

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FOREVER PIECES: THE PEW

OCTOBER 17, 2021 | 11:00 A.M.



## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Bold text is read  
by the congregation.**

**\*Asterisk indicates when to  
stand in body or in spirit.**

*The Preparation for Worship  
is by writer, speaker, and  
former professor at Syracuse  
University, Rosaria  
Champagne Butterfield.*



### HANDBELL PEAL

WELCOME

THE REVEREND DAVID J. POWERS

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"We may never know the treacherous journey people have taken  
to land in the pew next to us."

### PRELUDE

GIOVANNI GIACOMO GASSTOLDI (17TH C), ARR. DALE WOOD

"IN THEE IS GLADNESS" "IN DIR IST FRUDE"

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

JEANENE MUTCHLER

God calls us to worship, and we gather,

**some with laughter and songs of joy.**

God calls us to worship, and we gather,

**some with heavy hearts and grief.**

God calls us to worship, and we gather,

**some with eagerness and enthusiasm.**

God calls us to worship, and we gather,

**some with distraction and exhaustion.**

As God's beloved children,

we bring our joy and pain, hurt and hope

into this place of Spirit-given grace and renewal.

**Hymn 305:** This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme “Celebrate the Journey.” The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.



# \*HYMN OF CELEBRATION No. 305

DARWALL'S 148TH

“COME SING, O CHURCH, IN JOY!”

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!  
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,  
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,  
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!  
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!  
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!  
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

Brian Dill (b.1949)

*In the presence of a holy God, we become aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, and the ways we have hurt others. We turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.*



*We sing in thanksgiving for the gifts of forgiveness and new life.*



*Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor in a sacredly distanced way.*

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE REVEREND SARA DORRIEN-CHRISTIANS

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love.

We have not loved our neighbors,

and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

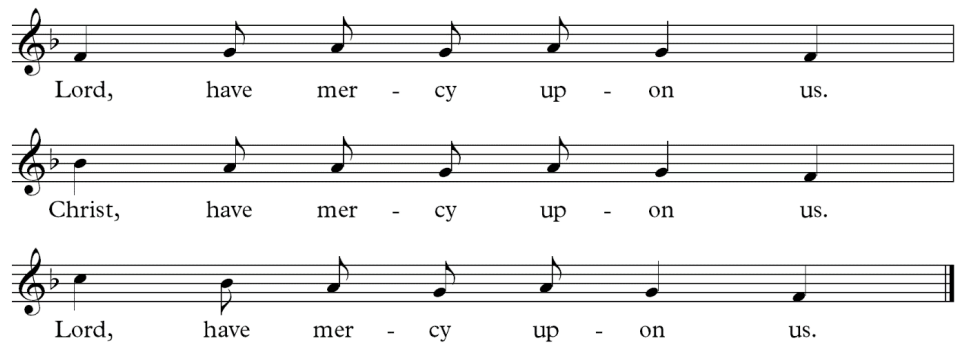
Free us for joyful obedience;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Silent Confession)

## \*KYRIE

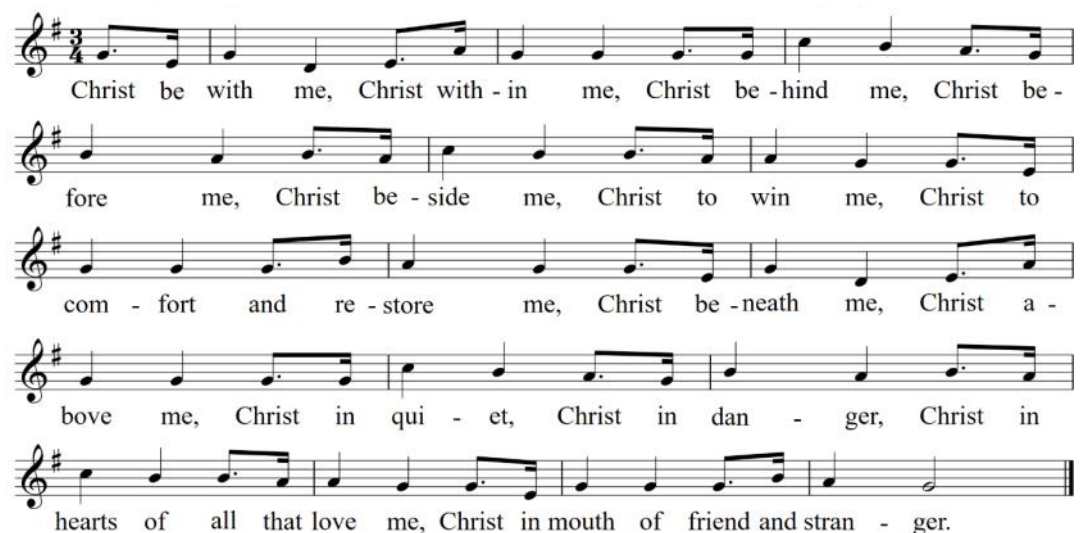
John Merbecke (1550); arr Healey Willian (1930)



## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*RESPONSE

ATTR. TO PATRICK; TR, CECIL FRANCIS ALEXANDER



## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PHILIP GILLESPIE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!



*At this time, potty-trained  
threes to kindergarteners  
are welcome to proceed to  
the hallway with an adult  
and sign in with Ms. Emily.*



*The sermon is a reflection  
on the day's scriptures,  
suggesting implications for  
our faith and life*



## TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

JEANENE MUTCHLER

### 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, for ever. Amen.

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LUCY MOORE

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

REV. POWERS

NUMBERS 11:16-17, 24-25

### ANTHEM

CHARLES VILLIERS STANFORD (1852-1924)

#### "IN THEE IS GLADNESS"

*In thee is gladness, amid all sadness,  
Jesus, sunshine of my heart!  
By thee are given the gifts of heaven,  
Thou the true Redeemer art!  
  
Our souls thou wakest, our bonds thou breakest,  
Who trusts thee surely, hath built securely,  
He stands for ever: Hallelujah!  
  
Our hearts are pining, to see thy shining,  
Dying or living to thee are cleaving,  
Nought can us sever, Hallelujah!*

- trans. From German (1630) by Catherine Winkworth

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

EPHESIANS 4:1-7, 11-16

### SERMON

"FOREVER PIECES: THE PEW"

### SILENT REFLECTION

*The Apostles' Creed may originally have been a baptismal creed. While it is stated in the singular, it is meant to be used corporately. In saying it together we are united with the faithful of the church from all ages.*



*During this time, we invite you to continue your support of the church and her mission. Giving is available through Realm, the mail, or in person through the collection plates in the narthex or main hallway.*

*Doxology literally means "words of glory." Doxologies have long been used by Jews and Christians to praise God. We honor and thank God "from whom all blessings flow."*



# RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE REVEREND ELIZABETH H. DOOLIN

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

## MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

MICAH

LEIGH-TAYLOR WHITE &  
DAVID RHODES

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

REV. DORRIEN-CHRISTIANS

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

REV. DOOLIN

## \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all creatures here below.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God whom we adore.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Hymn 307:** This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.



Please keep sacred distance as you leave church.



## \*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 307

CWM RHONDDA

### "GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY"

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple  
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -  
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its  
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our  
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in  
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969)

## \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

REV. POWERS

### POSTLUDE

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH (1685-1750)

### "IN THEE IS GLADNESS" BWV 615

## WELCOME NOTICES

**Welcome to Idlewild!** We are glad to have you join us for worship.

If you are new to Idlewild, it is our prayer that you will experience the presence of God while you are here. At Idlewild, it is our hope that all who enter find a home.

**Children are always welcome in worship.** In addition, childcare for children 6 weeks—2 years is available in the Jones Building in Room 153. During the 11:00 service there is a special Time with the Younger Church, after which children who are potty-trained ages 3 years—5 years may go to Worship and Wonder located in the Old Library on the second level. Parents pick up children from Worship and Wonder following the conclusion of worship. Children of all ages are invited to pick up a worship packet in the main hallway that can be utilized to enhance their worship experience.

**New members are received by the Session.** If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Please call (901)726-4681 during the week.

**For confidential prayer requests,** call the prayer chain, (901)487-6062.

**If you have a personal emergency,** hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office at (901)726-4681. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may leave a confidential message (please press one to reach the voicemail box). Messages are checked regularly so that pastoral needs can be directed to the clergy.

## WORSHIP NOTICES

**The sanctuary flowers are given** this morning to the glory of God in appreciation for our church staff for their continued dedication.

**Sanctuary flowers** are given in honor, celebration, or in appreciation of those we love. We appreciate your generosity in providing flowers to adorn our sanctuary for Sunday services. If you are interested in donating, find the registration page at [www.idlewildchurch.org/registration](http://www.idlewildchurch.org/registration). **October 31 along with November 21 are available for flower donations.**

**The 11:00 service** is live at [livestream.com/idlewild](http://livestream.com/idlewild) and on 96.1 FM. (Livestream apps are available for Roku and mobile devices.)

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**Bulletin art** is created by Zoe Whelan.

## COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Sunday, October 31st 2021

### 11:00 AM: Worship

Bring your 2022 Commitment Card to worship. Together, we will commit during a special moment in worship either in-person or on Livestream.

### 12:00 AM: Fried Chicken Tailgate

Gather in the church parking lot for a tailgate style picnic. Those who ordered chicken will receive their order. All are welcome to bring sides, chairs, and friends to celebrate Commitment Sunday.

### 1:15 PM: Carillon Concert: *"The Addams Family' Clicks with the Classics"*

David Caudill, Senior Carillonner, will be playing classic Halloween tunes, favorite hymns, and classical pieces. Join us in the Garth.



# The Mission of Idlewild

The mission of Idlewild Presbyterian Church is to pursue, personify, and practice as Presbyterians the good news of reconciliation and salvation in Christ through worship, formation, nurture, and outreach.

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## A Vision of Idlewild

Idlewild Presbyterian Church is a community in which ...

**J**esus Christ is the center;  
the mighty voice of God inspires us to love;  
the Spirit joyfully sustains and nurtures seekers of every age,  
stage, and circumstance.

**W**orship forms the core of community life;  
prayer binds our brokenness and connects us in Christ's love  
to God and to one another;  
music, poetry, and art flourish in gratitude to our Creator;  
the beauty of creation is treasured and preserved;  
all the members of the church are ministers.

**T**he focus is scripture and its meaning for today;  
faith is formed and spirits nourished through reflection,  
practice and shared learning;  
the wisdom of other faith traditions is respected;  
and a diverse membership enriches and unites us.

**J**ustice speaks loudly and peace is our aspiration;  
all voices are heard;  
recreation and play are a wellspring for fellowship,  
celebration, and growth;  
the love of God guides our minds and spirits,  
leading us to right action in our hearts, our homes,  
our community, our nation, and our world,

**A**nd all who enter find a home.



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### MINISTERIAL AND PROGRAM STAFF

Ministers: All the members of Idlewild Presbyterian Church

For staff phone numbers and emails visit [www.idlewildchurch.org](http://www.idlewildchurch.org) or call the church.

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**Sara Dorrien-Christians**  
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