

**Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church**  
Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. \*Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. \*Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**  
  
God of all people, we come this day as many people with many voices and passions and viewpoints. We are many and unique, yet we are all united in you. Through your word spoken today, renew in us the gift of your Spirit that we are one in the body of Christ, through the one baptism and the one holy table where we feast together. Transform the words we have heard so many times before and make them fresh for us today, that we may be reminded again of your abundant love and grace. Amen.

***Celebrating Our Freedom in Jesus Christ***  
***Beginning our sixteenth year of faithful living and giving!***  

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**Sunday, July 1, 2018**

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**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

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**THE CHURCH GATHERS**

**Prelude** Sarah Abushakra

Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ candle

**\*Hymn No. 2** *Come Thou, Almighty King*

**Greeting**  
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**  
The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**  
*(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)*

**TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD**

**\*Responsive Call to Worship** Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills  
God has called us to be the church in the world.  
**We worship as our witness to the world of our commitment to God.**  
God feeds us with bread and wine.  
**God nourishes us for our ministry in the world.**  
Let us worship the risen Christ, who is present in this sacrament.  
**Let us worship Jesus the Christ, who called us to take this sacrament in memory of him.**  
Let us lift our voices in praise and worship!

**\*Hymn No. 340** *This Is My Song*

**Call to Confession** Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills  
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sins, Jesus is faithful to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

**Unison Prayer of Confession** Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills  
**Gracious God, you called the peacemakers blessed, but we live as though the nation with the most weapons is blessed. You said that the meek shall receive mercy, but we live as though those who exude power and confidence to others benefit most. You called that we be pure in heart, but we fill our hearts and minds with so many things that are less than pure. You preached how the poor are blessed, but we do not feel blessed until we have more than enough. Forgive us, God. Forgive us for failing to live as Kingdom people. Forgive us for failing to live as people who understand that the blessed life is so contrary to the ways of this world. Forgive us, and have mercy upon us, we pray. We long to be blessed. Amen.**

*Silence for Personal Confession*

**Assurance of Pardon** Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills  
Through your baptism, you have been clothed with Christ, your old ways have been washed away. A new spirit is within you. Let us, therefore, go forth from this place with the assurance that we have been forgiven and are prepared to live as Christ-filled people. Let us go forth as individuals who always have another chance to share the love of God. Friends hear the Good News and believe it: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostle's Creed*  
*PCUSA Book of Confessions*

**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.**

**\*Hymn No. 582** *Glory Be to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Time With Young Disciples *Children's Church follows in Room 5*  
*The children are invited to come to the steps for the*  
*Time With Young Disciples*

**TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP**

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns  
**Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.**

**Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")**  
**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Christ Be With Me* Noel Arwsthorne  
Celebration Choir

**\*Doxology Hymn No. 609**  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**  
**Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, al-le-lu--ia!**

**\*Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**  
**As the manna appeared in the wilderness, your blessings have come to us. In ways we can never understand, you have given us life, not just in this world, but in the world to come. We offer to you now our gifts as symbols of our gratitude and devotion to you. Amen.**

**TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD, SHARED WITNESS**  
**AND SACRAMENT**

Scripture **Mark 5:21-43** NRSV  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Sermon *Desperate for Help and Healing*  
Pastor Tom Dendy

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\*Hymn Before Communion No. 501** *Feed Us Lord*

Invitation to the Lord's Table  
Words of Institution and Prayer of Preparation  
\* Sharing the Bread and Cup by Intinction  
(All who are able are invited forward to one of two stations. Those who need to remain seated will be served in place.)

**\*Hymn After Communion No. 701 (2X)** **Lord Prepare Me**

**AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD**

\*Charge and Benediction  
**\*Hymn No. 702** *Christ Be Beside Me*

\*Postlude Sarah Abushakra  
(\*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

**Prayers for Healing and Wholeness after Worship - 12:10 pm**  
**Anyone desiring to share in this time of prayer, please**  
**have a seat down front following worship and**  
**Dr. Dendy and an Elder will be with you shortly.**

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
<b>Sun July 1</b>	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Communion, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	Service of Prayers for Healing and Wholeness	12:10 pm
Tues July 3	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
Wed July 4	<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>	
	<b>CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED</b>	
<b>Sun July 8</b>	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am

**OUR MISSION** *is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!*