

4th Sunday after Pentecost
July 2, 2017
“God Works Through Us to Create”



Delta Presbyterian Church

Strengthening Christ in us

Sharing Christ among us

Showing Christ around us

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Order of Worship
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Prelude
Tolling of the Bell

Frederick Alhaddad, Pianist

Gathering for Worship

**Singspiration

Change for Change

Bless the Lord, O My Soul (3 times)

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre.
He covers the heavens with clouds,
prepares rain for the earth,
makes grass grow on the hills.

Psalm 147:7-8 (NRSV)

In the Garden

Strengthening Christ in Us

Prayer of Confession

Art Kelley, Lay Leader

Creator God, you have given us the power of imagination,
through which the future grasps our lives today.

**We confess that we do not give our lives over
to the transforming power of your spirit.**

We choose not to hear you calling to us. We deny the gifts you grant us.

We fail to live in ways that build up the life of your whole creation.

Forgive us, and give us courage, that we may open ourselves
to the new creation you seek to bring within and among us.

**Draw us into the future toward the new world you are creating
through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

(Time for silent prayer)

We continue our prayers as we commit ourselves to

**Strengthening Christ in us,
Sharing Christ among us, and
Showing Christ around us. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Anyone in Christ becomes a new person altogether;

**the past is finished and gone,
everything has become fresh and new.**

Friends, believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

**Passing of the Peace

**Response

Glory Be to the Father (Avery & Marsh)

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 1:26-30 (NIV)

Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King (vs. 1,6)

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 25:14-30 (NIV)

Children's Sermon

Hymn

Jesus Loves Me (vs. 1)
(Children may return to their seats or go to the PrayGround)

Proclamation of the Word **God Works Through Us to Create** Jack Keys, Guest Speaker

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Micah 6:8 (NRSV)

Hymn of Response **When Peace Like a River (vs. 1,3,4)

**Sharing Christ Among Us--
Showing Christ Around Us**

Offering

Response **Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Life in the Community

Prayers for Those Among & Around Us/Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn **This is My Father's World (vs. 1-2)

**Challenges Lead to Blessings

Closing Response **This is My Father's World (vs. 3)

Postlude

***Please stand if you are able*



Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased to have you worshipping with us this morning. We provide this information to help you fully participate in the worship of God. Please take a moment to sign the guest book on the stand in the back of the sanctuary (worship space) to the left of the drinking fountain.

We invite you to stay for our fellowship time following the service. Feel free to help yourself to the coffee and hot water (for tea) that is available in the back of the sanctuary before and after worship.

Everything you need to participate in worship is on the screen. If you are able, you are invited to stand when the congregation stands.

Restrooms are in the back of the sanctuary on the left.

There is information on the activities at Delta on the counter in the Commitment Center. The Commitment Center is on your left as you leave the sanctuary.

We welcome the sound of children in worship. If your young child is distracting to **you**, you are welcome to do any of the following:

- Get up and move to the back. The colorful bags have small items designed to keep children busy. They are welcome to play with them on the floor in front of the Commitment Center, or you may take the bags to your seats.
- There is a nursery available downstairs. Exit the sanctuary via the door on the right and go straight down the stairs. The nursery (101) is at the foot of the steps on the right.
- There is a cry room (202) where you can take your child. Instead of going downstairs, go down the hall and the cry room is on the right. You can view the worship service through a window. The cry room is equipped with a changing table.

Preschool through early elementary children are dismissed following the Children's Sermon. They may either return to their seats, or go to the PrayGround at the front of the church.

Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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