

## PROSPECT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### Order for Worship

February 24, 2019

#### Prelude

#### Greeting

God is good.  
**All the time.**  
And all the time.  
**God is good.**

#### Call To Worship

Listen to the stories of God,  
**passed down by the faithful from age to age.**  
Listen to the Son of God,  
**teaching us how to live, love, and serve.**  
Listen to the voice of God,  
**proclaiming the broken world “beloved.”**  
Listen and worship, People of God,  
**for God is here among us!**  
Let us worship God.

#### \*Hymn #386 Come, Worship God

**1. Come, worship God, who is worthy of honor;  
enter God’s presence with thanks and a song!  
You are the rock of your people’s salvation  
to whom our jubilant praises belong.**

**2. Ruled by your might are the heights of the mountains;  
held in your hands are the depths of the earth.  
Yours is the sea, yours the land, for you made them,  
God above all gods, who gave us our birth.**

**3. We are your people, the sheep of your pasture;  
you are our Maker, and to you we pray.  
Gladly we kneel in obedience before you;  
great is the one whom we worship this day!**

**4. Now let us listen, for you speak among us;  
open our hearts to receive what you say.  
Peace be to all who remember your goodness,  
trust in your word, and rejoice in your way!**

**\*Call to Confession****\*Confession of Sin**

**Holy God, forgive us when we fail to live in the light of your good news:  
when we choose politeness instead of kindness, fear instead of love,  
and routine instead of revelation. Help us to hear your Spirit calling us to new life,  
and move us feel your presence wrapping us in love. Amen.**

**\*Words of Grace**

...In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
(A sign of peace is exchanged.)

**\*Response: Peace be with you**

**Ji-jo-ho ni tin.  
Ji-jo-ho ni tin,  
po-ome-po-po, a-men,  
po-ome-po-po, a-men.**

**Peace be with you.  
Peace be with you,  
and with all of us, amen  
and with all of us, amen.**

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD****Prayer for Illumination**

**First reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

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The word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God**

**Children's Chat**

Rita Boyer, Certified Christian Educator

**Second reading: Luke 6:27-38**

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**Sermon**

*"The Next Step"*

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### \*Hymn #795 Healer of Our Every Ill

Refrain:

**Healer of our every ill,  
light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear,  
and hope beyond our sorrow.**

**1. You who know our fears and sadness,  
grace us with your peace and gladness;  
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.**  
(refrain)

**2. In the pain and joy beholding  
how your grace is still unfolding,  
give us all your vision, God of love.**  
(refrain)

**3. Give us strength to love each other,  
every sister, every brother;  
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide.**  
(refrain)

**4. You who know each thought and feeling,  
teach us all your way of healing;  
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart.**  
(refrain)

### \*Affirmation of Faith- Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Prayers of the People

#### Offering

Musical Offering

*In the Midst of New Dimensions*  
Chanel Choir

arr. Jeremy J. Bunkson

**5. Should the threats of dire predictions  
cause us to withdraw in pain,  
may your blazing phoenix spirit  
resurrect the church again.**

**God of rainbow, fiery pillar,  
leading where the eagles soar,  
we your people, ours the journey  
now and ever, now and ever,  
now and evermore.**

**\*Praise God (Hymn #608)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 praise Christ, all people here below;  
 praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
 praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME**

**Sending the Church into Mission**

The Mission of Prospect Church

**To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.**

**\*Hymn #295 Go To the World**

**1. Go to the world! Go into all the earth.  
 Go preach the cross  
 where Christ renews life's worth,  
 baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.  
 Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**2. Go to the world! Go into every place.  
 Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.  
 Go seek God's presence  
 in each time and space.  
 Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**3. Go to the world!  
 Go struggle, bless, and pray;  
 the nights of tears give way to joyous day.  
 As servant church,  
 you follow Christ's own way.  
 Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
 for I am with you till the age shall end,  
 when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"  
 Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*Benediction and Congregational Response - Hymn #399 God Welcomes All**

**God welcomes all,  
 strangers and friends;  
 God's love is strong  
 and it never ends.**

**Postlude**