Westminster
Presbyterian Church

August 1, 2021
10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
COMMUNION SUNDAY

Welcome and Announcements — **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

Gathering Music

Hymn No. 399 — God Welcomes All — THEMBA AMEN

God welcomes all,
strangers and friends;
God's love is strong
and it never ends.

Hymn — Morning Has Broken — BUNESSAN
Song Book Pg. 9

Opening Prayer — **Linda Barbu**

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

How good and wonderful it is to gather in your presence, God,
In the company of friends, trees and birds.

We come
with the hope of growing deeper,
with the hope of connecting,
with the hope of glimpsing you, God.

Help us
To fill our cup here.
Be present here.
Learn how to live like your beloved children.

Let us open our hearts and minds to worship Holy God!

Hymn — This Is The Day

This is the day, this is the day,
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.
We will rejoice, we will rejoice,
And be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord has made.
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day,
That the Lord has made.

Scripture Reading Ruth 1:1-19 **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

[1]In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. [2]The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. [3]But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. [4]These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, [5]both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

[6]Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. [7]So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. [8]But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. [9]The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. [10]They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." [11]But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? [12]Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, [13]would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me."

[14]Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.
[15]So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law."[16]But Ruth said,
"Do not press me to leave you
or to turn back from following you!
Where you go, I will go;
where you lodge, I will lodge;
your people shall be my people,
and your God my God.
[17]Where you die, I will die—
there will I be buried.
May the Lord do thus and so to me,
and more as well,
if even death parts me from you!"

[18] When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.
[19] So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Table Conversations – Where Do We Go From Here?

1. **Share about a time when you found empathy for someone and it surprised you.**

2. **Share about a time you found common ground with someone who is different than you.**

3. **What's something in your life, in the Church, or in the world that is desperately needs to change? How do you want to be part of that change?**

Hymn No. 527 Eat This Bread BERTHIER

Eat this bread; drink this cup;
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread; drink this cup;
trust in me and you will not thirst

Communion **Rev. Dr. Enikő Ferenczy**

Benediction

Closing Hymns

Hymn Let All Things Now Living ASH GROVE
Song Book Pg. 8

Hymn No. 853 We Are Marching in the Light of God SIYAHAMBA

We are marching in the light of God; (4x)
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,
we are marching in the light of, the light of God. (2x)

Additional stanzas:
We are dancing…
We are praying…
We are singing…

The service continues with picnic and fellowship.

Music: Ken Shafer – Keyboard, Pong Thiemmedh – Drum, Guitar
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