

KIRK IN THE HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 2, 2022



*Jesus didn't say, 'Blessed are those who care for the poor,'
He said, 'Blessed are we where we are poor, where we are broken.'
It is there that God loves us deeply and pulls us into deeper communion with himself.
- Henri Nouwen*

Kirk in the Hills 75th Anniversary Celebration

Only nine weeks remain until we celebrate the founding of our beloved Kirk and there are exciting things to do between now and then.

By now, you should have received your invitation package to the special celebration weekend of Scottish-themed dinners on Friday, November 18 and Saturday, November 19 in the Refectory. Both evenings will highlight our Scottish heritage with bagpipers, the Ruffwater String Band, Highland dancers and festive music and activities. **Saturday evening is now sold out but tickets still remain for Friday evening. They are going fast, so please get your reservations in ASAP.**

Our anniversary celebration will conclude on Sunday, November 20 with a special worship service that will include the Kirkin o' the Tartan ceremony and the Alma College Pipe Band. The Rev. Dr. Norman M. Pritchard, Pastor Emeritus, will be our guest preacher. Included in the service will be unique commissioned music pieces for the choir and for the carillon. After the worship service, everyone will be invited to a festive brunch in the Refectory.



As a commemorative of our anniversary, we have created a very beautiful book featuring the Art and Architecture of our magnificent gothic-style cathedral. In its 40 pages, you will find things you recognize and many you may never have noticed that make the Kirk so unique. Every family receives a FREE copy and you can pick it up during coffee hour in Heritage Hall after the first service or at the Welcome Center starting next week. Additional copies are available at a nominal price.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service

THE CARILLON

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Andante from Oboe Concerto in C Major

Haydn/attr. to Malzat

Merideth Estevez, Oboe

* *Please rise in body or spirit at the ringing of the tower bell.*

* INTROIT

I Come with Joy

American Folk Melody

*I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me.*

*I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.*

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Kelsey Sorge

The whole world is in God's hands.

Everything that lives and breathes.

From the farthest spaces, to the inmost places!

God is with us, Alleluia!

As people of Christ, gathered at table,

From the East, and from the West

From the North and from the South

with our sisters and brothers around the world,

On this World Communion Sunday,

to remember whose we are, we praise

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 327

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Lasst uns erfreuen

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Kelsey Sorge

To your table you bid us come.

**And there is always room,
you say, for one more.**

And so we come.

From the streets and from the alleys,

From the deserts and from the hills,

From the ravages of poverty

and from the palaces of privilege, we come.

Running, limping, carried, we come.

We are bloodied with our wars.

We are wearied with our wounds.

We carry our dead within us,

and we reckon with the ghosts of our past.

We hold the seeds of healing.

We dream of a new creation.

We know the things that make for peace,

and we struggle to give them wings.

And yet, to your table we come.

Hungering for the Bread of Life,

thirsting for the Cup of Salvation, we come.

Singing your song in every language,
speaking your name in every tongue,
**in conflict and in communion,
in discord and in desire,
we come, confessing our sins
Asking forgiveness and hoping for a place at your table.**

* **KYRIE ELEISON** (*Hymn 551, 11:00 a.m.*) *Land of Rest*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Rev. Kelsey Sorge

And the table will be wide.
And the welcome will be wide.
And the arms will open wide to gather us in.
And our hearts will open wide to receive.
And we will come as children who trust there is enough.
And we will come unhindered and free.
And our aching will be met with bread.
And our sorrow will be met with wine.
And we will open our hands to the feast without shame.
And we will turn toward each other without fear.
And we will give up our appetite for despair.
And we will taste and know of delight.
And we will become bread for a hungry world.
And we will become drink for those who thirst.
And the blessed will become the blessing.
And everywhere will be the feast.
Friends, believe the Good News!

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
In Jesus Christ we are made new!**

* **GLORIA PATRI** (*Hymn 581*) *Greatorax*

**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.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Edwin Estevez

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN (*9:00 a.m.*) Rev. Kelsey Sorge

Following the Word with the Children, children and youth ages 4 through grade 8 will be dismissed for Sunday School.

HYMN 328 **Praise God, All You Nations** *Da n'ase*

WORD

CHORAL CALL FOR ILLUMINATION (*11:00 a.m.*)

O Lord, Hear My Prayer *Jacques Berthier*
O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. Come and listen to me.

SCRIPTURE READING **Romans 1:8-12** (*NT, page 152*) Marilyn Borst
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON **Why We Need the Global Church and
Why the Global Church Needs US** Marilyn Borst

THANKSGIVING

* HYMN 529 **Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether** *Union Seminary*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings, whether made in the worship service or outside of it, are part of our worship of God and are used to support the Kirk's ministry.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Edwin Estevez

ANTHEM **Praise the Lord, All You Nations** *James Biery*
Praise the Lord, all you nations, extol God, all you peoples. For great is God's steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Hallelujah! (Psalm 117)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE Rev. Edwin Estevez

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Rev. Kelsey Sorge

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, lover of our souls and ruler of the universe. You formed us in your image, setting us in this world to love and to serve you and to live in peace with your whole creation. We rebelled against you. Yet out of your great love for us, you sent your only Son to be one of us, to redeem us, and heal our brokenness. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with the all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name.

SANCTUS (*Hymn 552*)

THE LORDS 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.**

Chanted in Aramaic by guest Cantor (9:00 a.m.), lector (11:00 a.m.)

THE COMMUNION

(Please come forward to one of the stations at the front of the church, as directed by an usher. If you are unable to come forward, please indicate this to an usher and the communion elements will be brought to you. Gluten-free bread is available in the center of the bread trays.)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Rev. Edwin Estevez and Rev. Kelsey Sorge

AGNUS DEI *(Hymn 555)*

BREAKING OF THE BREAD, SHARING OF THE CUP

As the bread is received, the response is "Amen." As the cup is shared, the response is "Thanks be to God."

COMMUNION MUSIC

Laudate Dominum

W.A. Mozart

*O praise the Lord, all you nations; praise him, all ye peoples.
For his loving kindness has been bestowed upon us,
and the truth of the Lord endures forever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
(Psalm 117)*

Rebecca Eaddy, soloist

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Edwin Estevez

Gracious God, we offer our thanks, for the whole communion of saint's witness to this feast, and for the ministry of churches around the world who gather with us today. By this broken bread and this shared cup may, may we each be restored for the Kingdom work yet to come. At this shared table may we be united as children of your promise, children of your word, sent boldly together into the world as servants of your peace, through Christ, Amen.

SENDING

*** RECESSIONAL HYMN 295**

Go to the World!

Sine Nomine

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION *(Seated)*

CHORAL AMEN

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Choral Song

S. S. Wesley

Worship/Music Notes

As we celebrate World Communion Sunday with Christians all over the world, the Chancel Choir sings two anthems based on Psalm 117: "Praise the Lord, all you nations! Extol him, all you peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever." (NRSV) The anthem during the offertory was composed for the choir of the First Presbyterian Church in Durham, North Carolina for World Communion Sunday, 2018, and is a triumphant setting of the Psalm text. The anthem during communion is a meditative setting of the same text, from Mozart's *Vesperae solennes de confessore*, K. 339, and will be sung in the original Latin. The opening voluntary from the Concerto for Oboe by Adam Ignaz Franz Joseph Malzat (1757–1804), was previously attributed to Franz Joseph Haydn (1732–1809).

The music department is looking for instrumentalists (youth and adults) to offer their gifts of music during worship. If you would like to play your instrument, please contact Merideth Estevez (mestevez@kirkinthehills.org). Pianists in the congregation who would be willing to help with the Youth Music are also needed. The Choir is looking for new members, especially tenors and altos.

Stephen Ministers are available for personal, confidential prayer in Melrose Chapel (to the left, when facing forward in the sanctuary) immediately following service each Sunday. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer please contact Nancy Lau at 248-835-6691.



The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God by Alex and Evelyn McKeen in loving memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John N. McKeen and Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. Feldkamp.

About today's cover art

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Information on today's Communion Liturgy

Adapted from the Book of Common Worship, PCUSA liturgy resources, and poetry by Jan Richardson.

About today's Preacher

Marilyn Borst is Associate Director for Partnership Development of The Outreach Foundation, a Presbyterian mission agency which just celebrated its 43rd anniversary. She works with churches around the United States to help them discern God's call to global engagement while connecting them to that work alongside the Global Church in Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, Asia and the Middle East ---a particular area of specialty for her. She travels extensively, nurturing relationships with church leaders, assessing ministry initiatives and leading short-term vision teams especially to Cuba, Lebanon, Iraq, Egypt, Syria and Israel/Palestine. Her heart for the Church in difficult places has also brought her to Iran, Pakistan and North Korea. She has led over 100 mission trips. Prior to joining The Outreach Foundation staff, Marilyn served for over 6 years as Director of Global Ministry at Peachtree Presbyterian Church in Atlanta where she oversaw the international partnerships of this 8,000-member congregation in over 33 countries. Marilyn holds a B.A. in Classical Studies from Calvin College (Grand Rapids, MI), an M.A. in Art History from Michigan State University, and an M.A. in Theology from St. Thomas University (Houston). She has participated in four archeological digs in Jordan and Egypt and taught as adjunct faculty at the University of Houston for 20 years. She is ordained as an elder and has been married to Mark Borst for 43 years. The Borsts reside in Savannah, GA, where they are endlessly entertained by the antics of their precocious cat, Cleopatra.

Musicians: Marilyn Biery, *organist and conductor*

David Enos, *guest organist*

Merideth Estevez, *oboe*



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