

Service of Worship

June 16th, 2024

4th Sunday after Pentecost



First Presbyterian Church of Fort Thomas

Rev. Dr. Amy Snow, Interim Pastor

Dave Zeng, Music Director

Mika Komuro, Pianist

Fanfare

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Mika Komuro

The Gathering

*Call to Worship

Paul Winkler

One: Today and every day, creation greets the dawn with worship.

All: Let us join with creation and greet the day with worship!

One: Birds and buzzing insects sing songs of joy to our great Creator.

All: Let us join with birds and insects, singing songs of joy to our great Creator!

One: Trees and plants stretch their leaves toward the light of day, ready to receive energy and life.

All: Let us stretch our hearts and hands in worship, ready to receive blessing and share love!

One: The mountains, valleys, oceans, and deserts proclaim the glory of our God.

All: We cannot be silent—let us worship the One who made us all!

*Opening Hymn

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

Hymn #20

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Creator God, you made wolves to howl, snakes to slither, penguins to dive, and people to love. But we do not always do what we were made to do. We do not always love one another. You give us empathy to feel suffering, but at times, we turn away and ignore each other. You give us language to share words of encouragement, but sometimes we speak unkindly when we are angry. You provide enough resources for everyone, but we store up food, land, and things for ourselves. Forgive us for the times we do not show love, and call us back to who you made us to be. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Hymn #240, Chorus

**“Alleluia Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Praise to His name.”**

Greeting in Christ's Name

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The Word

Special Music	“This Is the Glory” <i>Bell Choir</i>	arr. Anna Laura Page
Time with our Children Prayer for Illumination Scripture Reading	Genesis 1:26-31 This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	Pastor Amy Pew Bible pg. 1
Sermon	“Lost in Translation”	Rev. Dr. Amy Snow

Response to Grace

Hymn of Response Affirmation of Faith	“Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being”	Hymn #34
One:	Children of the Creator, friends of Jesus, and followers of the Way, come, let us affirm our understanding of every living thing’s needs.	
All:	Though creation is limited, and bound by space and time, we believe in a limitless, boundless God who knows our unique needs and cares for all.	
One:	We believe God calls all dwelling places good, from caves to coral, barns to bayous, apartments to aquifers.	
All:	Every living thing needs shelter. Shelter protects life!	
One:	We believe God causes the grass to grow for the cattle and plants for people to cherish, to bring forth food from the earth.	
All:	Every living thing needs food. Food energizes life!	
One:	We believe God designed all life on earth to exist in precisely balanced cycles of precipitation and evaporation, growth and decay, death and resurrection.	
All:	Every living thing needs water. Water hydrates life!	
One:	We believe God’s breath hovered over the face of deep chaos. God created light, darkness, land, and life as they breathed out the words, “Let there be...”	
All:	Every living thing needs air. Air sustains life!	
One:	We believe in God’s holy community, the Trinity, three in one. We believe God designed us as cohabitants of this exquisite garden, for cooperation not conquest, for sustainability not selfishness.	
All:	Every living thing needs community. Community produces life! We believe in the magnificent design of Earth’s evolving resilience. May we honor and follow the example of God’s good creation.	

Call for the Offering Offertory	“It Is Well with My Soul” <i>Bell Choir</i>	arr. Anna Laura Page
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Doxology

Hymn #608

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more; praise Triune God, whom we adore.”

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending

Closing Hymn

“In the Garden”

see insert

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Hymn #19 v. 1

**“God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,
God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong,
Alleluia, Alleluia, praise be to your name.”**

Postlude

Mika Komuro

WORSHIP NOTES

Liturgist: Paul Winkler

Acolyte: Abel Dawn

*All are invited to stand in body or spirit

All Hymns from Glory to God hymnal, unless noted otherwise

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- Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- Serving the Needs of others