

# POINT PLEASANT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## **Sermon: “Washington: A Constantly Improving Life”**

**Outdoor and Drive-In (FM 107.9) Worship Service**

*Observing Safe Distancing*

**July 5, 2020 Fifth Sunday of Pentecost**

Please Read All Our Safety Practices

*In order to keep everyone safe we ask that you observe the following guidelines based on Federal & State Protocols for Church Worship Services.*

- **Masks** are strongly encouraged for those on the lawn. Extra masks are available in the box on the Turquoise Table near the front door. Those that cannot wear masks, should sit on the outer north and east sides of the seating area, or in their cars.
- **Safe Distancing**: We will observe safe distancing: no physical contact, handshakes, or hugs. (We will be developing safe ways for greeting each other).
- **Bathrooms** are located in the Hein 1 Building (visible from the front lawn) and the bathrooms accessible from the back Parking Lot (doors are propped open).
- Those using the Drive-In Option: (front parking lot). Tune your radio to FM 107.9.
- The service will be shortened to 45 minutes, and children will remain with their families throughout the service. The service will include a Children’s time and a Children’s Craft and Activities packet (there will not be Sunday School or nursery care.)
- There will be a single use bulletin/song-sheet for the service, with nothing passed from person to person (offering plate, microphone, etc.).
- Tithes and Offerings Receptacles are located near the front door for those sitting on the lawn, and near the entrance of the front parking lot (for Drive-In Option).
- Persons are encouraged to bring chairs or a blanket to sit on; however, there are chairs available (sanitized each week). There is to be 10 feet of separation between each household group on the lawn. For those in cars: six feet of separation between cars.

## Welcome & Announcements

### \*Entry of the Light of Christ

#### Opening Song:

**"America The Beautiful"**

*Hymnal #696*

O beautiful for spacious skies,  
for amber waves of grain;  
for purple mountain majesties  
above the fruited plain!

America! America!

God shed His grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood  
from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for heroes proved  
in liberating strife,  
who more than self their country loved  
And mercy more than life!

America! America!

God mend thine every flaw,  
confirm thy soul in self-control  
Thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for patriot dream  
that sees beyond the years  
thine alabaster cities gleam,  
Undimmed by human tears!

America! America!

God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown they good  
With brotherhood  
from sea to shining sea!

#### \*Call to Worship: *{From Micah 6:8}*

*One: What does the Lord require of you;*

**Many: but to do justice,**

*One: and to love kindness,*

**Many: and to walk humbly with your God.**

**All: We come this Independence Day Sunday with deep gratitude for all the ways  
we have been blessed as a nation, and to be reminded of what God requires of us.**

#### Hymn:

**"Shout to the North"**

*CCLI Song # 1562261*

Verse 1: Men of faith rise up and sing  
Of the great and glorious King  
You are strong when you feel weak  
In your brokenness complete

**Chorus: Shout to the north and the south  
Sing to the east and the west  
Jesus is Savior to all  
Lord of heaven and earth**

Verse 2: Rise up women of the truth  
Stand and sing to broken hearts  
Who can know the healing pow'r  
Of our awesome King of love

Bridge

We've been through fire  
We've been through rain  
We've been refined  
By the pow'r of His name  
We've fallen deeper  
In love with You  
You've burned  
The truth on our lips

Verse 3

Rise up church with broken wings  
Fill this place with songs again  
Of our God who reigns on high  
By His grace again we'll fly

**Scripture:**            Micah 4:1-4 *{George Washington's favorite Scripture which guided him.}*  
In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

**Sermon:**                "Washington: A Constantly Improving Life"

**Three Things that George Washington Overcame in the Course of His Life:**

1. A Violent Temper
2. Excessive Personal Ego, Ambition and Greed
3. Disinterest in the Common Good, Justice and Peace for All People

**A Prayer for Our Country and the Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Hymn      "My Country 'Tis Of Thee"**

*Hymnal #696*

1. My country, 'tis of thee,  
sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;  
land where my fathers died,  
land of the pilgrims' pride,  
from every mountainside let freedom ring!

2. My native country, thee,  
land of the noble free, thy name I love;  
I love thy rocks and rills,  
thy woods and templed hills;  
my heart with rapture thrills, like that above.

3. Let music swell the breeze,  
and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song;  
let mortal tongues awake;  
let all that breathe partake;  
let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

4. Our fathers' God, to thee,  
author of liberty, to thee we sing;  
long may our land be bright  
with freedom's holy light;  
protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

\*Benediction

## **Offering Receptacles are near the Front Door and the Entrance to the Front Parking Lot**

### **Serving in Today's Service**

Audio-Visual Team:	Stephen Bingen, Jeremy Schulz, Mallory Kong, Carl Rand and Ben Harrell	
Welcoming and Set-Up Team	Rick & Chris Huffman, Elaine & Rick Armstrong, Pastor Dave, Barry & Vicki Nicholson, Cliff Shirley, Sue Navest, Carol Rand	
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