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REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) July 28, 2024

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.

MOMENT FOR CHRISTIAN ENRICHMENT

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Celebration Fanfare Laudate Jason W. Krug (b. 1978)

CWM RHONDDA

Rev. Boyd Lien

Dr. Jed Howington

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

We have heard there is a time for everything,

and a season for all things under heaven.

We have known times of weeping and times filled with laughter.

We have mourned in our time, and we have danced.

There will still be times that tear us apart, and times when we shall mend.

There will be a need for silence, and there will be a need to speak out.

There is a time for everything. A time for prayer, a time for singing, a time for proclaiming truth and hope.

Now is the time to worship the Lord!

*HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all time, of our good days and not so good ones, of our moments of compassion and our moments of callousness, of our hours of uncertainty and our rising into confidence. Lord, you are in the waves of our character that can change with the tide, one minute brave, the next afraid. We sometimes vacillate in our loyalties and even our love, but you are steadfast, Lord. Your love never ceases, your glory never fades, your mercy is without end. May we have a share in this portion. May our hearts, minds, and souls find strength in your strength, grace in your grace, hope in your hope, so that we may be steadfast in all our ways and throughout every breath-filled day.

*SILENT PRAYER

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

In the time of planting, we were sown in the fields of the Lord, who nourishes and sustains, encourages and prunes us. In him, our time is a season in the sun and a season of the Son. Thanks be to God who watches over our lives and brings us into each new season with strength and hope!

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT		Ms. Joy Maple
*HYMN 819	Be Still, My Soul	FINLANDIA
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION		Rev. Ellsworth-Moran
SCRIPTURE READING	Esther 4:9-17	

SERMON

Dr. Casto-Waters

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision

Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Rev. Lien

(1918 - 2013)

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

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good,

We praise you for your mercies,

for your goodness that has created us vour grace that has sustained us.

your discipline that has corrected us,

your patience that has borne with us,

and your love that has redeemed us.

Help us to love you, and be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

Dr. Casto-Waters 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 guick 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 366	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	HYFRYDOL
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	Donald Hustad

*All who are able please stand

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¹ Based on Ecclesiastes 3



Participating in Worship

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