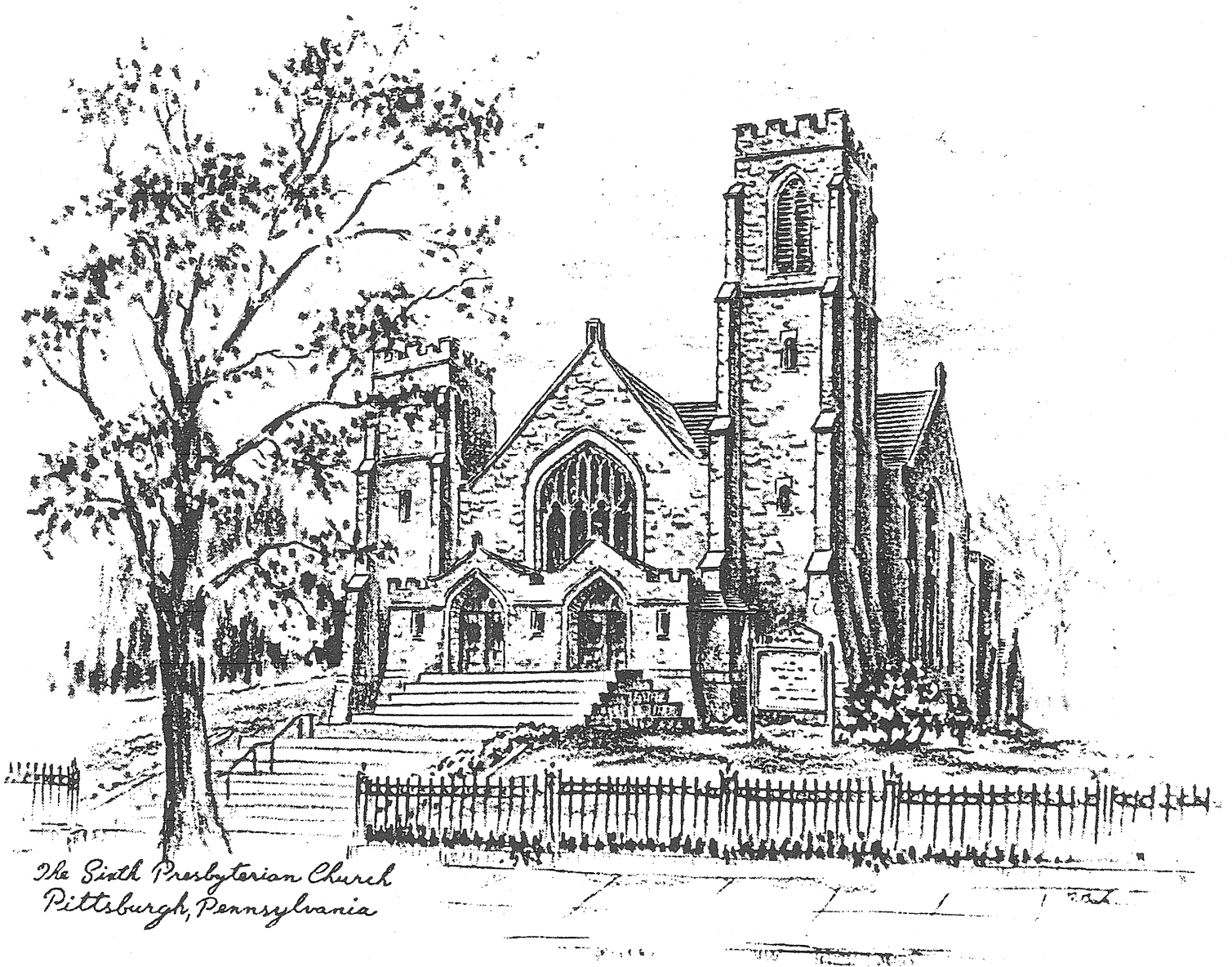


# Sixth Presbyterian Church

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
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**Sixth Presbyterian Church**  
Sunday, August 28, 2022, 10:00 am  
Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost

*The Sanctuary is a sacred space. The choral chimes will ring three times to let you know it is time to quiet your hearts, minds, and voices to prepare for worship.*

Prelude "Tranquilly" C. Hubert H. Parry

Welcome and Announcements

Peace Candle

\*Call to Worship # # ##### # # ##Hebrews 13:1-2,8

Leader: God calls us to service,

**All: Rather than honor.**

Leader: God calls us to love the unknown,

**All: Rather than the familiar.**

Leader: We come to this time of worship,

**All: Trusting in the grace of the Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.**

**LET US WORSHIP GOD!**

\*Hymn "Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus" 262

\*Prayer of the Day

Prayer of Confession

**All: Merciful God, forgive us for how we exalt ourselves and mock the humble. We choose to believe we are self-sufficient rather than trust You for our strength. Open us to Your Spirit, that we might serve all people without regard to the outcome, devoting ourselves to Your honor alone. We pray in Jesus' name.**

Silent Confession

Kyrie 575



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus 262

1 Since our great high priest, Christ Je - sus, bears the name a -  
 2 Since we have a priest who suf - fered, know - ing weak - ness,  
 3 Sac - ri - fice and suf - fering o - ver, now he sits at  
 4 Love's ex - am - ple, hope's at - trac - tion, faith's be - gin - ning

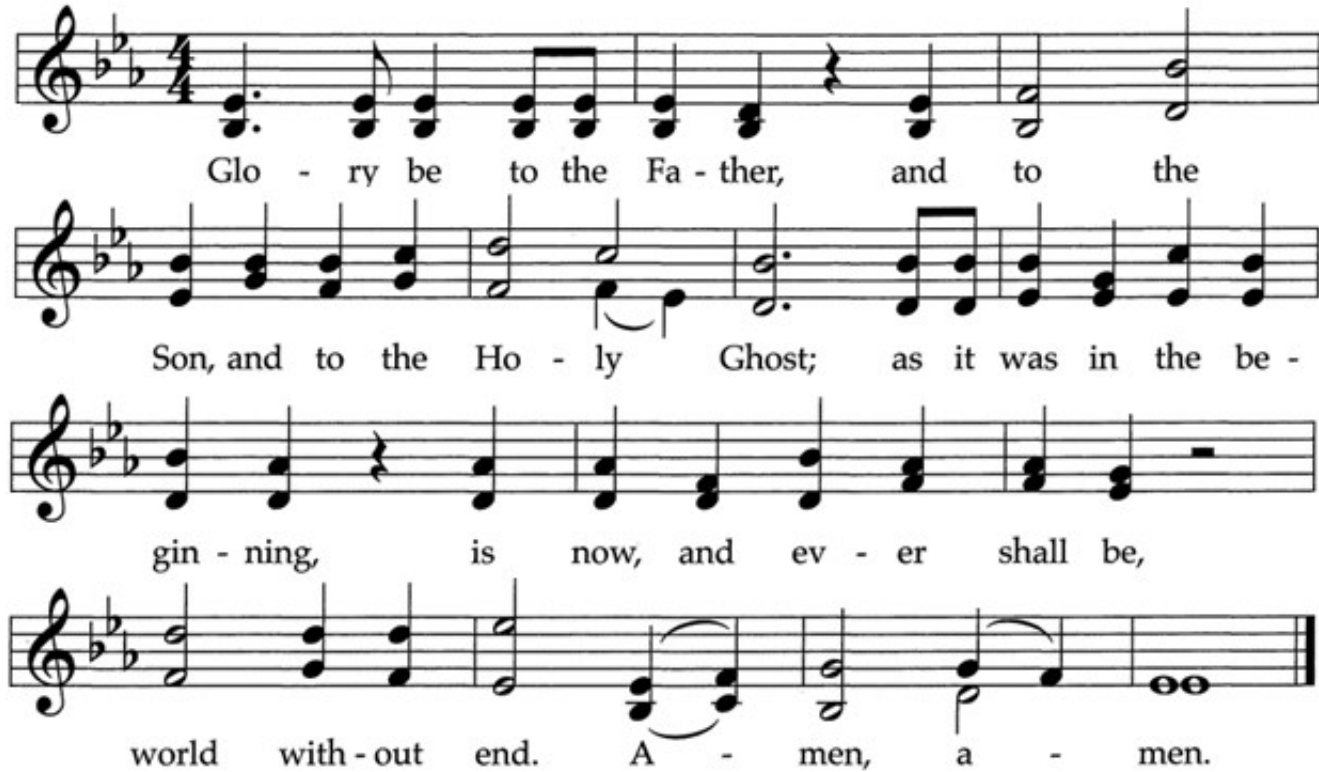
bove all names, reign - ing Son of God, sur - pass - ing  
 tears, and pain, who, like us, was tried and tempt - ed,  
 God's right hand, crowned with praise, no more an out - cast,  
 and its end, pi - o - neer of our sal - va - tion,

oth - er ti - tles, powers, and claims; since to heaven our  
 un - like us, with - out a stain; since he shared our  
 his pre - em - i - nence long planned; such a great high  
 might - y ad - vo - cate and friend: Je - sus, high in

Lord has passed, let us hold our wit - ness fast!  
 low - ly place, let us bold - ly seek his grace.  
 priest we have, strong to help, su - preme to save.  
 glo - ry raised, our as - cend - ed Lord, be praised!

Drawing on several passages in Hebrews (especially 4:14-16), this hymn celebrates the culmination of the Incarnation in Christ's exaltation, a source of encouragement to all who trust in this "pioneer of our salvation" (Hebrews 2:10, 12:2) who continues to intercede for us.

\*Gloria



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the  
Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -  
gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,  
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

Time for Children

Jenny Newman

\*Exchange of Peace

Leader: Being mindful of the comfort levels and boundaries of those around us, let us pass the peace of Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

All: God of Wisdom, open us to the work of Your Spirit, that we may hear and faithfully respond to Your holy Word. AMEN.

\*Gospel Reading

Luke 14:25-34 (pg. 94)

Sermon

"God's Dinner"

Rev. Vincent Kolb

\*Hymn

"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"

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\*Affirmation of Faith

Confession of 1967, 9:21-22

All: The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for all when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to people, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the

# 770 I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

1 I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble;  
 2 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus;  
 3 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers;  
 4 Here all the world will find a wel - come;  
 5 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey;

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 here all the world will find a wel-come, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 we're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble; I'm gon - na  
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus; I'm gon - na  
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers; I'm gon - na  
 Here all the world will find a wel - come; here all the  
 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey; we're gon - na

eat at the wel - come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 world will find a wel - come, Al - le - lu - ia.  
 feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

The image of a great feast showing God's welcome of all people was part of Jewish tradition (Isaiah 25:6-9) and underlies Jesus' parable of the Great Banquet (Luke 14:15-24). Such equality remains as unknown to many people today as it was to the slaves who created this spiritual.

**new life in Christ. The new life takes shape in a community in which we know that God loves and accepts us in spite of what we are. We therefore accept ourselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.**

Pastoral Prayer

**All: ...God of mercy, hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

2019 Vatican Update

**All: 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;  
do not let us fall into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power  
and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

"Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 691"

J.S. Bach

\*Doxology

607

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures high and low,  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known,  
Creator, Word and Spirit One. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: Let us give thanks, for God is good and God's Love is everlasting!

**All: Thanks be to God - whose love creates us!**

**Thanks be to God - whose mercy redeems us!**

**Thanks be to God - whose grace leads us into the future!**

\*Hymn

"O For a World"

372

\*Benediction

# O for a World

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The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano accompaniment is in the bass clef, also with a key signature of one sharp and a 3/4 time signature, providing a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines.

1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,  
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,  
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice  
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.  
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,  
where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.  
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.  
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.  
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.  
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet this is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical *shalom*.



Postlude

"Sortie"

César Franck

*\*Those who can may stand*

## Upcoming Meetings and Events in (and around) the Church

### Sunday, August 28

Worship (10 am, in-person and streaming)  
NA – Men's Meeting (8 pm)

### Monday, August 29

NA – Make a Change (7 pm)

### Saturday, September 3

IDG (10 am)  
AA – Turning Point (5 pm)  
NA – Squirrel Hill Group (7:30 pm)

### Sunday, September 4

Worship (10 am, in-person and streaming)  
NA – Men's Meeting (8 pm)

### Monday, September 5

NA – Make a Change (7 pm)

### Wednesday, September 7

Bible Study (10:30 am, Zoom)  
Sunday school teachers and staff training (6 pm)

### Thursday, September 8

Choir rehearsal (7:30 pm)

### Saturday, September 10

AA – Turning Point (5 pm)  
NA – Squirrel Hill Group (7:30 pm)

### Sunday, September 11

Adult Sunday School (10 am, Zoom)  
Sunday School (10 am, in-person)  
Worship (11 am, in-person and streaming)  
NA – Men's Meeting (8 pm)

## Church Information and Announcements

*We are an open and affirming community of faith in Jesus Christ. At home in an urban neighborhood of many faiths, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. In worship, study, and fellowship, we celebrate our Presbyterian roots and find joy in our diversity. We strive for the grace to love one another as we seek a deeper understanding of life in the Spirit, working for justice and serving as stewards of God's wondrous creation.*

**Sixth is a More Light Church:** A network of people seeking and affirming the full participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people of faith in the life, ministry and witness of the Presbyterian Church (USA).



**Inclusive Language:** Words matter. Jesus Christ, the living Word, reached out to all people to bring them into God's fold. The kingdom of God includes all people; therefore our language should reflect the inclusivity and equality among the people of God. To that end, when possible, we seek to eliminate the inherent bias of the English language toward the masculine gender without altering passages that reflect the historical situation of ancient patriarchal culture, out of which the Bible originated.

**Masks:** Masks are required in the building while Allegheny County is in a "medium" or "high" CDC community risk designation; N95 or similar masks are preferred while in "high." Masks are welcome and recommended while in "low."

**Assistive Hearing Devices:** Assistive Hearing Devices – compatible only with hearing aids equipped with a T-Coil – are available at the Murray Avenue entrance

**Large Print Bulletins:** If you would like a large print bulletin, please see an usher for a paper copy or, if you would like to use your personal device, for guidance on how to find a digital copy on our website.

**Prayer Cards:** If you would like to have a person named and prayed for during the pastoral prayer, please fill out one of the white cards by the bulletins/ushers and give it to Vincent prior to the service.

**Recording Notice:** This service is being livestreamed and is available online in perpetuity

**Seating:** While distancing is not required, we do encourage people to leave space as attendance allows and to be mindful of people's continued need for distance

**Church Nursery:** Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available during the worship service. Our childcare staff are required to be vaccinated and masked.

**Extended Session:** Extended Session for children in preschool through third grade is held upstairs during worship following the Time for Children. Masks are required for all participants and our teachers and staff are vaccinated.

**Water of Baptism:** Each Sunday we pour water into our baptismal font to reaffirm the covenant that God makes through this community of faith

**Candles for Peace, Justice and Personal Prayers:** You are welcome to come forward to light a candle anytime during worship when words are not being spoken. Please maintain physical distance while waiting your turn.

**Children and Candles:** We love having children participate in the service, and we ask that – in order to maintain everyone's safety – you accompany your child while lighting candles.

**Fellowship:** We are not providing coffee or other refreshments after worship at this time

**Today's Service:** Phyllis Rupert (liturgist); Kirk Howe (livestreaming); Pamela Twiss, Tom Twiss, Barb Parees (ushers)

**Next Week:** Ruling Elder Kate Davoli preaching

**Bible Study:** Pastor Vincent's weekly Bible study of the lectionary texts meets Wednesdays at 10:30 am over Zoom. Contact the office to be added to the email update list.

**Garfield Community Farm Work Day:** Join us for a tour and a couple hours of work on September 10th, from 10-12:30.

Garfield Community Farm provides fresh produce and educational opportunities with their neighbors and volunteers, and seeks to demonstrate God's restoration of creation through urban agriculture in the Garfield community.

For this first work day, we are focusing on families with children. If that is not you but your are interested, please let us know. If there's extra space we will have other folks join us. If you are interested, email Cosy at [cosyknitsliterally@gmail.com](mailto:cosyknitsliterally@gmail.com)

### **Session Members**

#### Class of 2023

Larry Chan  
Frank Davoli  
Beth Hazlett  
Pam Howe  
Mary Lang

#### Class of 2024

Joe Ashenden  
Lori King  
Tom Juring  
Greg Winner

#### Class of 2025

Peter Kaplan  
Barb Parees  
Marcus Robinson  
Peter Watt-Morse

### **Deacons**

#### Class of 2023

Kyle Esbin  
Lynn Kawaratani  
Eliot Kennedy  
Judy Schryer

#### Class of 2024

Martha Funderburgh  
Patty Halverson  
Gwen Harcar

#### Class of 2025

Linda Davoli  
Chuck Herrold  
Brenda Jordan

Vincent Kolb, *Pastor*

Jenny Newman, *Director of Children and Youth Ministry*

Douglas-Jayd Burn, *Director of Music*

Amy Whipple, *Office Manager*

Harry Kirk, *Building Administrator*