

ORDER OF WORSHIP

LEASIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 25, 2021 - 10:30 a.m.
9th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Melody In D - E. A. Dicks*
WELCOME
A TIME OF CENTERING & STILLNESS
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN *O Breath of life, come sweeping through us No. 384*
OPENING PRAYER
PRAYER OF CONFESSION
ASSURANCE OF PARDON
CHORUS *The River Is Here*
PEACE OF CHRIST

WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Va pensiero" from Nabucco - G. Verdi*
SCRIPTURE *2 Samuel 11:1-15*
SCRIPTURE *Ephesians 3:14-21*
HYMN *Brother, sister, let me serve you No. 635*
SCRIPTURE *John 6:1-21*
SERMON *Love covers everything*

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERINGS *Jesus, I Am Resting - Arr. by Don Wyrzten*
PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

HYMN *To God be the glory No. 350*
SENDING
BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE *Rise Up Shepherd and Follow*
- Trad. Spiritual, Arr. by J. Schrader

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The foolish say, "There is no God!
We are alone, on our own."

All: We gather to declare the glory of God in our lives.

One: The foolish say, "It is your life;
you are accountable to no one."

All: We gather, strengthened by the Spirit, trusting that Christ dwells in our hearts.

One: The foolish say, "Everything I have is mine;
I owe nothing to anyone."

**All: We gather to praise the One
who calls us to serve others in love.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Wisdom's Heart: deep within, we know how we have failed to be your people. Our hardened hearts are closed to the love of Christ; our lust for more and more blocks the fullness of your grace from transforming our lives; our trust in the powers of the world reveals our foolish nature. Have mercy, God of every generation. Pour out the rich blessing of forgiveness on our parched souls. Feed us with Heaven's Bread, so we might be nourished by your gentleness. Shape us as your people, and restore us to faithful living, as we seek to follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in service to everyone we meet.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: The wideness of God's mercy, the range of God's forgiveness, the infinite love of God, the Heart of hope which is never empty: all these gifts are ours, as God restores us to the fullness of life meant for us.

All: Grounded in love, rooted in discipleship, we offer ourselves in service to others, recognizing the limitless grace which is ours to share in Christ. Thanks be to God. Amen.

CHORUS The River Is Here

Verse 1

Down the mountain
The river flows
And it brings refreshing
Wherever it goes
Through the valleys
And over the fields
The river is rushing
And the river is here

Chorus

*The river of God
Sets our feet to dancing
The river of God
Fills our hearts with cheer
The river of God
Fills our mouths with laughter
And we rejoice
For the river is here*

Verse 2

The river of God
Is teeming with life
And all who touch it

Can be revived
And all who linger
On this river's shore
Will come back thirsting
For more of the Lord

Chorus

Verse 3

Up to the mountain
We love to go
To find the presence
Of the Lord
Along the banks
Of the river we run
We dance with laughter
Giving praise to the Son

Chorus

Repeat Verse 1

Chorus

Yes, we rejoice for the river is
here

SHARING OF THE PEACE

One: Let us pass the peace of Christ to one another. The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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, the power, and the glory;
for ever and ever. AMEN**

SENDING

One: Let us go now, foolish enough to believe in God.

All: We will see God in everyone we meet.

One: Let us go now, foolish enough to follow Jesus.

All: We will share grace with those who need it the most.

One: Let us go now, foolish enough to be filled
with the Holy Spirit.

**All: We will serve with the Spirit in calming the fears of the
world.**