



## ***Worship Together Service***

October 3, 2021 - 2:30 pm

*Cultivating a Society that  
Places Faith in God  
Nurtures Hope  
Dispenses Charity and  
Is Noted for Fidelity*

St. Peter's Episcopal Church  
22 N. Union St., Smyrna, DE 19977

**Welcome:**

State President, *Jim Correll*

**Opening Hymn:** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

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Abridged from a chorale by  
CONRAD KOCHER

ELLIOTT S. PIERPOINT

G D G D G C/E D7/F# G C D7/C G/B C G/D D G

1. For the\_ beau - ty of the earth, For the beau - ty of the skies,  
2. For the\_ beau - ty of each hour, Of the day and of the night,  
3. For the\_ joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de - light,  
4. For the\_ joy of hu - man love, Broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,

G D G D G C/E D/F# G C D7/C G/B C G/D D G

For the\_ lovewhich from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies,  
Hill and\_ vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,  
For the\_ mys - tic har - mo - ny Link - ing sense to sound and sight,  
Friends on\_ earth, and friends a - bove, For all gen - tle thoughts and mild,

G D/F# G D/F# D7 G C D7/C G/B C/E G/D D7 G C G

Lord of all, to thee we raise This our hymn of grate - ful praise. A - men.

5. For each perfect gift of thine  
Unto us so freely given,  
Graces, human and divine,  
Flowers of the earth and buds of heaven,

6. For that Church that evermore  
Lifteth holy hands above,  
Offering up on every shore  
Her pure sacrifice of love,

**Call to Worship:**

State V.P., *DJ Kiessling*

Leader: Come together as the body to worship God

People: **It is in Jesus' name that we gather**

Leader: It is through Jesus' love that you are forgiven

People: **In Jesus name we give glory to God Almighty**

Leader: It is right that we give God all the praise

People: **Praise be to God for his gift of Jesus Christ**

**Opening Prayer**

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Responsive Reading:** Leader: State Executive Committee - KC, *Paul Buckley*

Rejoice in the Lord always; \*

**Again I will say, Rejoice.**

Let your gentleness be known to everyone. \*

**The Lord is near.**

Do not worry about anything, \*

**But in everything by prayer**

And supplication with thanksgiving \*

**Let your requests be made known to God.**

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, \*

**Will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, \*

**Whatever is honorable, whatever is just,**

Whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, \*

**Whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence**

And if there is anything worthy of praise, \*

**Think about these things.**

Keep on doing the things that you have learned \*  
**And received and heard and seen in me,**

And the God of peace \*  
**Will be with you. Amen.**

**Greet One Another** with a Sign of Peace

**First Reading:**

Reader: Lecturer, Smyrna #21, *Paige Boise*

***Family Webs*** by Kelly Roper

Family ties are like spider webs.  
They are delicate, yet so strong,  
And if they are broken or destroyed,  
They can be woven again.

And like a spider web,  
Those intricate lines stretch out  
Between all the family's members,  
Creating a connection that can still be  
Felt even if not immediately seen.

The best thing about this "family web,"  
Is that it's sticky enough to hold  
Everyone together and help them feel  
They have a place where they are loved.

**Hymn:** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

(Let It Begin With Me)

SY MILLER  
JILL JACKSON

Slowly

C Am Dm7 G7 C F Em C6

Let there be peace on earth And let it be - gin with

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Dm G7 C B

me; Let there be peace on earth, The

Em B7 G7 Am Am7 D7/A

peace that was meant to be. With God as <sup>\*</sup>our  
Cre -

Em C7 F G7 C Am7

Fa - ther, Broth - ers all are we. Let me  
a - tor, We're a fam - i - ly. Let us

D7 G Am7 D7 G7

walk with my broth-er In per - fect har - mo - ny.  
walk with each oth-er In per - fect har - mo - ny.

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C Am Dm7 G7 C F C

Let peace be - gin with me, Let this be the mo - ment

Dm G7 C B7 Em

now. With ev - 'ry step I take, Let this be my

B7 G G7 C C+

sol - emn vow: To take each mo - ment and live each

C+ F F° Am/E D7/F# Fm6 C

mo - ment In peace e - ter - nal - ly. Let

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**Second Reading:**

Reader: President, Centre #11, *Michael Lynch*

**1 Corinthians 13:1-13 – The Gift of Love**

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup>It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. <sup>9</sup>For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; <sup>10</sup>but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. <sup>13</sup>And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

**Homily:**

*Mother DJ Kiessling*

**Special Music:**

*Here I am Lord* by Dan Schutte, SJ

**A Litany of Thanksgiving:**

Leader: State V.P.

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all God's gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,

***We thank you, Lord.***

For favorable weather, temperate rains, and fruitful seasons, that there may be food and drink for all your creatures,

***We thank you, Lord.***

For your blessing upon the lands and waters, and all who work upon them to bring forth food and all things needful for your people,

***We thank you, Lord.***

For all who care for the earth, the water, and the air, that the riches of your creation may abound from age to age,

***We thank you, Lord.***

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

***We thank you, Lord.***

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

***We thank you, Lord.***

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

***We thank you, Lord.***

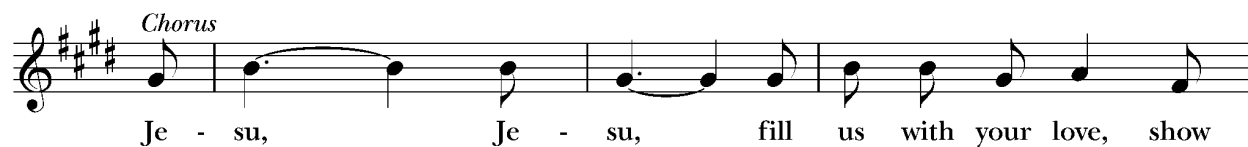
For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

***We thank you, Lord.***

Above all, we give you thanks for your great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord and Light;

***To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.***

**Closing Hymn:** *Jesu, Jesu Fill Us With Your Love* (Chereponi [Jesu, Jesu])







1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,            si - lent - ly wash - es their  
 2 Neigh - bors are rich\_\_\_ and poor,            neigh-bors are black\_\_\_ and  
 3 These are the ones we should serve,            these are the ones we should  
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees,            serv - ing as though we were



feet,            Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.  
 white,            neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.  
 love.            All\_\_\_ are neigh-bors to us and you.  
 slaves;            this is the way we should live with you.

### **Benediction and Blessing of the Food**

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Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with us today. We pray that you have received many blessings from the message and music today.

Please join us for fellowship and a delightful Potluck dinner in the **Parish Hall** hosted by the Kent County Pomona Grange following our service.

### **Special thanks to:**

**Bonnie Forgacs**, *Music Minister*, for sharing her musical talents with us.

**St. Peter's Episcopal Church** for the use of their facilities.

**Kent County Pomona Grange** for hosting us today.

**All** those who participated in the service and who brought a covered dish to share.