

Announcements

Children's Message John Guzewich

Prayer for Illumination

1st Reading Psalm 24

Anthem *Lift Thine Eyes to the Mountains* Felix Mendelssohn

2nd Reading Ephesians 1: 3-14

Sermon *Destiny* The Rev. Peter D. Surgenor

***Hymn #274** *O God of Earth and Space*

Offering our Gifts and Tithes

*** Hymn #592**

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Offering our Joys and Concerns for Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

*** Hymn 268** *God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*

Charge and Benediction

Choral Response

Postlude

**All that are able please stand*



*We are a Christian community welcoming all
as we seek to grow in faith and serve others.*

Palisades Presbyterian Church

Palisades, New York 10964

October 8, 2006

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Palisades Presbyterian Church Welcomes You

Worship Service 10:00 A.M.

On Reflection:

Destiny is something not to be desired and not to be avoided. A mystery not contrary to reason, for it implies that the world, and the course of human history, has meaning.

- Dag Hammarskjold

I would rather be ashes than dust! I would rather that my spark should burn out in a brilliant blaze than it should be stifled by dry-rot. I would rather be a superb meteor, every atom of me in magnificent glow, than a sleepy and permanent planet. The function of [humans] is to live, not to exist. I shall not waste my days trying to prolong them. I shall use my time.

- Attributed to Jack London



Church Bell

Introit

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the LORD, all who gather here and beyond!

All: Let us all extol God in the ways the Spirit guides us.

Leader: Great and comforting is God's steadfast love toward all creation.

All: God's faithfulness to us endures forever.

Leader: We raise our voices in song and worship, buoyed with God's loving-kindness.

All: May we be forever faithful, as God is always faithful to us!

* Hymn #276 *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Forgive us, Lord,
when we forget the strength you give us,
and our witness is timid and lacking heart.
Forgive the easier,
cloudy visions of your kingdom,
Obscured by human folly;
the songs of your glory sung in less than harmony;
the half-hearted attempts at service,
prodded more by duty than generosity.
Please, restore in us the wonder of your love,
and a stronger longing for your presence with us.
Teach our tongues to sing the melody of your grace;
help us complete the path set before us -
always looking to Jesus who loves us,
who shows us who you are and calls us all to be servants,
and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Choral Response

Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news: "If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, that our sins are forgiven.

* Hymn #322

*Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.*

Sharing the Peace