

Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church PC(USA)



July 20, 2025 ~ 9:30AM

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6th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30AM

PRELUDE

For the Beauty of the Earth

Harp – Lauren Mariah

V. Schermer

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY

Pastor J. C. Austin

PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

In the Garden

Harp – Lauren Mariah

V. Schermer

CALL TO WORSHIP

David Thompson

Leader: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God in the heights!

People: Praise the Lord, all you angels; praise God from the highest heavens!

Leader: Praise the Lord from the earth; praise God beneath the waters!

People: Let all God's creatures praise the Lord!

***PRAISE SONG**

Come Now is the Time to Worship

Jim Robertson – Guitar, David Nelson – Bass,
Ed Lambert – Percussion

B. Doerksen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds

Holy God, throughout Scripture you call us to serve those who are most in need in our world: those who are poor, those who are marginalized, those who are persecuted. Yet so often we close our ears to the cries of those who are suffering poverty and oppression, or convince ourselves there is nothing we can do. Forgive our complacency and complicity, Lord; strengthen our hearts and our hands to love all our neighbors as ourselves, that we may embody Christ's saving love in the world.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Harp – Lauren Mariah

S. Woods

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI HYMN 581**

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, Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Oliver Page, Director of Youth

ANTHEM

Amazing Grace

Harp – Lauren Mariah

R. Pool

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

David Thompson

SCRIPTURE READING

Amos 8:1-12

***HYMN 625**

O Lord My God
(How Great Thou Art)
Verses – 1, 2, 4

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (The Apostles' Creed)

Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds

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; 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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND OFFERING

David Thompson

A portion of today's offering supports our Mission ministry in the area of combatting homelessness and hunger. This includes our donations to the Arundel House of Hope, our engagement with the Winter Relief shelter initiative, and our providing free meals through the Harundale Presbyterian Church lunch program.

To give: text **Woods** to 73256 or go to **"Give"** on **woodschurch.org** or use the **QR-Code** on the back of the bulletin.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Cantad al Señor
(Oh, Sing to The Lord)
Solo – Marty Clayton; Family Summer Choir
Jim Robertson – Guitar, David Nelson – Bass,
Ed Lambert – Percussion

A. Lovelace

***DOXOLOGY HYMN 607**

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

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Nancy Lincoln Reynolds

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN 69**

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky
(Here I Am Lord)
Verses – 1, 3

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Pastor J.C. Austin

***POSTLUDE**

Hyfrydol
Harp – Lauren Mariah

R. Pool

*Please stand if you are able

Woods Church services are live streamed and available for public viewing via YouTube on our website (www.woodschurch.org). Current church activities and events are also available for viewing. Check us out!

A Stephen Minister will be available, to the side of the chancel by the Stephen Minister banner, at the end of the service to listen and to pray with you. 9:30AM Betsy Stewart

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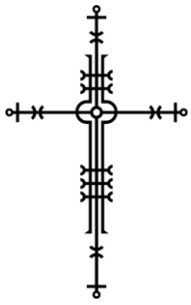
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Welcome to Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church PC(USA)

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Our Vision: To be a voice of faith transforming lives and society through Jesus Christ

Our Mission: Welcoming all to grow and serve in Christ

The flowers today were arranged by Sally Sachse and are given for the glory of God.

We are glad you are worshiping with us today.
Join us for bagels, coffee, and fellowship after the service in Fellowship Hall.

Christian Education/Sunday School Classes

Children's Sunday School Registration Forms are Located on the Welcome Desk

Time	Location
8AM Men's Bible Study Women's Bible Study	Room 208/Virtual Conference/Virtual
9:30AM Nursery 0-2-year-olds All Ages	Room 110 Room 155

Upcoming Events & Church News

Today Pastor JC will teach the third and final class of his series, **"The Reformation and the Republic"** at **11AM**. Please join us in **Meeting in Room 208** or on Zoom Meeting ID: 885 2467 6178 | Passcode 443435.

Coed Softball! Today's softball game has been cancelled.

Please see the "waterfall" of thanks and blessings behind the communion table! The children of VBS have learned about Micah 6:8 at work through Woods Church. The hearts represent joy, gratitude, and fellowship from our week together.

Adult Family Summer Choir- Are you around over the summer and interested in singing, then come on by and sing with us! The Adult Family Summer Choir sings on: August 17 and August 31. We will meet at 8:45AM in the Sanctuary Choir Loft and learn the piece that morning. Not to worry all the tunes are recognizable, and a quick learn! If you have any questions, please email David, dmerill@woodschurch.org. Looking forward to hearing you sing!

Children's Sunday School is STRETCHING into summer. Each week there will be a unique way of telling/hearing/retelling the Bible story. This week, Ms. Suzanne and Mr. Chris will lead the children using storytelling and a craft. Our group of all ages, past the nursery, will meet in Room 155. They will return so the whole congregation can celebrate communion.

"Question Everything", a summer bible study for youth, will begin after church **today in Room 212 from 10:30-11:30AM**, and meets every Sunday through August 24. The world is full of BIG problems, BIG mysteries and EVEN BIGGER questions! In this class, I want to hear what big questions you all wonder

about, and then we'll spend the next 6 weeks diving deep into those questions, exploring- *How do we feel about this question? What does the bible say about it? Does this question even have an answer? And perhaps most importantly, how do we live our lives with this question in mind, while following Jesus?* There is no sign-up for this class, just show up when you can and bring an inquisitive mind!

New Art Exhibit in the Gallery - Please visit the new art display in the Gallery. This month's art exhibit is entitled "*My Mosaic Journey*" by artist Terri Allen-Jackson. This exhibit showcases Terri's mosaic journey and features several of her collections. Meet the artist on **July 24, from 4:30-6:30PM in the gallery** to discuss the artwork with her.

Cecilia McKay Fund - Woods - The Good Samaritan - There are many budgeted Mission efforts at Woods...but a daily need is to help those facing eviction or electric cut off through the Cecilia McKay Fund. It relies on direct donations (online or by check with Cecilia McKay in Memo). We all know how electric bills have gone up...but what if you were living on the edge financially. In April, May and June we have helped 45 families overcome financial issues (37 for BGE); 125 requested assistance; we cannot help everyone (ask Dick Moore for the criteria). In those three months Cecilia McKay has disbursed over \$9,000 total! Without your help we will have to say no to even more folks in need. Please consider earmarking \$50 or \$100 to Cecilia McKay Fund for families in need. Thank you

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the volunteers and church ministry groups who truly stepped up to make VBS 2025 a resounding success! VBS is not just an event for Woods but a celebration shared with the surrounding community. We couldn't have achieved everything without the unwavering support from each phenomenal volunteer in our Children's Ministry, from Woods, and the surrounding community.

We thoroughly enjoyed spending the week teaching the children to walk humbly, practice love and kindness, and stand up for justice for themselves and others. We're already looking forward to VBS 2026 and welcoming all our volunteers and families back next year for another amazing week of fun and learning.

Sign-ups for our 2025-2026 Confirmation class are open! Our 8th grade confirmation class meets every Sunday from 2-3PM, starting September 14 and going through May. This class is designed for **8th Graders** to explore their relationship with God, recommit themselves to their walk with Christ, and take the step to join the church. In this class, you'll learn more about your faith, what it means to be the Church, and how to share your faith with others! Sign up on our website!

Woods is also offering a **NEW High School Confirmation Crash-Course** for any High School students interested in being confirmed and joining the church, but might be a bit old for our normal 8th grade class. This is also a great option for students who have been confirmed before, but are interested in taking a refresher class with Woods. This class will meet on **Sunday afternoons from 3:30-4:30PM, starting on September 14 and will only last one semester.** Sign up on our website!