

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN *"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"* Hymnal#753

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE² *"Mozart's Rondo in D major, K. 485"* J. C. W. T. Mozart

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Worship notes: *congregation is invited to stand - **Bold** is to be said by congregation

¹ If you listened to any Christian radio stations in 2012-2013, you have probably heard the song *"10,000 Reasons."* After it topped the Christian radio charts for several months and won its composers two Grammy awards, the song was covered by numerous other Christian bands. While the song remains very popular, its origins are a bit lesser known. The text is based on the hymn *"Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven,"* which is a setting of Psalm 103. The second song we will do today in our grouping of newer hymns by Red Collective, one of the bands that has covered *"10,000 Reasons."* We sang this song last week, and we will continue to learn it today.

² We are so blessed to have such a talented music staff at our church! If you would like to listen to the postlude, feel free to move closer to the front of the church after the benediction where you can sit with others who will also be listening mindfully. "Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!" (Psalm 150:1)

Family Reunion: Meeting Some of Our Long-Lost Relatives *Ananias*



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Service for the Lord's Day

~June 30, 2019~

Family Reunion: Meeting Some of our Long-Lost Relatives *Ananias*

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC

As the music begins, please quiet yourself in anticipation of the worship of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nancy Mikoski

HYMN SING: OLD AND NEW

(Two favorites suggested by congregants and two newer contemporary Christian songs to learn. See the insert for the new songs and read the music notes on the back panel.¹)

*CALL TO WORSHIP - based on Psalm 103

Chris Larthey

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his blessings.

God forgives and heals us!

God redeems us and covers us with love and mercy!

God satisfies us with goodness every day, all our life long.

God renews us so we can soar like eagles!

Let us worship God!

*HYMN

"Come! Live in the Light"

Hymnal #749

CALL TO CONFESSION

Kacie Walton

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

God of grace, we want to be honest with you now. There is always money to be earned and subjects to be learned. There are people we want to see and places we want to be. We make our plans and then try to fit you in around the edges. Forgive us, Lord, for making you a postscript in our lives. Shine your light on us so that we can see you more clearly and answer with faith and boldness when you call. (*silent confession*). Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*RESPONSE HYMN

"Alleluia"

Hymnal #588

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Bill Traubel

God, source of all light, by your Word give light to our lives. Shape us into your people. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Jonah 1:1-3 and 3:1-3a

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. David Hallgren

(Young worshippers may go to Child Care in Room 102 in the Nursery School building. Cherub Music Time will resume in September. Visitors welcome.)

*HYMN

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

Hymnal #69

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 9:1-19

SERMON

"Ananias"

Rev. Nancy A. Mikoski

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING and MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP

OFFERTORY

"Lead Me, Guide Me"

arr. John Carter

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

Lord, it is because we love you that we give you these gifts. Receive them and bless them. Point us to where you need us to go with your love and grace this week. Amen.

WE NEED YOU HELP WITH SECURING OUTSIDE DOORS 100% OF THE TIME.

– We have had multiple and repeated instances where certain outside doors are left unlocked. In particular, we find the following doors unlocked most often, and we don't know for how long before we came upon this condition by chance: the sanctuary door nearest the driveway, the door at the top of the ramp leading to behind the organ, and the PIT door to the driveway near the boilers. (Of course, all doors must be closed carefully.) Please do not count on the doors slamming shut and latching. Just check the door from the outside if you think you might be the last person out that door to make sure it is locked. This extra vigilance is greatly appreciated.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LYNDA MATTHEI will be on July 13, Saturday, at 11 am, followed by a reception in Upper Titus.

THE DRIVE FOR CLEAN, WEARABLE CLOTHING for adults and children to benefit the clients of the Trenton Rescue Mission will begin on August 11 and conclude on August 26. We changed the collection location and moved it to the PIT to make loading on the Mission's trucks easier.

REMEMBER THE BOOK DRIVE? - We posted in Upper Titus a thank you for our participation from Senator Turner who organized the drive. Check out the pictures. The children are beaming with delight about everyone's generosity.

PENNINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Nancy Mikoski *Associate Pastor:* David Hallgren

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WELCOME! We extend a warm greeting to newcomers and visitors and invite you to join fully in the life of our church. Coffee/fellowship hour is held following our service. For printed information, please stop by the Visitors Welcome Table. **CHILDREN'S BIBLES** are available. Please feel free to look for one for your child and take it to where you are seated. **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS** with paper, crayons, etc., are also available. **RESERVED PARKING** is available for people who must park close to our entrances. Please respect the special needs of others. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** We appreciate your consideration in not taking flash pictures, and silencing cell phones during the worship services, as it is disruptive to the other worshippers. Thank you

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Timothy Kianka; Charles and Elsa Koczan;

Eric, Diana, Kiersten and Jenna Kollevoll; Tyler Krampf

OUR MISSION TEAM IS BUSY WORKING WITH OUR CLEAN WATER PARTNERS IN MEXICO. Please continue your prayers of support for their work and travels. We look forward to their report.

AS YOU SHOP THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER, REMEMBER OUR FOOD INSECURE NEIGHBORS WITH SOME NUTRITIOUS FOOD FOR THE RED WAGONS. Thank you.

JULY 7 MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AFTER WORSHIP – The meeting will be in the sanctuary for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relationship with Rev. David Hallgren. Following the meeting, there will be a special fellowship time in Upper Titus to celebrate David's ministry and to wish him and his family well in this next chapter of their lives. Please join us for both. (Note: There will be a special Pastor's Thoughts in the July 1 FOCUS written by David Hallgren that you should read.)

THE NEXT SUMMER FUN EVENT WILL BE A FAMILY CAMPOUT IN THE COURTYARD ON JULY 12, starting at 6:30 pm and concluding at 9 am on the 13th. There will be hotdogs, a fire pit, campfire songs and games. Please let the church office know if you plan to campout: office@pennpres.org or 609-737-1221, x-10.

SCHEDULE:

July 1 - MONDAY - summer hours for the church office begin - 9 am to 12 noon

July 1 – MONDAY – 6:00 pm – Last regular season game: PPC vs. Yardbird Racing @ Hopewell 1 Field

July 7 - SUNDAY - After worship - Special Congregation meeting and reception for David Hallgren

PRAYING FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD ONE COUNTRY AT A TIME – This week we are praying for South Korea that occupies the southern part of the Korean Peninsula. The capital is Seoul, and there are about 51.4 million people living in South Korea (SK.) English is taught through high school.

This peninsula has a temperate climate and is bordered by the Sea of Japan and the Yellow Sea. More than two-thirds of SK is considered mountainous, so high population density is in the lowlands and mostly in and around Seoul which is about 35 miles from the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) separating SK and North Korea.

Their biggest contribution to sports is that SK is the birthplace of Tae Kwan Do. Golf, football, basketball, volleyball, tennis, and baseball are also popular. SK has won more medals in the Winter Olympics than any other Asian country.

SK has very diverse wildlife with 18,000 species of animals, several of which are endangered. The 10 animals that are native to SK are the white-naped crane, the Asiatic black bear, the lynx, the Kungang fat minnow, the Siberian musk deer, the mandarin duck, the common minke whale, the Korean goral (a hoofed animal), the Amur leopard, and the Korean crevice salamander. The spotted seal is said to be the most recognized animal from SK.

People have lived in SK for about 15,000 years. Between 57 BC and 668, there were 3 kingdoms in the Korean Peninsula and Manchuria. In 372, Buddhism was introduced from China. The 3 kingdoms were destroyed and from 698 to 926 Silla and Balhae existed together as the northern and southern kingdoms. In 918, the kingdom of Goryeo began and ruled until 1392, and the name Korea comes from Goryeo. The world's oldest bronze-type printing technology was invented in the Goryeo Dynasty. In 1392 a man from the Korean military went to China, and when he returned to Korea he became king and changed the kingdom. The name became Joseon, and the kingdom and China became friends. Buddhism was no longer important and Confucianism became the new religion. The Korean alphabet was invented in 1443.

There were many battles between Korea and Japan. In 1895 Japan won the first Sino-Japanese War on the Korean Peninsula that ended the Chinese influence in Korea. In 1910, Korea became a colony of Japan and was occupied from 1910 to

1945. The experience of that occupation still has lingering impact on the people of Korea, despite the fact that they are now allies.

When WWII started, the policy of the Japanese government changed and made the religion of Japan – Shinto – the religion of Korea. In 1945, Japan lost the war, and the USA and the Soviet Union (SU) made a contract; the USA would occupy the south and the Soviet Union would occupy the north. But the Korean people wanted independence. As the Cold War started after WW II, the USA and the SU refused to settle. In 1948, the people in the south with the help of the USA made an independent country called South Korea. The Soviet Union remained in the north. In 1950, the Korean War started when NK, with the support of China and SU, invaded SK. Open warfare ended in 1953 with a truce, but no peace treaty was ever signed; consequently the border between the two countries never changed.

Before the Korean War, NK was actually a larger and more industrial economy than SK. Now, SK is an advanced country with large cities, high-speed trains, high-speed internet, and many television and radio networks. SK is a democracy with a free press but with restrictions on freedom of expression, association, and assembly. There is discrimination against LGBT persons, women, racial and ethnic minorities, and foreigners. Traditional food is kimchi (salted and fermented vegetables); people traditionally eat seaweed soup on their birthday.

Water and air pollution, typhoons, floods, labor and union issues, discrimination against women, sexual harassment, and domestic violence are all issues. There is continuous concern regarding relationships with and among North Korea, Russia, China, and the USA.

A majority (about 57%) have no formal religious affiliation or they follow Korean folk religion; 20% are Protestant, 16% Buddhism, and 8% Catholic. After 1945, many of the Korean Christian population left communist North Korea for the anti-communist SK. PC USA partners with the Presbyterian Church of Korea in a ministry that includes higher education and youth ministries, theological education, health ministries, women's and children's ministries, as well as peace education, reconciliation, and reunification endeavors. The largest Presbyterian church in the world, Myungsung Presbyterian Church, is in Seoul, SK. It has over 100,000 members who worship in a few locations plus ten 'screen' (video) churches.