



**MADISON  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

# Madison Presbyterian Church

October 4, 2020 — 10:00 A.M.

## World Communion Sunday

### GATHERING GOD'S PEOPLE

If you are led to do so, please feel free to sing the hymns softly with Jonathan under your mask.

**PRELUDE**                      The Peace May Be Exchanged                      Locklair

### **WORDS OF WELCOME**

### **INVOCATION**

L: Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you.

**R: Lord, give us purity of heart and strength of purpose so that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness may keep us from doing it and, in your service, we would find perfect freedom. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**                      (Please introduce yourself before speaking.)

### **THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it. Today, God's world comes together to gather around the table of the Lord.

**R: We are the people of God!**

L: Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition,

**R: we are brothers and sisters in Christ!**

L: For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism.

**R: We are one in God's Spirit!**

L: We are one, and together we remember our Lord Jesus,

**R: for we are the people of redemption!**

L: He gave himself up for us so that we could be reconciled to God.

**R: Come, let us worship the God of our salvation!**

**\*HYMN** I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (text follows order of worship)

**THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

God wants us to be transformed and has provided a way for this to happen, though we have rebelled against him. Let us renounce our willfulness and seek his mercy by confessing our sins, repent and begin anew. Let us pray.

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

L: Gracious God, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

**R: We have followed the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. Lord, have mercy on us.**

(A moment of silence is observed.)

L: Lord, we pray that you will restore those who are penitent.

**R: And grant, O merciful God, for the sake of Christ, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life, for we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: In Jesus Christ, God forgives us and grants us mercy and grace. Believe the Good News of the Gospel. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

**R: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE** Gloria Patri 581

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**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Matthew 21:33-46 (text follows order of worship)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**R: Thanks be to God.**

**THE MESSAGE** God's Gift to Us Elder Sandy Fox

**ANTHEM** This Is My Song

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

<b>*THE APOSTLES' CREED</b>	35
<b>*DOXOLOGY</b>	606
<b>THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE</b>	

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Invitation**

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Institution**

**The Communion of the People**

**The Closing Prayer**

**\*HYMN**                      To God Be the Glory (text follows order of worship)

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**                      The People Respond—Amen!                      Locklair

Thank you for being with us in worship. If you are new in the area or are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us for worship, fellowship, study and service.

**LITURGIST**—Connie Huntington

**USHERS** — Heather Owsley-Smith and Dan Smith

## **I, the Lord of Sea and Sky**

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

(Refrain)

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

## **To God Be the Glory**

1. To God be the glory; great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in. (Refrain)

(Refrain)

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory: Great things he has done!

2. Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer and higher and great will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

## Matthew 21:33-46

<sup>33</sup>“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup>When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup>But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ <sup>39</sup>So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup>Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” <sup>41</sup>They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” <sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? <sup>43</sup>Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup>The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” <sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

## **PRAYER LIST**

**Congregation:** Mark Andreasen, Sharon Auxier, Dennis and Karen Bessenecker, Mike Dorsey, Stephen Goldsmith, Mary Louise Grimes, Bob and Pat Hughes, Al Huntington, Betty King, Joan Knowland, Beth Orrill, Alicia Ricketts, Jennifer Saroka, Staci Torres, Sondie Williams, Greg Zieseemer.

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**Family and Friends:** Mark Ashbrook, Karen Ault, Steve Baker, Michelle Barlow, the family of Bud Bunton, Michael Busching, James Callahan, Becky Chase, children separated from their parents, Marie Cross, Chip Custer, Jeff Dagher, Andrew Damm, Angel Dart, Phillip Eades, Steve Facemire, Shirley Griffith, Chuck Hale, Milly, Harness, Sarah Hull, Curtis Jacobs, Heidi Kendall and family, Joni Lanham, Jeff Lineburg (Janet Castor's twin brother), James Lutes, Madison Correctional Facility, Madison State Hospital, Shane Mason, Amanda McCurry (Cathy Owsley's niece), Bob Rouse, Jeff, Janna and Rachel Schmidt, Dan Shearer, Laryssa Smith, Jody Sullivan, Trey Taylor, Kenneth Thompson (Harriete Parton's grandson), Rodney Thompson, Jean Trillet (Jim Grant's sister), Warren (friend of Bob and Judith Glass), Dawson Whitaker, Laurel Lyn Wiest, Kyle Wilson.

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### **MPC Rotating Prayer Calendar for the Week of October 4**

Elliott and Emily Grier

Caroline, Ophelia, and Hattie

Kim Kreuzburg

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“We are part of the Family of God! As a Christian family, we seek to practice the generous hospitality of Jesus Christ, who welcomes all. As a worshipping family, we seek to enhance and expand our experience of God in worship.

As a family of Christ’s disciples, we seek to grow in our understanding of God’s grace and God’s claim upon our lives. As a mission-oriented family,

we express our faith in action. As an historic Presbyterian family in a contemporary setting, we are rooted and grounded in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as we strive to remain relevant to the needs of our community.

As the joyful children of God, we live in faith, hope and love!”

## THE SESSION

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