



Deeper in Faith

Week 2
Spiritual Formation for the Here and Now

Presbyterian Church of Okemos

June 28, 2026

At PCO we strive to be a faithful, open, and inclusive community. We welcome the full participation of all people of any age, ability, gender identity, race, ethnicity and sexual orientation.

INVITATION TO OUR SHARED MINISTRY

Pastor Lisa Schrott

PRELUDE

Theme and Adagio on *St. Anne*
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organ

Paul Manz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, Liturgist

One: God alone does great wonders and created our world.

All: God's love endures forever!

One: God led God's people through the wilderness and remembers us in our difficulties.

All: God's love endures forever!

One: Give thanks to God, for God is good.

All: God's love endures forever!

* PRAYER OF THE DAY *(unison)*

Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, Liturgist

Loving God, we experience so many events and interactions every day of our lives that bring things up for us. We feel many emotions and often judge ourselves for what we feel. Help us to be present with you and remember that our emotions are human and given by you, and that we can be compassionate with ourselves. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

*HYMN #687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past, vs. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6
[St. Anne]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Lisa Schrott

One: Psalm 103 tells us that God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Knowing that God shows us mercy, let us confess our sin.

All: Merciful God, we often do not know how to love our neighbors and ourselves as we ought to do. We do not know how to be fully present with you, with ourselves, and with others. We dismiss and suppress our own emotions and those of our neighbors. We frequently have compassion for our neighbors and lack compassion for ourselves. We forget that emotions are part of being human and that feeling our emotions can be beneficial both for our health and in our relationship with you. In your mercy, forgive us. Guide us to be present and lead us in healthy ways of working with our emotions. Help us to be more of who you call us to be every day. Amen.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Lisa Schrott

One: Our God is slow to anger, quick to forgive, and abiding in steadfast love. Believe the Good News this day: in Christ Jesus we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you. *Please greet your fellow worshippers in ways you feel comfortable.*

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, Liturgist

Holy Lord, open our hearts and minds this day that we may both see, and seek, a renewed faith in you through the Word read and your message proclaimed. In Christ's name we pray: Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND TIME OF WONDER

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SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:6-7

Pastor Lisa Schrott

MEDITATION

Deeper in Faith: Being in the Here and Now

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SPECIAL MUSIC

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Julie Boyer, piano

Arr. Janet Vogt

OFFERING

Pastor Lisa Schrott

INVITATION

OFERTORY

Offertory on *Mc Afee*

Arr. Harold DeCou

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** *(unison)*

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Holy One, you bring all things into being. You sustain us with every breath. You inspire all your creations with freedom and love. You redeem us through your son Jesus Christ, and you shower your favor upon us through the many gifts we receive. We lift our thanks and praise to you. Amen.

INVITATION TO OUR SPIRITUAL PRACTICE (see insert)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn #466 *Come and Fill Our Hearts* (sung 3x)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, Liturgist

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN #824**

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest (Near to the Heart of God), vs. 1-3
[Mc Afee]

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

POSTLUDE

The Rejoicing
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organ

G.F. Handel
Arr. Dan Miller

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for June 28, 2026. The purpose of the meeting is to modify Pastor Lisa's Terms of Call to reflect a change in the payment of benefits. The meeting will be in person and via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84065852997>

**Please rise in body/spirit as you are able.*

Ushers: David & Kathi Cook, Ron & Barbara Dorr

Fellowship Time: Thank you to David and Kathi Cook for supplying snacks and to Dave Rumminger for washing the dishes.

Next week: July 5, 2026, Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Scripture: Galatians 5:13-25

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