

## MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

Cantor (*anonymous Spanish hymn*):  
*Somos uno en Cristo, somos uno, somos uno, uno solo.*

Congregation:  
**We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body, all one spirit, all together.**

## 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.

## SINGING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

"Healer of Our Every Ill"  
 Words by Marty Haugen (1987)

Refrain:  
 Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow,  
 give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,  
 give us all your vision, God of love. *Refrain*

Give us strength to love each other, ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;  
 Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. *Refrain*

You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing;  
 Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. *Refrain*

## BENEDICTION

As you have been forgiven, now go into a world that needs your forgiving, healing touch. Bring peace and hope to others, sharing God's love with them. **Amen.**

Thanks to this week's musical leaders: Nancy Chapman, Rob Courtois, Nick Stampfli, Stephanie Sugioka, Sam Stearns, Sarah Haigh, Lori Crouch, and Michael Haigh

## LIVING AS GLOBAL CHRISTIANS

### "BEING AMBASSADORS OF RECONCILIATION"

Second Presbyterian Church, June 13, 2021



WORSHIP AROUND THE WORLD ON HAMPTON BLVD

**Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.  
 The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.**

**All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;  
 2 Corinthians 5:17-18**



### We Gather In Christ

"Hear Our Praises"  
 By Reuben Morgan (1998)

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

How great is God's love for all who worship him?  
**Greater than the distance between heaven and earth!**  
 How far has the Lord taken our sins from us?  
**Farther than the distance from east and west!**

Whether we are old or young, whether we are first-time or longtime worshipers, whether we come full of doubts or confidence, joy, or sorrow, in this place we all are family, because of what Jesus did for us on the cross. Welcome

"Emphasize reconciliation, not resolution. It is unrealistic to expect everyone to agree about everything. Reconciliation focuses on the relationship, while resolution focuses on the problem. When we focus on reconciliation, the problem loses significance and often becomes irrelevant."

—Rick Warren

## \*SINGING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

"All Are Welcome"  
Marty Haugen (1994)

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:  
All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;  
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:  
All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:  
All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

## \*WELCOME

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*We Recognize our Need to Grow Closer to God*

## \*PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR CONFESSION

Cantor (South African worship song):  
*Woza nomthwalo wakho, (3x)*  
*Uyes'akasozathi hayi.*

Congregation:  
**We bring our burdens to God (3x)**  
For God will embrace us with love

## \*CONFESSING OUR SIN

Lord, we are distracted. We are slow to strengthen our hearts, and reluctant to let your love in us increase. We worry about things of this world, and make ourselves the focus. Sometimes we are at peace, if we have what we want, yet our sisters and brothers are in need. Forgive us Lord for the sins we name. Save us from the sins we hide and from the sins we don't notice.

## \*RECEIVING GRACE

In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are assured that there is no sin so terrible that God cannot forgive, no hurt so terrible that God cannot heal. God accepts, God forgives, and God sets free. **Thanks be to God.**

"Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen."

—Winston Churchill

## \*CELEBRATING GOD'S GRACE

Cantor:  
*Alleluia, alleluia (3x)*  
*Alleluia!*

Congregation:  
**Alleluia, alleluia (3x)**  
**Alleluia!**

*We Hear the Word*

## TIME OF DISCOVERY

## MUSICAL MEDITATION

"IV. Hallelujah Praise the Lord" from "Gospel Mass"  
By Robert Ray (1981)

*Hallelujah, praise the Lord. Let us praise the Lord.  
Praise him with stringed instruments.  
Praise him with dance.  
Praise him on the psaltry and harp.  
Everything that has breath ought to praise him.  
Hallelujah, praise the Lord. Let us praise the Lord.*

## STATEMENT OF FAITH THE CONFESSION OF 1967: A READING

The reconciling act of God in Jesus Christ exposes the evil in men as sin in the sight of God. In sin, men claim mastery of their own lives, turn against God and their fellow men, and become exploiters and despoilers of the world. They lose their humanity in futile striving and are left in rebellion, despair, and isolation.

Wise and virtuous men through the ages have sought the highest good in devotion to freedom, justice, peace, truth, and beauty. Yet all human virtue, when seen in the light of God's love in Jesus Christ, is found to be infected by self-interest and hostility. All men, good and bad alike, are in the wrong before God and helpless without his forgiveness. Thus, all men fall under God's judgment. No one is more subject to that judgment than the man who assumes that he is guiltless before God or morally superior to others.

## MESSAGE

"Being Ambassadors of Reconciliation"  
*Ephesians 2:13-20, 2 Corinthians 5:16-20*

—Dr. Craig Wansink

*We Respond in Humility*

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uno solo.*

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"The overall purpose of human communication is - or should be - reconciliation. It should ultimately serve to lower or remove the walls of misunderstanding which unduly separate us human beings, one from another."

—M. Scott Peck

"Although the church accomplishes many tasks, its only message to the world is the gospel of Christ.

Everything else we do is merely an extension of that primary goal. The gospel we offer the lost is superior to every worldly philosophy. Never outdated or in need of correction, it is always sufficient to meet humanity's greatest need: reconciliation with the Creator."

—Charles Stanley