### **PPUMC is a RECONCILING CONGREGATION**

that seeks spiritual growth through reason, experience, scripture, and tradition. We engage in work that demands justice in the community and in the world, use gender neutral language in reference to God, inclusive language for Creation, believe that music inspires us, that sharing binds us together, and that reflection and prayer empower us to act. We welcome seekers of all ages, races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identifications, and creeds.



a Reconciling Network Congregation committed to Racial Justice



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# Worship with Rejoicing | Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

#### Welcome to Prospect Park UMC

We are a reconciling congregation that seeks to be an inclusive Christian community that affirms faith in God and spiritual growth with a commitment to justice and stewardship of God's creation. You are safe here. All Are Welcome! 1 All stand

Please be Seated Where indicated, speak or sing the words in **bold** 

**Centering Moment: Our Daily Bread** 

Check out todays passage from "Our Daily Bread" to get centered for Worship

Prelude Farewell to Stromness, Peter Maxwell Davies



Rebekah Richards, piano Sarah Hvidsten, violin

Welcome

Ann DeGroot

**Centering Breath** 

### **† CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Holy One, we come together this morning with open hearts **All: to worship you in thanks and praise.** 

One: You are the one who meets us on the road;

All: You abide with us on the thresholds of life when the way is not yet clear. One: Eternal Spirit, Path-maker, we come before You with attitudes of trust, All: and celebrate Your steadfast presence. Amen.

**†** Opening Prayer (In Unison)

All: Spirit of Life and Love, from your creative energy has evolved the whole of the cosmos, all that we know and love. In times of uncertainty when the way forward is not yet visible to us, when life can seem chaotic, we must remember that out of chaos and the void you brought order and fashioned the Earth on which we live and go about our lives. We pray for your guidance, that we remember who you are, and who we are-and whose we are. We are part of your creation, which is not yet finished, but still unfolding. In this spirit, we pray and give thanks. *Amen*.

↑ Opening Hymn	Come, Come, Everybody Worship	FWS 2271
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# This Week at Prospect Park UMC

<u>Monday, July 22</u>	6:30 pm PPA Meeting (Community Hall)
<u>Tuesday, July 23</u>	6:30 pm PPUMC Admin Council Meeting (online via Zoom)
	1 pm Physical Acting Workshop (Community Hall)
<u>Wednesday, July 24</u>	1 pm Physical Acting Workshop (Community Hall)
<u>Thursday, July 25</u>	1 pm Physical Acting Workshop (Community Hall)
<u>Sunday, July 28</u>	9:15am: Musical Gathering Time (Sanctuary)
	9:30am: Coffee and Conversation via Zoom
	10am: Worship (Sanctuary & Zoom)
	After Worship: Coffee Hour: Conversation/ Fellowship (Community Hall & Zoom)
	4 pm Dignity Liturgy (Chapel)
	5 pm Dignity Meeting (Chapel/Study)

# Welcome Rev. Doug Federhart



We are delighted to welcome The Rev. Doug Federhart as our guest preacher today! Doug is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and one of the Community Ministers affiliated with the New Branches community of Living Table UCC. In 2005 he was certified as a spiritual director by Sacred Ground Center for Spirituality in St. Paul, having completed their Ignatian-based formation program.

He sees people individually, as well as leads retreats, and he has extensive experience with issues related to addiction, sexual orientation and gender identity, with a special affinity for those in second half of life transitions. Doug shares a home in south Minneapolis with his husband Stuart.

# Contact Doug at spirit\_ventures@msn.com

## **Children's Time**

Rev. Federhart

**Children's Time Songs** 

Intro

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine (x3) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

## Outro

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so Little ones to him belong, and the rest can tag along! Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves you, Yes, Jesus love us all The Bible tells us so.

Passing of the PeaceOne: The Holy One is with you.All: And also with you.One: Let us pass the peace to one another and share the Christ love together.

Ministry of Giving (Offering)

**Offertory** Sacred Prelude of Peace, James Michael Stevens

Rebekah Richards & Sarah Hvidsten

**† The Doxology** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts Praise the Spirt, Holy Spirit Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Contemporary Reading** "For the Interim Time" John O'Donohue From *To Bless the Space Between Us: A Book of Blessings*  Ida Grace (see insert)



Worship Team for Sunday, July 21

Guest Preacher: Rev. Doug Federhart

Worship Leader: Ann DeGroot

Music: Rebekah Richards, piano & Sarah Hvidsten, violin

Scripture Reader: Ida Grace

Nursery Caregiver: Elise

Altar Design Team: Judy Bratt & Marilee Johnson

<u>WORSHIP TEAM (rotating duties)</u>: Kristi Adams, Vanessa Agudo, Cassie Davies-Juhnke, Ann DeGroot, Cathy Velasquez Eberhart, Mike Hvidsten, Montana Johnson, Ginia Klamecki, Steve Ozanne, Anna Rieth



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Want to support the work of PPUMC? Scan this QR Code to go to our Giving Page online! Ida Grace

"Thresholds"

Rev. Doug Federhart

**† Response Hymn** God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Tune: Dundee

### **Share Joys and Concerns**

(You are invited to come share your joys and any prayer requests you have that you want the community to be in prayer with you. Use the green prayer cards if you do not want to verbally say your prayer.)

### **Silent Prayer**

(Those who desire prayer, light a candle as a symbol of your prayer request.)

## **Pastoral Prayer**

Reflection

Lord's Prayer Paraphrase by Joan Mitchell, Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet

#### God among us and between us, around and within us, blessed be your names, you the whole, we a part. May every day dawn with new delight and every night grow seeds of justice in our hearts. Feed us today the fruit of our hands and your Earth. Forgive us the harm and wrong we do to others as we forgive the harm and wrong they do to us. Lead us from certainty and cynicism to curiosity and awe and free us to find you as you are - in all things. Amen.

#### Announcements

(Any events or information you want the community to know, come & share!)

#### **†** Benediction

† Recessional	UMH 546		
Postlude	<i>Minuet,</i> L. Boccherini	Rebekah Richards & S	Sarah Hvidsten

<sup>13</sup>Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

<sup>19</sup> "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people.<sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.<sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.<sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken!<sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"<sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther.<sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

<sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup> and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." <sup>35</sup> Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

The Word of God for the people of God (All: Thanks be to God)