



First Presbyterian
Church of York

Worship for the Lord's Day
Creation Sunday
April 21, 2024
8:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

“Morning Meditation”

Scott

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT** (Hymn No. 1 vs. 1)

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Rev. 4:8-11

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalm 8*)

Leader: O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

All: Let us worship God!

*Please stand if able.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, who created the heavens and the earth and everything around us, we confess that we have fallen short of your call to care for the world. Help us to see the work of your fingers in the world around us.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our God is a God of second chances. Whoever you are, whatever you’ve done, you are forgiven. You are loved.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

THE PASSING OF PEACE

Leader: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(The congregation is invited to greet one another with words and signs of peace.)

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn No. 581)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS: Psalm 8; Genesis 2:4b-7, 19-20a

¹ O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; ⁴ what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. ⁶ You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, ⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. ⁹ O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

^{4a} In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, ⁵ when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no vegetation of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground, ⁶ but a stream would rise from the earth and water the whole face of the ground—⁷ then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. ¹⁹ So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all cattle and to the birds of the air and to every animal of the field

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Creation”

Rev. Katie Rosenson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Stewardship remains a part of what we do about what we believe. Please mail your offering by check to the church, or send it electronically via the "Give Now" button at the top of our homepage. If you are attending services in person, you can place your offering in the red boxes or in the plate, as the ushers come down the center aisles.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn No. 37)

*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God our Creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
By guiding us on to the end of our days.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing
With glad adoration, a song let us raise;
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving,
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION

CONCLUDING PRAYER

***HYMN No. 761**

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

BEECHER

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Peace Pearl: We are called by God to plant the seeds of Peace in our broken world.

Next Sunday, **April 28, 2024** 5th Sunday of Easter
8:30 a.m...Service for the Lord’s Day with Communion
9:40 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Education
11:00 a.m..... Outdoor Service & Neighborhood BBQ

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