles abound. Thanks be to God.**

## \*OPENING HYMN

"The Kingdom of God"

## GATHERING PRAYER

Yoshie Pomerville

Generous God, you give us what we need  
and satisfy our desires in due season.

Strengthen our inner beings through your Spirit,  
that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith.

Accomplish within us far more  
than all we ask or can imagine. **Amen**

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

**God of green grass and grace,  
the world's problems test our faith.  
We doubt all hungry people can be fed.  
We doubt your promises to provide.  
Miracle-making God,  
we are slow to partner with you  
in your miracle-laced plans.  
We make excuses for our sins  
and deny our complicity.  
Forgive us, Holy God,  
and free us to serve. Amen.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

### SUNG RESPONSE

"Give Thanks"

GTG 647

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

Yoshie Pomerville

### A STORY FOR ALL AGES

*(a time for children young in years or young at heart)*

## WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Yoshie Pomerville

Holy God, we bow the knees of our heart before you now.  
root us and ground us in love.

By the power of your Spirit,  
grant us the power to comprehend,  
with all the saints,  
the length and width,  
the height and depth  
of Christ's love and fullness in life in you. **Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE

#### First Reading

II Kings 4:42-44

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Psalm

Psalm 145:10-18

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Second Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Gospel Reading

John 6:1-21

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The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### SERMON

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

# REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*Sue Downing will be received by letter of transfer*

**Presentation  
Profession of Faith**

John Chesman, Clerk of Session

With the whole church, let us confess our 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 again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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.**

**Prayer  
Welcome**

Ann Lux, Ruling Elder

## **OFFERING**

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

## **\*HYMN**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

GTG 609

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Dr. Doris Chandler

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## **SENDING**

## **HYMN\***

"O For a Heart to Praise My God"

## **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

## **POSTLUDE**

**\*Those who wish to do so may stand.**

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## **Summer Worship Time Change**

Worship is at 10:00 a.m. through September 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **FPC Monroe Worship Team**

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