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## Penney Memorial Church Penney Farms, Florida



*Enter into his gates  
with thanksgiving, into  
his courts with praise.  
Give thanks to him,  
and bless his name.  
Psalm 100:4*

**An Interdenominational Church  
Sunday, September 12, 2021**

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD



September 12, 2021

10:30 a.m.

*\*The Congregation is invited to stand.\**

GATHERING MUSIC

Larry Verlander

ORGAN PRELUDE “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” arr. J. Conley

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #20 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” Henry Van Dyke

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 100

## A TIME FOR A HUMBLE APPROACH

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

MOMENT OF SILENCE, PERSONAL CONFESSION

AFFIRMATION OF PARDON

## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT Mark 4:29-34

SERMON “Get Up” Merlin Conrad

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## **SERVING TODAY**

Worship Leader: Merlin Conrad

Liturgist: Steve Vander Kamp

Special Music: PMC Handbell Choir; Jennifer Goodwin, Director

Organist: Larry Verlander

**Merlin Conrad**, our preacher today, grew up in Ohio in a family of Swiss American cheesemakers (father and grandfather). He was baptized in a German Reform church which later (through mergers) became the United Church of Christ. After one year of High School teaching and coaching, he attended Lancaster Seminary, graduating in 1961. He later received a D.Min from Pittsburg Theological Seminary in 1975. After serving 4 congregations and 6 interims, he returned to full time ministry as the Chaplain at Westminster Woods at Julington Creek, retiring after 6 years in 2019. Merlin and his wife **Maureen** moved to PRC in April of this year, and are delighted to live at 3510 Dwight Street.

**Steve Vander Kamp is our liturgist:** “I was born in Grand Rapids, MI and married my High School sweetheart, Joyce. 51 years ago. We have 4 children and 4 grandchildren. Joyce and I were raised in the Christian Reformed Church. We connected our hearts to our heads when we experienced a Cursillo Weekend at age 33. Spiritually we have never looked back and continually look to Him for our daily sustenance. He has not failed. I have served in many leadership positions, elder, Christian School President, Cursillo Board; teacher/facilitator for organizations growing in leadership.”

## **SERVING NEXT WEEK**

Worship Leader: Wendell Karsen; Liturgist: Renske Karsen

Organist: Larry Verlander

## This Week at PMC

(See the listing below for all possible venues and their links.)

ALL PROGRAMS & MEETINGS ARE ACCESSIBLE ON THE VIRTUAL VENUES  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED WITH “NO” IN THE LAST COLUMN.

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DAY, DATE, & TIME	PROGRAM/ MEETING	PREACHER / LITURGIST/ LEADER	PHYSICAL VENUE	ALL VIRTUAL VENUES
SUN. SEPT 12 8:45-9:45 am	ACTS 29 CLASS STUDYING JEREMIAH	VARIES	COMMONS CLASSROOM	NO
SUN SEPT 12 8:45-9:45 am	PHILATHEA CLASS	SELECTED VERSES FROM JAMES	FELLOWSHIP HALL	NO
SUN SEPT 12 8:45-9:45 am	DIALOGUE CLASS	BOOK STUDY	BARROWS HALL	CHANNEL 22
SUN SEPT 12 10:30 am	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	MERLIN CONRAD STEVE VANDER KAMP	SANCTUARY	YES
TUE. SEPT 14 4:00 pm	“IN CONVERSATION WITH MS EMMA”	JOY CAROL	BROADCAST	CHANNEL 21
THU. SEPT 16 4:00 pm	“IN CONVERSATION WITH MS EMMA”	JOY CAROL	BROADCAST	CHANNEL 21
FRI. SEPT 17 9:00 am	INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP	BRUCE BERRY	FELLOWSHIP ROOM	NO
SUN SEPT 19 10:30 am	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	WENDELL KARSEN/ RENSKE KARSEN	SANCTUARY	YES

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (#14)

SPECIAL MUSIC “Joyful, Joyful” (Hymn to Joy) Ludwig van Beethoven  
Handbell Choir, Jennifer Goodwin, Director arr. by Cynthia Dobrinski

### SERVICE of GIVING

OFFERINGS IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

GRATITUDE TO A GENEROUS CONGREGATION

ORGAN OFFERTORY “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” arr. R. Hobby

\*DOXOLOGY #808

\*PRAYER of DEDICATION

### CHURCH at PRAYER

CONCERNS and PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER (“debts”)

### THE CHURCH into the WORLD

\*HYMN of COMMITMENT #130 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”  
Charles Wesley

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” A. L. Page



## \*CHURCH NEWS\*

### A Letter from our Moderator, Martha Gale

For the remainder of this month, we will be limiting the seating in the Sanctuary to 30 worshippers who have signed up to attend in the Hub. Everyone must wear their mask, covering their nose and mouth, for the entire service. Please sit in the spaces marked by the seat (back) cushions, and note that every other pew is to remain empty to ensure social distancing. If you need to adjust the cushions, I ask that you maintain the zig-zag pattern, so no one is directly behind anyone.

Now the good news! On October 3, we will open the services to all who wish to come, trusting that you will have been vaccinated, will still wear your masks properly, and sit where the cushions are placed, still maintaining the zig-zag pattern, but using all the pews. October 3rd is World-Wide Communion Sunday. We encourage those of you who have outfits from other countries to wear them that morning. You will hear more details about that service in the coming weeks. That evening, we will be having a special service of Lamentation and Celebration at 7 PM in our Sanctuary. You will have an opportunity to remember and celebrate the lives of those we've lost so far during the Covid-19 Pandemic. You will be hearing more about this special service in the coming weeks as well.

Now a word of caution! These plans are subject to change in the event of another outbreak on campus, so we fervently encourage everyone to be cautious in all activities, wearing our masks and maintaining social distancing, especially when you are near those who you don't know, whether or not they have been vaccinated. I will keep you informed if plans need to change. Always remember to avoid attending any gathering or meeting or visiting your neighbors if you have the slightest cold-like or flu symptoms. Everyone will appreciate your thoughtfulness and care of your neighbors.

*"We're all in this together."*

### COMMUNION

The Penmor Communion Wednesday morning services are postponed for September. We are hopeful that they can begin again in October. Mark Davies, coordinator

### DIALOGUE CLASS

Dialogue Class resumes on Sunday morning, September 12, in Barrows Hall 8:45 - 9:45. We are studying *Leaving Egypt, Finding God in the Wilderness Places* by Chuck De Groat. We will discuss Lesson 9 in Part 3 beginning on page 122. The class will be broadcast on Channel 22.

**BE AWARE** that infrastructure work may close Poling Blvd for the next few weeks. Folks coming to worship are asked to use Caroline Blvd in approaching the church and park behind the church. All doors are open.

### CHURCH MISSION NEWS

Captain Taylor Perez, captain of the *Global Mercy*, takes his responsibility very seriously as he steers the ship toward its destination of Antwerp, Belgium where it will be outfitted for service in Western Africa in 2022. He has been at the helm of the *Good Samaritan*, the smallest of the Mercy Ships fleet, that served mainly the Caribbean Islands and was also aboard the *Africa Mercy* in 2020. He, and the crew's mission in Senegal, was stopped short of its goal because of the COVID virus.

His career as captain of an AT&T cable ship in the Pacific is proof of his passion for the seas. A few years ago, Captain Perez retired and determined to devote his retirement years to volunteering with **Mercy Ships International**. He followed in the footsteps of his Swedish wife, Marie, who was a volunteer with the pioneer group that served on *The Anastasis*, the first Mercy Ship. She had 11 years of service. Marie passed away in January 2020, leaving Captain Perez, her husband, to carry on her legacy of service for God and people needing medical help worldwide.

**ATTENTION:** Next Sunday night, September 19, 2021, at 7 pm, the Benevolence Committee will present their first "Spotlight on Missions" program for Fall 2021. The focus of that program will be the **Haiti Nursing Foundation**. Please come join us in the PMC Sanctuary to learn more about this important mission. As of Monday afternoon, 9/13, there will be a sign-up sheet available in the HUB and that no more than 30 are permitted to attend.