

Order for Worship in Many Places
Parkrose Community United Church of Christ + Portland, Oregon
February 7, 2021 / Epiphany 5B / Communion Sunday + 10:00 a.m. (livestream)

Welcome

Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Rejoice my sisters and brothers, for this is the day that our God has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prelude

Niki Farley

Gathering Song

"On Eagle's Wings"

Michael Joncas

https://youtu.be/8IY_iTQf0GM

Prayer in One Voice

Spinner, weaver of our lives, your loom is love. May we who are gathered here be empowered by that love to weave new patterns of truth and justice into a web of life that is strong, beautiful, and everlasting. May it be so. *(Adapt. BWells/slt)*

Young People's Time

Erica Martin

Peace Moment

Harriet Washington - Epidemics of Conspiracy

<https://youtu.be/KbbWalEmHnA>

Song

"If I Had a Hammer"

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=xg47uulG3eg&feature=youtu.be>

Modern Testimony

We should emphasize not Negro history, but the Negro in history. What we need is not a history of selected races or nations, but the history of the world void of national bias, race hate and religious prejudice. Dr. Carter G. Woodson on founding Negro History Week, 1926

Words from Tradition

Mark 1:29-39

Walter Lersch

Exploring the Word

The Real Rosa Park Story

Pastor Dianne

Silent Meditation on the Message

Meditation

Is the Rosa Park Story True?

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=O9f15KRlnjU&feature=youtu.be>

Prayers of the People As one heart is lifted, May we share it's celebration. As one heart is burdened may we share the pain it knows. *(Gretta Vosper/wwg)*. Camie asks for prayers for the family of her cousin, Kevin Green, who died this past week in South Dakota. Rita asks that we pray for an end to gun violence. We pray for everyone who has been affected by CoVid. We pray for Lenny and Louise as they get ready to move to their new home in Washington. We pray for Myanmar in the midst of a coup. We pray for Western Australia seized by wildfires. We pray for ourselves and our nation; as we birth sacred wisdom, that liberates and empowers.

Praying in the Spirit of Jesus

Gracious Spirit, who loves us like a mother, whose realm is blooming among us now. And within. We pray that your compassion guide us in every action. Give us what we need for each day, and help us to be satisfied with the miracle of that alone. Forgiver, whose embrace brings us to wholeness without our asking, may we reconcile ourselves to one another in humility. And may we cancel the crushing debts that imprison our neighbors so that communities of joy and health may flourish. May we neither profit from nor ignore evil. But ever work to abolish it with non-violence as we co-create the realm of peace in this world. Now and each day. Amen. (BHe/la/wsj)

Sharing Signs of Peace

Transition Team Moment

Sharon Ericson

A Goodbye Song for Lenny and Louise

Friends (are friends forever) Michael W. Smith

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=tFOUPv20kUA>

Communion

Jesus said "Come to me all you who are weary and I shall give you rest"

INVITATION

Come to this table because you want to celebrate –care in illness, comfort in sorrow, healing beyond curing, peace in forgiveness, hope in times of fear or threat. Come to this table because you claim your abundance, as culture defines it or as your heart knows it. Come to this table because you have discovered your own generosity and need to start giving.

Consecration

Gentle Host, rest upon us as you rested upon water and light, earth and creatures, human beings, all in your image, and even the cooking pots and serving bowls of those who love you. Send your Spirit of life and love, power and blessing upon your children that this bread may be broken and gathered in love and this cup poured out to give hope to all. Risen Christ, live in us, that we may live in you. Breathe in us, that we may breathe in you.

Remembering

EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM,

**EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM,
SO YOU CAN REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE,**

EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM,
SO YOU CAN REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE,
AND GO TELL THE OTHERS.....

**EAT, DRINK, REMEMBER WHO I AM
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**SO THAT ALL GOD'S CHILDREN CAN LIVE IN HOLY COMMUNION, HOLY
COMMUNION**

(Ann Weems)

Sharing of the Elements

Let us in our many places
receive the gift of God, the bread of heaven.

We are one in Christ in the bread we share.

Let us with our many needs and many blessings,
receive the gift of God, the cup of blessing.

We are one in Christ in the cup we share.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit of Christ, we give thanks for this grace, from our deep heritage of sanctuary Eucharists and community meals, and from our personal memories of many generous plates and your Holy Supper. Wrap your hopeful presence around all whose bodies, spirits and hearts need healing or hope, and let us become your compassionate spoon, your safe refuge. May we be lifted up to serve you and all your children in the world. Amen

Connecting with the World

Friends – our worship concludes, but our service continues.

We didn't just GO to church – WE ARE THE CHURCH

Blessing and Response

Eagle's Wings

And I will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's Hand

Life of the Community

Our Offering to God and God's Work

Please continue to give to this congregation, by setting up monthly bill pay to the church through your bank or credit union. Or use your credit card or PayPal: click the donate button on our website www.parkroseucc.org. Writing a check and dropping it in the mail to us works really well, too! Let's make sure we support our church.