

Sunday June 29, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of BELLA VISTA

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A SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

An asterisk (*) indicates that those who are able may stand; **Bold type** — please respond in unison.

WE GATHER AND PREPARE OUR HEARTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Sing and Rejoice"

Lani Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people."

Lord, help us follow where you lead.

Jesus said, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Lord, help us put you first and follow you.

Jesus said, "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also."

Lord, help us follow you that we may serve you.

The peace of Christ be with all of you.

And also with you. Let us worship God.

*HYMN #267

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

CALL TO CONFESSION (Hebrews 4:14, 16)

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, you claimed us as your own in our baptisms and called us to be your covenant people. We confess we do not live as people created in your image, nor do we lead lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. Jesus still calls, "Follow me" and we offer excuses because we can't do that. Jesus calls us to new life in the Spirit, and we cling to our old habits and tired traditions. Gracious God, forgive our sins. Open our ears and hearts to hear Jesus's call and give us grace and strength to respond in faith and love. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen

(Moment of silence for personal confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Titus 3:4-7)

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, God saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to God's mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

This Spirit God poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by God's grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

(Please take this opportunity to share the sign of "peace".)

*GLORIA PATRI #581

WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14 When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. 15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. 16 He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 100

ANTHEM

"A Joyful, Jubilant Song" Michael Barrett

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

² Serve the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

³ Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his: we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.

⁵ For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷ "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed this day, may our hearts be enlightened and our spirits strengthened that we may be more faithful followers of Jesus, the Word made flesh. Amen.

SERMON

"A Time for Celebration and Thanksgiving"

Rev. Joe Tropansky

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*HYMN #724

"O Jesus, I Have Promised."

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from "A Declaration of Faith")

We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God. We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord' He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please fill out a prayer card or speak directly into the microphone

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

When Jesus sent his disciples on their mission, he told them, "Freely. you have received, freely give." Surely the same applies to us as followers of Jesus today. We are who we are, and we have what we have because of God's grace freely given in Jesus Christ. With grateful hearts, let us present our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY

"Cantilena"

David Paxton

*DOXOLOGY #606

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the undeserved blessings you give us. Most of all, we thank and praise you for your indescribable gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Give us grateful hearts and willing lives so we may follow our Lord where he leads us and serve our Lord as he calls us. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO MINISTER

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN—INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Moderator — Susan Foster

Secretary—Dorothy Margve

Treasurer—Cathie Whittenberger—term to December

Deloris Jennings—term—January to December 2026

Historian-Florence Riter

Essentials Outreach—Sandy Bachelder

Busy Hands-Sharon Warner

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN #634

"To God Be the Glory"

*CHARGE & BLESSING

*GOING FORTH #743

"God, You Are My God"

*POSTLUDE

"Sonatina"

M. Clementi, Op. 36, No.1



Weekly Vista

WELCOME!

We hope you will find your time of worship with us to be very meaningful. We are an open faith community.

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www.pcbv.org, or call
the Church Office at
855-2390 if you
would like to learn
more about us and
inquire about
membership.

JULY OFFICE HOURS

MON-THURS: 9 am to 1 pm FRIDAY: CLOSED

For pastoral emergencies, please call or text Pastor Judi at 479-403-9082. Pastor's day off is Friday, she will return calls later. To schedule an in-person appointment, please email her at jmcmillan@pcbv.org stating your need.

Deacons on Call for June: Sharon Judson Pat Slatton 6/22/2025 Attendance: Members & Friends: 80 Visitors: 5 Online: 14



You are invited to refreshments and a time of fellowship after the service.

Flowers today are given by Terry Woods, in loving memory of her husband, Jack Woods.



all generations

Psalm 100:5

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 29 9:00am Christian Ed Class 10:00am Worship Tlam-12pm Fellowship Time (F/H)

Monday, June 30 NO EVENTS

Tuesday, July 1 5:30pm Men's AA (A)

Wednesday, July 2 NO EVENTS

Thursday, July 3 NO EVENTS

Friday, July 4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 1:00pm Busy Hands (Lobby)

Saturday, July 5 NO EVENTS

Sunday, July 6 9:00am Christian Ed Class 10:00am Worship—Communion Tlam-12pm Fellowship Time (F/H)

BIRTHDAYS

June 29 Richard Dahlquist

Session Highlights from the June Meeting:

- 1. Judi reported on the Presbytery Meeting at Ferncliff as Moderator. We dedicated Evergreen Hall and the summer staff at worship at Ferncliff. Presbytery heard from many of the committees who are working on new ministries of care. You can read all about Presbytery on the website, presbyark.org by using the tab "News and Events" for the latest newsletter
- 2. The Session Elders have completed three of the five Boundary Training Videos as required by the Book of Order. We have discussed Shepherding, Crafting a Leadership Covenant and we recently watched and learned about Triangulation in the church. You may see a copy of our 2025 covenant in the session minutes, which are printed out in the office.
- 3. Session received word several months ago from Laura Vits that her parents, Marilyn and Lou Vits, were gifting money from their estate to the church. I spoke with Laura about some projects that were not budgeted and a small team from session formed to discuss those options. Session voted to improve the office area and name it "The Gathering Space." Session also voted to designate these funds from their estate to remodel that area. The closet will be turned into a dry coffee/tea bar for use. The area will have fresh paint and new furnishings and artwork. Everyone, we hope, will use the space for gathering around small conversation tables, and have time to fellowship after events in the church.

Following each session meeting, I will offer three highlights. As always, if you have questions, please ask the session!

We are taking July off and will resume our session meetings in August.

Peace and love, Pastor Judi Due to Staff vacations and no meetings in July. Office hours will be 9-1pm

Pastor Judi's schedule is:

June 26-July 12th—pastor study @ Ring Lake and vacation.

July 13th-17th she will be in the office July 18-August 2nd—pastor study @ Chatauqua and vacation.

Ann will be on vacation July 18th—August 2nd. Please have anything for the July 20th, 27th and August 3rd bulletins or check requests to Ann by July 14th. Thank you.

Please make appointments if needed.

We are going to start collecting Essential Items for Essential Outreach. There are collection bins in Connector Hallway. Thank you in advance for donations.



10 Essential Items can go a long way to keep a family healthy. We collaborate with communities outside of the NWA corridor to provide these health and hygiene items to families in need. Items are all Family Size

What are the "Essential" Items?

1. Shampoo

2. Bar Soap

3. Razors

4. Toilet paper

5. Dish Detergent

6. Toothbrushes

7. Laundry Detergent

8. Deodorant

9. Hand Soap

10.Toothpaste

Mission: "Essentials Outreach works to collaborate with communities outside of the NWA corridor to assist those in need. Our goal is to provide essential items which otherwise may be unattainable for those living at or near poverty.

www.essentialsoutreach.org