

If one part suffers, all the parts
suffer with it, and if one part is
honored, all the parts are glad.



I Corinthians 12:26

Cross Roads Presbyterian Church
Monroeville, Pa

October 24, 2021
Exodus 4.1-17; 1 Corinthians 12.12-26

NOTES

- Today's Flowers are given by the Board of Deacons in honor of our Pastor, The Rev. Lindsay White, to celebrate Pastor Appreciation month.
- Please join the Personnel team after worship today for a Pastor Appreciation Fellowship Hour honoring Pastor Lindsay.
- Join us Tuesday, October 26 in Fellowship Hall for the CRT Reconciliation session. More information about the sessions is included in today's bulletin.
- Today we welcome Dr. Leon Pamphile, the Executive Director of the Pittsburgh-based mission Functional Literacy Ministry of Haiti, and board member Rhonda Taliaferro. They will speak during worship and in today's Faith Works class following worship.

The Gathering of God's People

PRELUDE *Just a Closer Walk With Thee* Arr. Lloyd Larson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Dr. Leon Pamphile is the Executive Director of the Pittsburgh-based mission Functional Literacy Ministry of Haiti. Dr. Pamphile and board member Rhonda Taliaferro will speak further about their organization's work in the Faith Works class following worship.

EXPRESSION OF FRIENDSHIP

WESTMINSTER CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: I will bless the Lord at all times.

Many: God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.

One: O magnify the Lord with me!

Many: Let us exalt the name of the Lord together!

HYMN 375 *Lord of All Good*

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to You:
Use them Your holy purpose to fulfil;
Tokens of love and pledges brought anew
That our whole life is offered to Your will.

We give our minds to understand Your ways;
Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great design;
Heart with the flame of Your own love ablaze,
Till for Your glory all our powers combine.

Father, whose bounty all creation shows,
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live,
Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows,
To You with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

CALL TO CONFESSION

One: Come one, come all: sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, come one and all to the throne of grace. Jesus is ready; he stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Many: Forgive us, Lord. For grievance and injustice, aloofness and indifference, forgive us, Lord. For weakness and transgression, resistance and rebellion, forgive us, Lord. In your eternal mercy, in your sustaining grace, forgive us, Lord. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love. Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from Heaven above.

Many: Jesus Christ, how much we love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How we love you! Look upon us! Love us still and cleanse within.

GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

Fairest Lord Jesus

Arr. Page

Performed by the Handbell Choir

The Hearing of God's Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Lindsay White

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 4.1-17

Then Moses answered, "But suppose they do not believe me or

listen to me, but say, ‘The LORD did not appear to you.’” ² The LORD said to him, “What is that in your hand?” He said, “A staff.” ³ And he said, “Throw it on the ground.” So he threw the staff on the ground, and it became a snake; and Moses drew back from it. ⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, “Reach out your hand, and seize it by the tail”—so he reached out his hand and grasped it, and it became a staff in his hand— ⁵ “so that they may believe that the LORD, the God of their ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you.”

⁶ Again, the LORD said to him, “Put your hand inside your cloak.” He put his hand into his cloak; and when he took it out, his hand was leprous,^[a] as white as snow. ⁷ Then God said, “Put your hand back into your cloak”—so he put his hand back into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was restored like the rest of his body— ⁸ “If they will not believe you or heed the first sign, they may believe the second sign. ⁹ If they will not believe even these two signs or heed you, you shall take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground; and the water that you shall take from the Nile will become blood on the dry ground.”

¹⁰ But Moses said to the LORD, “O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.” ¹¹ Then the LORD said to him, “Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? ¹² Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak.” ¹³ But he said, “O my Lord, please send someone else.” ¹⁴ Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses and he said, “What of your brother Aaron the Levite? I know that he can speak fluently; even now he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you his heart will be glad. ¹⁵ You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth; and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. ¹⁶ He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall serve as God for

him. ¹⁷ Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs.”

SPECIAL MUSIC

Good Good Father

Brown and Barrett

Sung by the Women’s Choir

SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 12.12-26*

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴ Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²² On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴ whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵ that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

SERMON

Abundant Talents: Cross Roads Got Talent

Rev. Lindsay White

HYMN GTG 250

In the Bulb (v. 2) (Music attached)

CALLING ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN 391 *Take My Life (v. 1, 3, 5 and 6)*

Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord, to thee
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise
Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my king
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee
filled with messages from thee

Take my will and make it Thine it shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne

It shall be thy royal throne

Take my love, my Lord I pour at your feet its treasure store
Take myself and I will be ever, only all for thee
Ever, only all for thee

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Rise Up Oh Church of God* Arr. McKibben

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rev. Lindsay White, Pastor; Debbie Broker, Int. Director of Music/
Organist; Vera McBride, Liturgist; Dave Falvo, Technology Operator

In the Bulb There Is a Flower 250

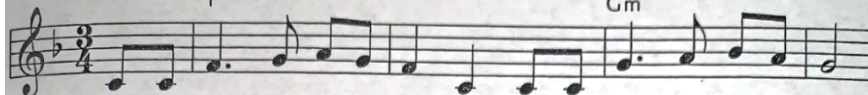
Hymn of Promise

Capo 3: (D)

(Em)

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Gm



1 In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
 2 There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
 3 In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;

(A7)

(D)

C7

F



in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise: but - ter - flies will soon be free!
 there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.
 in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.

(D7)

(G)

(Em)

(D)

(Bm)

(Em)

(F#)

(Bm)

F7

B^b

Gm

F

Dm

Gm

A

Dm



In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
 From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
 In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,

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(A7)

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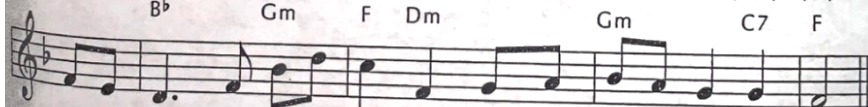
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un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

The writing of this hymn was spurred by a line from the poet T. S. Eliot: "In my end is my beginning."
 Shortly after this piece was completed, the author/composer's husband was diagnosed with what proved to be a terminal malignancy, and the original anthem version of this hymn was sung at his funeral.

THIS WEEK AT CROSS ROADS

Sunday, October 24

10 a.m. Worship on the Lawn
11 a.m. Children's Choir, Choir Room
11 a.m. Pastor Appreciation Fellowship
Hour, Fellowship Hall
11 a.m. Faith Works, Parlor

Monday, October 25

6 p.m. Youth Group, 208
7 p.m. Yoga, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 26

10 a.m. Sewing Grp., 1st Fl. Con. Rm.
7 p.m. CRT Reconciliation, FH

Wednesday, October 27

Noon AA, First Floor Conf. Rm
7 p.m. Session, FH
7 p.m. Social Justice Group

Thursday, October 28

6 p.m. Prayer Warriors, Zoom
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir, Choir Loft
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts, Room 208, 202
7 p.m. ACOA, Parlor
7 p.m. Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room

Friday, October 29

6 p.m. Girl Scouts, 208
7:30 p.m. Slovak Dance Group

Saturday, October 30

Sunday, October 31

10 a.m. Worship on the Lawn
11 a.m. Children's Choir, Choir Room