



Church of the Hills
Presbyterian Church (USA)

“Love and Kindness”

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Philippians 2:1-11

Chaplain Steven Galbraith

October 10, 2021

We are a vibrant family of faith rooted in God's Word, gathering together to worship and equipped to share the love of Christ in the world.

Welcome

Linda LaGrange

Moment for Mission – Operation Christmas Child

Heidi Smithson

Music Meditation

Hanna Wo

****Call to Worship**

Linda LaGrange

Leader: O Lord, satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,

People: so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Leader: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,

People: and prosper for us the work of our hands.

****Opening Hymn**

“O for a World ”

Purple Hymnal 372 (v. 1,2,5)

O for a world where everyone respects each other’s ways,
where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,
where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

O for a world preparing for God’s glorious reign of peace,
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

**** Please stand for all hymns if you are able**

Invitation to Confession

Linda LaGrange

Leader: Please approach the throne of grace with me.

All: We cannot earn God's grace or favor. It comes to us, not as something owed, but as a gift freely given. Confident in God's love for us, we confess our sins in faith.

Returning to the Lord through Confession

Linda LaGrange

Leader: O Lord, you are the maker of justice and the source of righteousness,

People: the one who hears the cries of the suffering and who fills the hunger of the poor.

Leader: Forgive us, O God, when we fail to reflect your just love:

People: when we have food and food leftover, yet we do not share with any in need;

Leader: when we have power for good and power for change, yet we use it only for our own self-preservation;

People: when we have the words of the prophets before us, yet we cover our ears lest they make us uncomfortable.

All: Forgive us, O Lord, and teach us to follow in Your way. We surrender to You the sins that separate us from You and one another during this time of silence (Silence).

Leader: In the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness and the Peace of Christ

Linda LaGrange

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And, also with you.

Leader: Share the peace of Christ with one another.

****Response to Forgiveness**

“There is a Redeemer”

Purple Hymnal 443 (v.1)

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son;
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Prayer for Illumination

Linda LaGrange

Leader: Please join me in the Prayer for Illumination.

All: Blessed Lord, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

New Testament Reading

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Ministry of Music

“Who will Teach the Children?”

by Anna Laura Page
Sung by Hanna Wo

Who will teach the children? Shape their hearts and minds?
Who will guide their feet along the way?
Who will teach the children, guard their souls from sin?
Commit them to the Father when you pray.

Love the Lord with all your soul and strength; love the Lord with all your heart.
Love your neighbor as you love yourself; from these commands do not depart.

Will you teach the children, shape their hearts and minds?
Will you guide their feet along the way?
Will you teach the children, guard their souls from sin?
Commit them to the Father when you pray.

Let the morning bring word of Your love, for I have placed my trust in You.
Teach me Your will, Lord, for You are my God; may Your spirit guide my heart to truth.

We will teach the children, shape their hearts and minds.
We will guide their feet along the way.
We will teach the children, guard their souls from sin,
Commit them to the Father when we pray.

Sermon

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**** Response to Sermon**

“The Gift of Love”

Purple Hymnal 693 (v. 1,2)

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

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Invitation to the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Chaplain Steven Galbraith

****Doxology**

“Take My Life”

Purple Hymnal 697 (v. 2)

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,
swift and beautiful for Thee.

Minute for Stewardship

Christi Todd

Thanksgiving Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

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All: 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 Hymn** “They’ll Know We are Christians by Our Love” Purple Hymnal 462 (v. 3)

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we’ll guard human dignity and save human pride:

(Refrain)

**And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.**

****Charge and Blessing**

Chaplain Steven Galbraith

Leader: And the people of God say

People: Alleluia. Amen.

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Biography of Today's Guest Chaplain, Steven Galbraith

My name is Steven Galbraith and I am currently serving on staff as Chaplain for Pastoral Care at Arvada Presbyterian Church. I graduated back in December from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary with a Certificate in Congregational Leadership and have been working with the Committee on Ministry through the Denver Presbytery as a candidate for the Commissioned Lay Pastor / Ruling Elder program.

My wife Lori and I just celebrated our 42nd wedding anniversary; along the way raising three sons, and are now experiencing the joy of two grandsons. With no chance of having a daughter or granddaughter to spoil, I have concentrated on spoiling my daughters-in-law. I love painting, guitar, classic movies and classic rock as well as the Broncos, Avalanche, Nuggets and Rockies... in that order. It is my distinct honor to share this Sunday with all of you.

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*Hymnals are indicated for those that may have them at home.

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