

September 4th, 2022

*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 The Everlasting Arms setting by Wilbur Held

*Call to Worship

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**People: Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's
presence with singing!**

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Hymn #664 Morning has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!

Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

Call to Confession

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this:
While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have
faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be
what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have
sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in
forgetting your love.**

**By your loving mercy. help us to live in your light and abide in your
ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson John 1:14

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn #630 Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Ruler of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine.

Second Scripture Lesson Genesis 16:1-15

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

Sermon "A God Who Sees"

The Reverend Harlan Redmond

*Affirmation of Faith

**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;
for 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.**

*Hymn #581 Glory Be to the Father

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.

Offering

Offertory Softly and Tenderly

setting by Wilbur Held

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #661 His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home;
when Jesus is my portion? My constant Friend is he;
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

Refrain:

*I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free;
for his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.*

“Let not your heart be troubled,” his tender word I hear,
and resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
though by the path he leadeth, but one step I may see;
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. *[Refrain]*

Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise;
when songs give place to sighing, when hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to him, from care he sets me free;
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. *[Refrain]*

*Benediction

Postlude Come Down, O Love Divine

Ralph Vaughn Williams

*Flowers today are in loving memory of Dottie & Jack Grossmann
on their 68th wedding anniversary.*

With love Nancy, Michael, Kristin and Megan Dingelstedt

Rev. Harlan Redmond was born and raised in New Orleans, Louisiana. He served in the United States Army for 5 years in Germany and throughout Europe and is a veteran of the Iraq War. He has a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership from Azusa Pacific University and a Masters in Teaching with an emphasis in Urban Education from the University of Southern California. Harlan served for 7 years as Executive Director/ Principal of Harambee Preparatory School, a Christian elementary school for low-income students. Harlan is a recent graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, graduating with a master's in divinity. After graduating seminary, Harlan and his family moved back to Southern California to launch a new worshipping community, called Interwoven, it is a church plant that is dedicated to engaging in the process of Oneness as Jesus prayed in John 17. The church officially launched Easter Sunday of 2022. Harlan and his wife of 20 years, Nanyamka, reside in Pasadena, California with their three sons, Harlan Jr., Dietrich, and Langston Scott Redmond.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Homecoming Sunday on September 11th

You are warmly invited to join us on Sunday, September 11th at 10am for worship, as God says "welcome home". We've been dispersed by summer travels, covid, and the curveballs of life. We look forward to grounding ourselves again in God's Word and among God's people. We look forward to hearing from two people about how they have been enveloped by the good news of Jesus Christ. Those stories will help us to find our own understanding of how the Good News is good. We will be gathering at the Lord's Table for communion, and then around our fellowship tables to share a potluck meal after worship. We have a place at the tables for you. Come and be fed in spirit and in body. It's the perfect time to also bring a friend and introduce them to the grace and love of God that we share as Christ's church.

If Zoom makes it possible for you to join us, we'll be thrilled to welcome you there. If you need help getting connected, call the church and let us know.

Homecoming Sunday Potluck

Immediately following our Homecoming Service, please join us for a potluck luncheon. Sandwiches will be provided. We are asking for people to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share.

To sign up, please: use the Signup Genius link below, use the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or call or email the Church Office.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050949A4A72FA2FE3-presbyterian>

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Meeting Schedule Week of September 4th

4	SEP, SUN	● 10 – 11am	Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
		● 11am – 12pm	Coffee Hour (Social Room)
		● 3:30 – 4:30pm	AA (TR)
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7	SEP, WED	● 7 – 9pm	Boy Scouts (FH)
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8	SEP, THU	● 4:45 – 5:45pm	Yoga Small Group (FH)
		● 6 – 7pm	Bells (Social Room)
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10	SEP, SAT	● 8 – 9:30am	Men's Group (offsite)
		● 7:30 – 9pm	AA (TR and FH)
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11	SEP, SUN	● 10 – 11am	Sunday Worship - Homecoming Service (Sanctuary)
		● 11:30am – 1pm	Homecoming Service Potluck (FH)
		● 12:30 – 1:30pm	Presbyterian Women Board Meeting (TR)
		● 3:30 – 4:30pm	AA (TR)

Worship Leaders

Preaching:	Rev. Harlan Redmond
Liturgist:	Sean Starke
Organist:	Marcello Velame
Ushers:	Sue Starke
	Jim Wright
Zoom Host:	John Palframan
	Jim Wright
Flowers	The Dingelstedt Family

Church Staff

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