

**Peacham Congregational Church**  
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Mother of Earth



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*We are an Open and Affirming Church*

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here.*

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## Order of Worship

November 9, 2025

Lay Leader: Bruce Maclean – Message: Guest Speaker, David Bullock

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude - "Wachet Auf" -- P. Nicolai, 1599

### RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.

**P: The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.**

L: Yet God is with us.

**P: All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.**

L: God brings to us hope and peace. We place our trust in God's abundant love.

**ALL: Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing words of hope. AMEN.**

*Nancy C. Townley, "Call to Worship 4," Worship Connection: November 6, 2022, Ministry Matters, <https://www.ministrymatters.com/worship/entry/4369/worship-connection-november-10-2019>.*

### Opening Hymn: #S-16 "Make me a Channel of Your Peace

(In front section of hymnal)

### Opening Prayer

*Hans Holznagel, "Worship Elements: November 20, 2022," Ministry Matters, <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4410/worship-elements-november-20-2022>.*

### Choral Anthem

### Joys & Concerns

### Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

### Response

**Hear our prayer O God. Hear our prayer O god.**

**Incline Your ear to us and grant us Your peace.**

### Offering & Mission (CWS)

### Doxology #46 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God for all that love has done;**

**Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

### RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

L: Restoring God, Maker of new heavens and a new earth, where sorrow is lifted, and joy takes root, as we bring our gifts this day, may they be seeds of

your promised future—an offering of hope, justice, and mercy in a weary world.

**P: Use what we give and who we are to proclaim a kin-dom where none are forgotten, where the wolf and lamb lie down in peace, and where the sound of weeping is no more. In Christ's name, who is our joy. Amen.**

*(Isaiah 65:17-25)*

### **Hymn "237 – "How Firm a Foundation"**

Scripture Readings – Job 19:23-27a, Gospel: Luke 20: 27-38

Message – "Trust In The Lord" - David Bullock

### **Closing Hymn #469 – "A Might Fortress Is Our God" Vs. 1, 3 &4**

#### **RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION**

*(Inspired by Isaiah 65, Luke 21)*

Go forth into a world that needs new visions.

Bring the message of hope and love,  
of justice and peace, to all you meet.

**Alive with hope, we dream of peace.**

Celebrate endings and new beginnings,  
challenges and promises.

**We live in the New Creation. May it be so. Amen.**

*Adapted from Joanne Carlson Brown, "Worship Elements: November 13, 2022," Ministry Matters, <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4387/worship-elements-november-17-2019>.*

### **Response #345– God Be with You Til We Meet Again, vs. 1**

Postlude – "Variations on 'Duke Street'"

## Announcements

### November 9, 2025

Our 4th quarter mission is Church World Service. If you would like to donate to CWS please indicate on your check in the memo line "CWS".

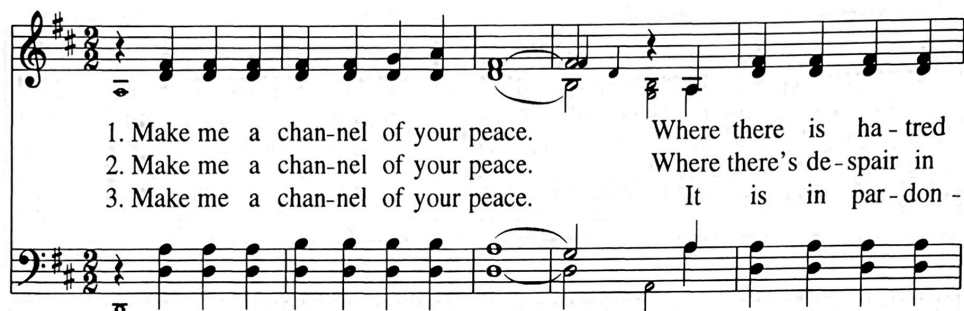
Please don't forget to return your annual pledge envelope. The Business Committee is counting on early returns so they can begin preparing for the 2026 Budget.

11/9/25	David Bullock, Message, Bruce Maclean, Worship Leader Coffee Hour: Melissa Hough
11/16/25	Nicole Klosterman Coffee Hour: Dart Thalman
11/23/25	John Morris – Dietrich Bonhoeffer Coffee Hour: Lynne Lawson
11/30/25	Nicole Klosterman – 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Coffee Hour: No one has signed up yet
12/4/25	6:00 pm - Memory Tree Lighting and soup/sandwich meal
12/7/25	John Morris, Message Coffee Hour: Nancy & Brad Toney 3:00 p.m. North Country Chorus – Handel's Messiah Sing

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# S 16      Make Me a Channel of Your Peace



1. Make me a chan-nel of your peace.      Where there is ha-tred  
2. Make me a chan-nel of your peace.      Where there's de-spair in  
3. Make me a chan-nel of your peace.      It is in par-don -



let me bring your love.      (love.)      Where there is in - ju -  
life let me bring hope.      (hope.)      Where there is dark-ness,  
ing that we are par-doned.      (par-doned.) in giv-ing of our -



ry, your par-don, Lord,      and where there's doubt, true  
on - ly light,      and where there's sad-ness,  
selves that we re-ceive,      and in dy-ing that we're



1., 2.      to Refrain      3.  
faith in you.      O  
ev - er joy.      O  
born to e-ter-nal life.

WORDS and MUSIC: Sebastian Temple, 1928-1998; arr. Jane Holstein, b. 1958  
Dedicated to Mrs. Frances Tracy.

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# How Firm a Foundation

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1. How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3. When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,  
 4. "When through fier - y tri - als your path - way shall lie,  
 5. "The souls that on Je - sus have leaned for re - pose

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent word!  
 for I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
 the riv - ers of woe ov - er you shall not flow;  
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply:  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to their foes;

What more can God say than to you has been said,  
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
 for I will be near you, your trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign  
 those souls, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.  
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake!"

WORDS: "K" in Rippon's *Selection of Hymns from the Best Authors*, 1787, alt.  
 MUSIC: Early American melody from Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832

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This hymn, of anonymous English authorship, found its greatest success in America where it was sung to the tune FOUNDATION, particularly in southern Methodist and Baptist churches.

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# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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1. A might-y for-tress is our God, a bul-wark nev-er fail-ing;  
 2. Did we in our own strength con-fide, our striv-ing would be los-ing,  
 3. And though this world, with dev-ils filled, should threat-en to un-do us,  
 4. That word a-bove all earth-ly powers, no thanks to them, a-bid-eth;

our help-er strong a-mid the flood of mor-tal ills pre-vail-ing.  
 were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choos-ing.  
 we will not fear, for God hath willed the truth to tri-umph through us.  
 the Spir-it and the gifts are ours through Christ who with us sid-eth.

For still our an-cient foe doth seek to work us woe; with craft and pow-er  
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je-sus, it is he; Lord Sab-a-oth his  
 The powers of e-vil grim, we trem-ble not for them; their rage we can en-  
 Let goods and kin-dred go, this mor-tal life al-so; the bod-y they may

great, and armed with cru-el hate, on earth is not an e-qual.  
 name. From age to age the same, and he must win the bat-tle.  
 dure, for lo, their doom is sure: one lit-tle word shall fell them.  
 kill; God's truth a-bid-eth still, God's king-dom is for-ev-er.

WORDS: Martin Luther, c. 1529; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1852, alt.; st. 3 alt. Ruth Duck, 1981 EIN' FESTE BURG  
 MUSIC: Melody Martin Luther, c. 1529 87.87.66.667

Based on Psalm 46, this hymn by Martin Luther was probably inspired by the 1529 meeting that gave birth to the word 'Protestant.' Luther wrote or edited thirty-seven hymns and many hymn tunes.

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