

# Worship Celebration

September 11, 2016 — 8:00 am

## Clergy and Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Dave Summers, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Eve Williams, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Andrea Andress, Associate Pastor for Spiritual Formation of Children and Families  
Rev. Brenda Smith, Director, Children's Ministry and Young Adult Ministry  
Christopher Wurpts, Youth Ministries Director  
Dr. Ashley Snavley, Music and Arts Ministries Director and Organist  
Dr. Andria Fennig, Worship Accompanist/Director of Contemporary Worship Arts  
Thomas Strawser, Assistant Music Director and Youth Choir Director

A complete staff listing can be found at [pvumc.org/contact/staff-directory/](http://pvumc.org/contact/staff-directory/)

Ushers: William Hatcher, Madysin Hewitt, Earl & Peggy Northcutt

*Chancel flowers are given by Bill & Peggy Howard  
in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary*



## *The Family I've Always Wanted* "When We Need to Hold On to Each Other"

### Meditation

*There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul  
than the way in which it treats its children.*

— Nelson Mandela



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## Words of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Dave Summers

### Prelude

*Rondo* Diabelli  
Milan Sewell & Dr. Andria Fennig, piano

### \* Call to Worship

Leader: God whispers our names, "Come and worship."  
People: All of us. Young, old, sister, brother, guest, member.  
Leader: God wants us all, the lost and the searching,  
the joyous and the sad.  
People: Here in this place, God's light is shining.  
Christ welcomes us to be the church.  
All: We worship as the family of God.

\* **Hymn of Praise** *O Worship the King vs. 1-3, 5* Hymnal 73

\* **Opening Prayer** (in unison) Christopher Wurpts  
God of heaven and earth, though we often go astray,  
we seek your love and mercy.  
Be our shepherd, and guide our ways,  
for we long to be welcomed to your home. Amen.

### \* Moments of Christian Fellowship

\* **Hymn of Fellowship** *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms v. 1-2*  
Hymnal 133

### Pathways Moment

Dave Hepburn

### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God, you gave us Jesus Christ that we might follow  
him to eternal life; instead, we continue to betray him daily.  
You call us your children, yet we are ungrateful  
and take your gifts for granted.  
You give us each other as sisters and brothers,  
and we fight within our own household.  
Forgive us, Lord, and teach us the true meaning of family.  
Help us to love all your children and to treat others  
with the peace and justice we learn from you. Amen.

*When you see an \* in the order of worship, please stand as you are able.  
Large-print bulletins, Bibles and hymnals are available from the ushers.*

## Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

Leader: In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
People: In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
All: Glory to God. Amen.

*(please fill out and pass the fellowship pads)*

**Anthem** *Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. Sjolund  
Kaitlyn Topp, soloist

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

### Sharing of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

**Offertory** *Beach Spring*  
Krista Coblentz, piano

\* **Doxology** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Hymnal 95

### \* Offertory Prayer

\* **Hymn of Preparation** *Our Parent, by Whose Name* Hymnal 447

**Scripture** Proverbs 29: 3, 15, 17 Maureen Rogers

Leader: God's Word for God's people.  
People: Thanks be to God.

### Sermon

*The Family I've Always Wanted:  
When We Need to Hold On to Each Other*  
Rev. Dr. Dave Summers

\* **Hymn of Commitment** *Where Charity and Love Prevail* vs. 1, 3, 6  
Hymnal 549

### \* Benediction

### \* Postlude