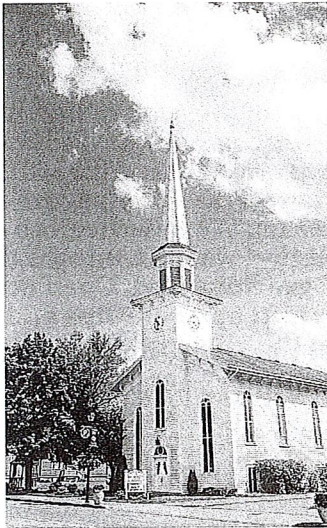


# *First Presbyterian Church* **IN VICTOR**

**WHOEVER YOU ARE.  
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.  
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



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Pastor Nick Dorland  
Guest Preacher: Alfred Appiah  
Organist Ayn Patrowicz

**Order of Worship**  
**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 8, 2021, 10am**

**Prelude**

All People That On Earth Do Dwell  
arr. by Robert J. Hughes

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

O God, your constant love reaches to the heavens,  
your faithfulness extends to the skies.

**Your righteousness towers like the mountains,  
your justice is deeper than the sea.**

All find protection under the shadow of your wings.

We feast on the abundance you provide.

**You are the source of all life,  
and in your light, we see light.**

**Opening Hymn #461**

“God is Here!”

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world’s rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with all humanity in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that all who believe in him will not perish but have everlasting life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Beloved people of God, we are forgiven, believe this gospel and live into its peace. **Amen.**

**Gloria Patri #579**

“Glory Be to the Father”

**Moment for All Ages**

**Unison Prayer for Illumination:**

Let there be light in our minds, O Lord, sent through the reading and hearing of your Word. In its rich treasures may we discover guidance for the living of today; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Scripture**

Psalm 113:1-9

God the Helper of the Needy

- 1 Praise the Lord!  
Praise, O servants of the Lord;  
praise the name of the Lord.
- 2 Blessed be the name of the Lord  
from this time on and forevermore.
- 3 From the rising of the sun to its setting  
the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- 4 The Lord is high above all nations,  
and his glory above the heavens.
- 5 Who is like the Lord our God,  
who is seated on high,  
6 who looks far down  
on the heavens and the earth?  
7 He raises the poor from the dust,  
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
8 to make them sit with princes,  
with the princes of his people.
- 9 He gives the barren woman a home,  
making her the joyous mother of children.  
Praise the Lord!

**Sermon**

“Trees Planted by the Water: God Cares! Hallelujah!!”  
**Alfred Appiah**

**Affirmation Of Faith: Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord, our Creator, almighty and everlasting God! You created heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty. You have given us life and being, and you preserve us by your providence. But you have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you, we praise and bless you, O God. With your whole church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

Most righteous God, we remember in this supper the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world. In the joy of his resurrection and in the expectation of his coming again, we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices. Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into Christ, our Lord. And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Even so, come, Lord Jesus! **Amen.**

## Invitation Song #513

“Let us Break Bread Together” (v.1)

## Communion

### Offering

#### Doxology

### Unison Prayer of Dedication

**O God, our offerings proclaim that work and worship are one, that life is undivided. Use these gifts for your church’s ministries of reconciliation, service, and mercy. Amen.**

### Prayers of the People

Lord God, there is no one like you in heaven above or on the earth below.

Hear our prayer. Only say the word, Lord,

**and all shall be well.**

For your Church in every place, make us servants of Christ and witnesses to the gospel.

Only say the word, Lord,

**and all shall be well.**

For leaders and people in every land, that they may know your way and do your will.

Only say the word, Lord,

**and all shall be well.**

For an end to oppression and exploitation, that all your children may be free.

Only say the word, Lord,

**and all shall be well.**

For the earth that you have made, that it may flourish in beauty and show your glory.

Only say the word, Lord,

**and all shall be well.**

For those who are ill and close to death, draw near to them with life-giving power.

Only say the word, Lord,

**and all shall be well.**

Receive all these prayers in the tenderness of your mighty hand and keep us forever in the safety of your outstretched arm... Now we join our voices in the prayer Jesus taught us when he said,...

### **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;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power  
and the glory, forever.  
Amen.**

### **Closing Song**

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

### **Benediction**

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you as you go from this place. Amen.

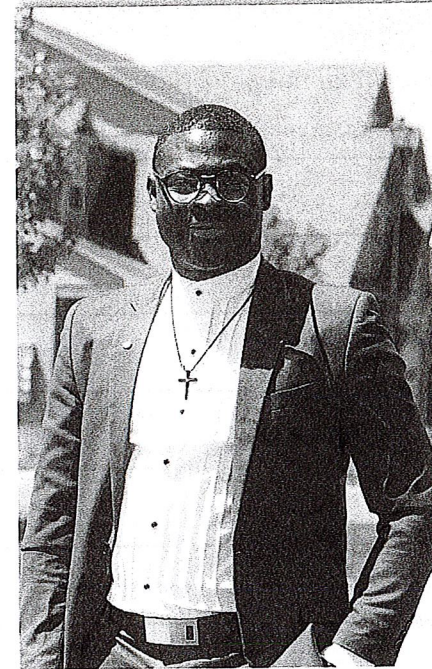
### **Postlude**

"God Bless Our Homeland Ghana" by Philip Gbeho

"God bless our homeland Ghana  
And make our nation great and strong,  
Bold to defend forever  
The cause of Freedom and of Right;  
Fill our hearts with true humility.  
Make us cherish fearless honesty,  
And help us to resist oppressors' rule  
With all our will and might evermore.  
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With all our will and might evermore."

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***Thank you to these members who are  
helping with worship today-  
Deacon Greeter: Nancy Fisher***



Alfred Appiah, our student intern in 2020, is completing his final year of seminary education at Columbia Theological Seminary in Georgia. Starting in September he will complete classes in-person while his wife Jennifer and daughter Eliora stay in Rochester. Alfred's last Sunday preaching with us at FPCV will be today. Please stay after worship today for fellowship, to bid Alfred farewell, and to celebrate Eliora's first birthday!

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\*The "Quiet Room" is available for anyone feeling the need to go to someplace quiet with their child(ren) but don't want to miss out on the service to do so. The audio of the worship is on a speaker in the room and the window overlooks the sanctuary.

\*Announcements and calendar of events can be found in our weekly eNews!

### **Summer Office Hours**

Office: Tuesday & Thursday 9am-2pm

Pastor Nick: Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm

# 5 God Is Here!

3/6/16

1. God is here! As we your peo-ple meet to of - fer
2. Here are sym-bols to re - mind us of our life - long
3. Here our chil-dren find a wel-come in in the Shep - herd's
4. Lord of all, of Church and king-dom, in an age of

Musical notation for the first system, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea-sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
 change and doubt keep us faith - ful to the Gos - pel;

Musical notation for the second system, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here is hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us, as of old. Here the ser - vants  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in in this day's

Musical notation for the third system, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach-ing, here in in si - lence, - as in speech,  
 cel - e - bra - tion, seek all we have to give, re - ceive;

Musical notation for the fourth system, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

wait the com-ing of the Spir-it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 here, in new-ness and re-new-al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dare.  
 we, who can - not live with-out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Musical notation for the fifth system, including vocal line and piano accompaniment.

# 513

## Let Us Break Bread Together

African-American spiritual

LET US BREAK BREAD 10.10 with refrain

African-American spiritual  
Arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1988

1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees;)  
 2. Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees;)

Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees.)  
 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees. (on our knees.)

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, With my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me.)