

The Holy Way Presbyterian Church



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***September 15, 2024 9:30am
Pastor Diane Christopher***

Prelude: Dr. Astrid Chan

Kingdom Seekers
(Sunday School for Ages 4-12) Miss Kathy

Welcome to Worship: Pastor Diane
Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: Worship Leader Bill Boals

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

**People: For God's anger is but for a moment; God's favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

Leader: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to us! O Lord, be our helper!

**People: You have turned our mourning into dancing; you have clothed us
with joy, so that our souls may praise you and not be silent. O Lord,
our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

Hymn: *Open My Eyes, That I May See* (Hymn #451) Bill Boals

Announce Birthdays and Anniversaries Ray Weathers
Sing Happy Birthday/Anniversary

If you would like to participate in our tradition of celebrating your birthday or anniversary by giving money towards the church improvements, music department, or children's ministry, please waive your hand, or stand up and your donation will be received in the basket!

Celebrations, Joys and Concerns Pastor Diane
The People of the Congregation Share Joys and Concerns
(Someone will bring the microphone to you)

...The Lord's Prayer

People: 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

Anthem: *He Touched Me*

Tithes and Offering: Prayer

Rick Dees

(Ushers, will receive the offering after the prayer)

As we prepare to give our tithes and offerings, let us pray:

Gracious God, as an act of faith, we give to You out of our gifts and resources. Use these gifts to help us see people with Jesus' eyes and to be moved with compassion. May these gifts touch those in need so they may experience your love as we experience it in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

People: Amen

Offertory Music:

Dr. Astrid Chan

Doxology: *(Hymn #606)*

Congregation

*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.*

Receive Tithes and Offerings:

Pastor Diane

Scripture Reading:

Rick Dees

Mark 1:40-45

40 A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean."**41** Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" **42** Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed.

43 Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: **44** "See that you don't tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them." **45** Instead he went out and

began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Message: "He Touched Me" Pastor Diane

Sending Hymn: *You Shall Go Out With Joy* (Hymn #80) Bill Boals

Benediction: Romans 15:13 Pastor Diane

Song: *Let There Be Peace on Earth* Congregation

Postlude: Dr. Astrid Chan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Today, September 15th,** Please join us for Coffee & Refreshments in the Sanctuary after worship.

***Today, September 15th,** the Mission/Outreach Committee will meet in the Conference Room after worship.

***Monday, September 16th,** the Finance Committee will meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

***Thursday, September 19th,** the Worship Service Committee will meet at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

***Next Sunday, September 22nd,** the Buildings & Grounds Committee will meet after worship in the Conference Room.

***Join us Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.** for Bible study in the Conference Room. There are often goodies to share!

***Love to Sing? Join the Choir!** Choir Rehearsals are Thursdays 10:45 am -11:45 am.

-Pick up a **Newsletter** in the Lobby for a complete schedule of the life and events at The Holy Way-

Open My Eyes, That I May See 451

1 O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps - es of truth thou hast for me.
 2 O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic - es of truth thou send - est clear.
 3 O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth ev - ery - where.

Place in my hands the won - der - ful key that shall un - clasp and
 And while the wave notes fall on my ear, ev - ery - thing false will
 O - pen my heart, and let me pre - pare love with thy chil - dren

set me free. Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy
 dis - ap - pear. Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy
 thus to share. Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy

will to see. O - pen my eyes; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
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The first woman to publish a collection of her own anthems, this author/composer has created in this hymn a sung prayer for illumination. It not only asks God to help us understand Scripture but also prays for the strength and courage to make God's love known to others.

You Shall Go Out with Joy 80

The Trees of the Field

Em B7 Em B7 Em

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

G C G D

the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be -

B N.C. Em B7 Em

fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the

B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em

trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

D7 N.C. G C G D

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;

D7 G D7 G

the trees of the field will clap their hands;

C G D

the trees of the field will clap their hands

B7 Em B7 Em

while you go out with joy.

*Clap hands.

This text paraphrases Isaiah 55:12, which is generally understood to describe a "second exodus," this time from Babylon rather than from Egypt. This release of God's people and their return to their own land gives rise to a joyful celebration involving all creation.

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our father

Christians all are we

Let us walk with each other

In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment

And live each moment

In peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me



Our Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world.

Thank you for your participation in the Peace & Global Witness Offering.

**IF WE ALL
DO A LITTLE,
IT ADDS UP
TO A LOT!**



The Peace & Global Witness Offering is one of four annual special offerings. The church-wide Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) play an important role in defining what it means to be a congregational church in the twenty-first century, bringing together the diversity of the PC (USA) to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. The Offerings offer opportunities for partnership, learning, and witness and profoundly affect the life of the church as a collective witness to Jesus Christ's love for the whole church.



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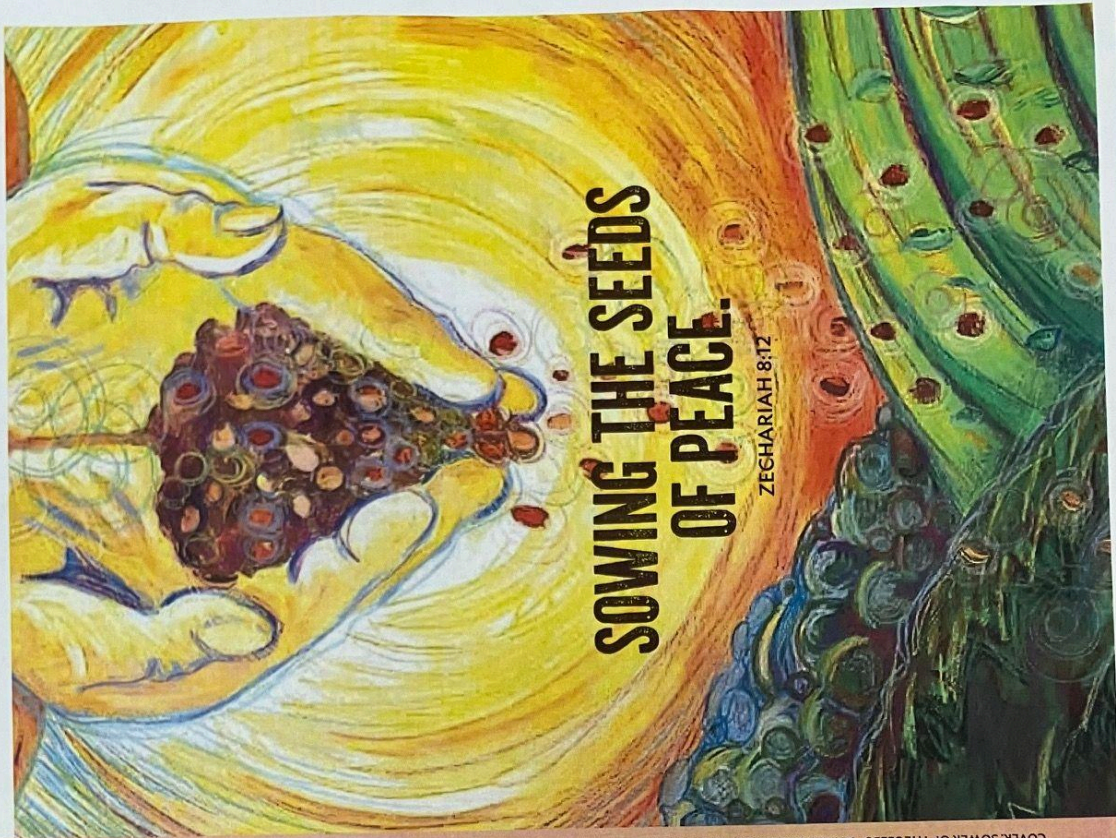
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We are the peacemakers, sowing seeds of peace in every interaction and decision we make.

Thanks to your gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering:

The newly launched Central America Migration Mission Network addresses the roots of violence, and sows seeds of peace in people's hearts and minds, in public policy and in local communities.



The cost of doing laundry, on top of other basic necessities, was driving Linda's family and other families deeper into poverty. And so began the Presbyterian Church of Waynesboro, PA's, "Fresh Start: Loads of Love" program, funded in part by a grant received from the Presbytery of Carlisle's portion of the Peace & Global Witness Offering.



Motivated by a commitment to the healing and repair of Indigenous nations and communities, participants in a travel study seminar learned about Native American experiences; and the implications of the Doctrine of Discovery, which gave Christian European governments the religious and legal justification to claim lands occupied by Indigenous peoples.

Visit pcusa.org/peace-global/resources for more information.



Our gifts to the Peace & Global Witness Offering are helping our neighbors in need — those who live next door, down the street, and across the globe.

25%

of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community.

25%

of this Offering goes to our mid-council to join with other congregations to support peacemaking work in our region.

50%

of this Offering supports the work being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

Our neighbors need us. Please give what you can to the Peace & Global Witness Offering.

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Thank you!