

SERVICE of WORSHIP

October 8, 2017

8:00am & 10:30am

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Good morning, friends. Welcome to a celebration of God's love.

People: Thank you. We are glad to be here this morning.

Leader: Today we will hear the good news of God.

People: In this world in which the news is often concerning, we look forward to hearing God's good news for us.

Leader: Prepare your spirits. Quiet your souls. God is ready for you.

ALL: Amen.

***HYMN: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" #379 (P)**

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

COMMUNITY PRAYER

Gracious and Patient God, as we come to you this day, we are mindful of our tendencies. We know in our hearts the many ways in which we have turned our backs on you and rejected your will for us. Like the people in the wilderness, we create for ourselves idols and worship them, only to discover their shallowness and emptiness for our lives. And we wonder what went wrong. Stop us in our tracks, O Lord. Turn us around. Help us to be open to your will for our lives. Today, open our hearts and our spirits to receive your holy word that we may again walk in the path of true discipleship. Amen.

(10:30am service only)

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Peace Like a River/Amen!" Wagner

CHILDREN'S TIME

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9 & 12-20

***HYMN: "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" #315 (P)**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:33-46

MESSAGE

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

God of our lives, who offers to us peace in the silence, a moment apart from the demands and struggles of life, relax our spirits today. We bring from our hearts to your hands, the names and situations which claim our worries and our attention. We come seeking healing for those who suffer, comfort for those who mourn, direction for the lost, and peace for all your people.

We pray for our team as they are returning from their time in mission and ministry with the people of Appalachia and at the Red Bird Mission that their time was truly filled with your grace.

We bring our joys and celebrations to you, thanking you for the many ways in which you have touched our lives with your love. Give us peace and strength for our service to this world in your name. Amen.

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS & TITHES

(over)

***DOXOLOGY: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; #592 (P)
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***DEDICATION OF OFFERING**

Surrounded by your peace and love, O God, we bring our gifts to you. Bless the gifts and the lives that they represent, that all may be used in your service and to your glory. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN: "How Great Thou Art"** #467(P)

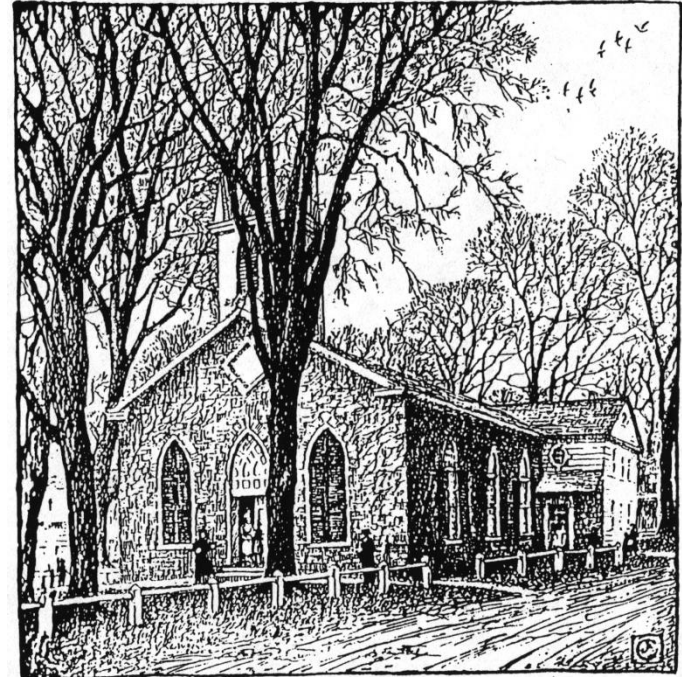
***BENEDICTION**

***MUSICAL DISMISSAL: "Go Now In Peace"**

Go now in Peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in Faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in Love, and show you believe;
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now in Peace, in Faith, and in Love.

***POSTLUDE**

Peru Community Church



"A Place for You to Encounter God"

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