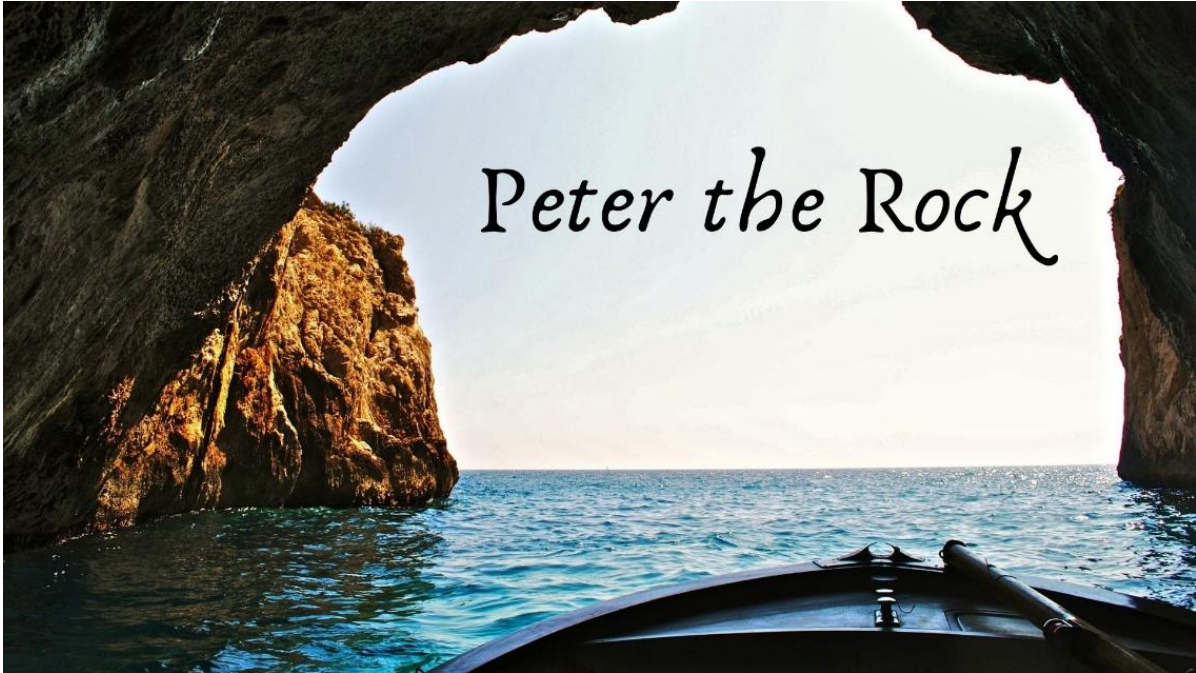


# John Knox Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day  
October 18, 2020



## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

**PRELUDE**

*My Jesus, I Love Thee*

arr. Forrest

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 96:1-2

Sing to the LORD a new song;  
**sing to the LORD, all the earth.**  
Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
**proclaim his salvation day after day.**

**\*HYMN**

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*  
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WESTMINSTER ABBEY

## **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God. First in unison, then in silence.

**Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon gathered disciples  
creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith.**

**We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.**

**We do not listen for your word of grace,**

**speak the good news of your love,**

**or live as a people made one in Christ.**

**Have mercy on us, O God.**

**Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit  
and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,  
doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

*Silent Confession*

## **\*LORD, HAVE MERCY**

*Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The mercy of the Lord

is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ,

you are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God, for His love and grace!**

## **\*RESPONDING IN PRAISE**

*Sing twice*

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,***

***and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,***

***and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.***

***As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

# PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

## A TIME FOR CHILDREN

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 40:9-10

I have told the glad news of deliverance  
in the great congregation;  
see, I have not restrained my lips,  
as you know, O LORD.  
I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;  
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness  
from the great congregation.

## MUSIC

*O Love*  
John Knox Virtual Choir

Elaine Hagenberg

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 4:1-21

While Peter and John were speaking to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came to them, much annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming that in Jesus there is the resurrection of the dead. So they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who heard the word believed; and they numbered about five thousand.

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and ordinary men, they were amazed and recognized them as

companions of Jesus. When they saw the man who had been cured standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. So they ordered them to leave the council while they discussed the matter with one another. They said, "What will we do with them? For it is obvious to all who live in Jerusalem that a notable sign has been done through them; we cannot deny it. But to keep it from spreading further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name." So they called them and ordered them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered them, "Whether it is right in God's sight to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge; for we cannot keep from speaking about what we have seen and heard." After threatening them again, they let them go, finding no way to punish them because of the people, for all of them praised God for what had happened.

The grass withers, the flower fades,  
**The Word of our God will stand forever.**

**SERMON**

"Spreading the Fire"

David Howell

## **RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

**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. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

### \*HYMN

*Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*  
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CANONBURY

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*God of All Righteousness*

Paxton

#### Worship Team

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