

Doylestown Presbyterian Church  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
May 21, 2023 – 8:30 am  
John Willingham preaching  
Pauline Sexton assisting

Words of Welcome

Prelude

*Come Thou Fount Every Blessing*

arr. R. House

Call to Worship

Psalms 150:1-2, 6a

Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary;

**praise him in his mighty firmament!**

Praise him for his mighty deeds;

**praise him according to his surpassing greatness!**

Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!

\*Hymn 1

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

NICAEA

Prayer of Confession

**Faithful and loving God,**

**we confess that we have not lived in faith and love.**

**You show us the measure of justice,**

**but we tip the scales in our favor.**

**You teach us the way of service,**

**but we still pass by neighbors in need.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

**Help us lead lives that are pleasing to you,**

**growing in faith and knowledge**

**and bearing fruit in every good work;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

The Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.**

\*Congregational Response 587



New Testament Lesson: Luke 10:25-37

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 71

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

*(Ushers will collect prayer request cards following the lesson.)*

*\* Those who are able, please stand*

Anthem

*Intermezzo in A Major, Op. 118, No. 2*  
Mary Claire Jenson, Piano

J. Brahms

Old Testament Lesson: Obadiah 10-15

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 858

Sermon

"A Word to Bystanders"

*"On the day that you stood aside, on the day that strangers carried off his wealth..."—Obadiah 11a*

Concerns of the Church

*(Persons nearest the aisles are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

**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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Hymn 307

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

H. Parry

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**New Life!** The rosebuds on the Communion Table celebrate the births of Matthew Rustin Fisher, born on May 15, to Kristan Haberkern and Matthew Fisher (proud DPC grandparents are Kate and Geoff Fisher); and Naomi Jordan Novak, born on May 17, to Erin and Christopher Novak (proud DPC grandparents are Kathy and David McQuate).

**Christian Sympathy.** The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Trish Tatar and family on the death of her mother, Joan Barth, on May 14. We hold this family in prayer in their time of loss.

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of Dr. Julian and Mrs. Edith Prundeanu and Julian Prundeanu, Jr. by Connie Prundeanu; in loving memory of Ashley Shell Tomlinson by Julie, Tyler and Sarah Tomlinson; and in loving memory of Bob Hoffner and Jean Lang by Carole Hoffner, Cheryl Dreyer and David Hoffner.

Today's **Prayer of Confession** is taken from Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts. Vol. 491, p. 210.

**Summer Worship:** We begin our summer worship schedule next Sunday, May 28 with just one service at 9:30 am.



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