# July 30, 2023

Our PCAS Vision: "To be a Light by Living, Loving, Learning, and Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Order of Worship (\*Please rise in body and/or spirit)

### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Larry Shackley

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather, having cast nets that came up empty in previous days.

People: We gather, bringing our prayers that our nets might be filled.

Leader: We gather, hoping to find abundance in God where others have failed to provide.

People: We gather, casting our nets this time in the waters of faith.

\*Hymn #386 Come, Worship God

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#### Call to Confession

Leader: Let us pray together, confessing our lost identities and our true hope:

## Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of Mercy and Steadfast Love,

Forgive us, we pray, when we forget who we are as those called to bear the name of Christ. Forsaking his ways and his commandments, we become people who abandon the ways of justice and love. We lose our identities, becoming predatory sharks when we are called to be peaceful schools of fish, finding safety and fulfillment in our unity and community.

Call us back, O Lord, as often as we stray, into your school. Equip us to swim against the stream of injustice and unrighteousness. Remind us of who we are as people baptized into the waters of life.

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#### **Moment for Silent Reflection**

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: In Christ, we swim in the waters of life. We are carried along by currents of mercy and love, and the cleansing currents of God's grace wash away our sin. Let us feel the refreshing waves of forgiveness, and the buoyant forces of love lifting us up. Amen.

## Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson: Genesis 7:6-20

This is the Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God!

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer Passing the Peace

\*Hymn #721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore music page 5

**Second Scripture Lesson** John 21:1-14

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks Be to God!

Sermon "Gone Fishin': What's in my Net?"

Offering

**Offertory** Cantilena Josef Rheinberger

\*Doxology

**Prayer of Dedication** 

\*Hymn #432 How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord music page 6

**Benediction** 

**Postlude** Rondeau Jean Joseph Mouret

#### Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Katja Gruening
Director of Music Ministries: Marcello Velame

Liturgist: John Hanley

Music Ministry: Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth Ushers: Peter Bruguiere

Rich Vodhanel

Zoom Hosts: John Palframan

Jim Wright

Social Hour: Judy Murphy and Carol Streeper

#### Women's Fall Retreat



Women's Fall Retreat – A Fruitful Life: Abiding in God's Grace Across the Seasons

A Fruitful Life: Abiding in God's Grace Across the Seasons No...

PW has received a generous gift and the PW Board decided to use part of the money to invite all women members to enjoy the Women's Fall Retreat at newly renovated Johnsonburg on October 27-29. A Fruitful Life: Abiding in God's Grace through the Seasons is the theme for the weekend which begins with dinner on Friday and ends with lunch on Sunday.

Registration will open sometime in August. As soon as it opens each participant must go online to register and indicate that they are from PCAS so that the payment can be made by PW and so that we can be housed together.

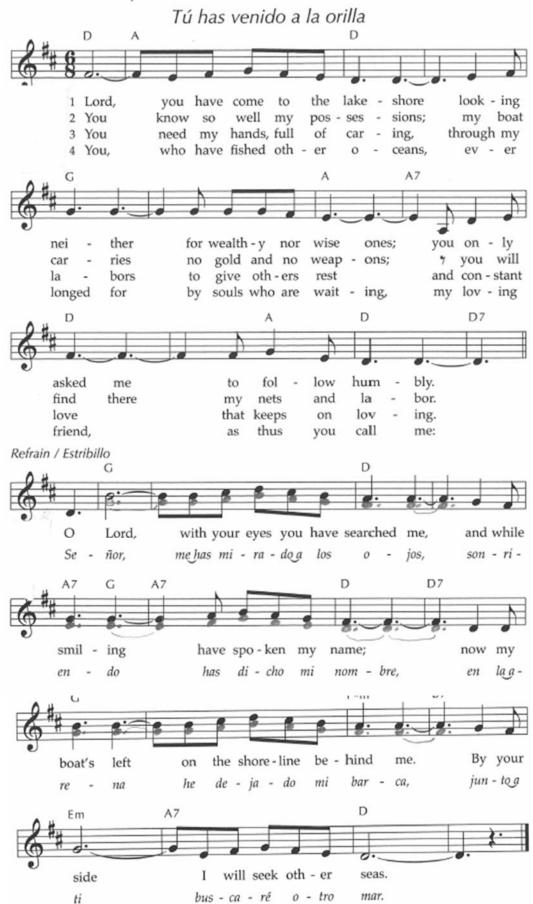
For now, if you are interested in going, find a roommate and contact Nancy Vodhanel at <a href="mailto:nvodhanel@gmail.com">nvodhanel@gmail.com</a> or 732-530-7641 to let her know you are planning to go. Johnsonburg needs a list of those who are from PCAS for finances and lodging, so be sure to get your name to Nancy. There is no cost to you since this is being paid for using our generous gift.

You can check out the details of the retreat by clicking on the link at <a href="https://www.campiburg.org/events/womens-fall-retreat/">https://www.campiburg.org/events/womens-fall-retreat/</a>

For any questions, please contact Nancy Vodhanel (info above).



# 721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore



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# How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord 432



- 1 How clear is our vo ca tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
- 2 But if, for-get ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
- 3 We mar vel how your saints be-came in hin-dranc-es more sure:
- 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to geth er or a lone,



to live ac-cord-ing to your word and dai-ly learn, re-freshed, reif world-ly pres-sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not unwhose joy - ful vir-tues put to shame the ca-sual way we wear your in old rou-tines or ven-tures new, may we not cease to look to



stored, that you are Lord of all and will not let fall. wind its tan-gled skein of care: our in-ward life re - pair. name, and by our faults ob - scure your power to cleanse and cure. the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav-ored, done.

# Meeting Schedule Week of July 31st

31 JUL, MON	● 7 – 9pm	Boy Scouts (FH)
1 AUG, TUE	<ul> <li>9:30 - 10:30am</li> <li>11am - 12pm</li> <li>5 - 7pm</li> </ul>	Wisdom Tree Yoga - Chair Yoga Fitness(FH)  Overeaters Anonymous (TR)  Mental Health Association of Monmouth County (FH)
2 AUG, WED	• 9:15 – 10:15am	Yoga Small Group - (FH)
5 AUG, SAT	• 7:30 – 9pm	AA (TR and FH)
6 AUG, SUN	<ul> <li>10 - 11am</li> <li>11am - 12pm</li> <li>3:30 - 4:30pm</li> <li>5 - 6pm</li> </ul>	Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)  Coffee Hour (SR)  AA (TR)  AA (TR)