



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of **MADISON**



August 4, 2024

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost/Communion

ORDER of WORSHIP

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

* Call to Worship (From Ephesians 4: 1-6)

L: Let us live a life worthy of the calling to which we have been called,

P: Let us live with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

L: There is one body and one Spirit,

P: just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,

L: one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

P: one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

L: Let us worship God!

(The music for the hymns is in the back of the bulletin.)

* Opening Hymn

I Am the Bread of Life

(v1, refrain, v4, refrain, v5, refrain)

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us be. Amen.

(A moment of silence is observed.)

Assurance of Pardon

L: Relentlessly God seeks us out.

P: With abundant grace and boundless mercy,

L: God seeks us out.

P: This is good news!

*** Congregational Response**

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Eternal God, your Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible and enlightens us to hear your Word fresh each day. Help us to rely always on your promises in Scripture. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Exodus 16: 2-4; 9-15

2 The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. 3 The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." 4 Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. 9 Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.' " 10 And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. 11 The Lord spoke to Moses, 12 "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.' "

13 In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14 When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Second Scripture Reading

John 6: 24-35

24 So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. 25 When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" 26 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." 28 Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" 29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30 So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31 Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " 32 Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34 They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." 35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Sermon

More

Hymn

The Church of Christ In Every Age

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

(from Colossians 1: 15-20)

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Jesus Christ is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

The Gifts of Our Tithes and Offering

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ all people here below;

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God whom we adore.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Amen!

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts!

P: We lift them to the Lord!

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, Holy, holy! Merciful and Mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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.

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

GOING FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*** Closing Hymn**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
(v1 & v3)

Benediction

***Postlude**

*As our time of worship comes to an end, our time of service begins.
We are the church, sent out in Jesus' name,
to be Christ's body in the world.*

WORSHIP LEADER

Kathleen Underwood

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome Elder Joe Martinoni as our guest pastor today. Joe comes to us from the First Presbyterian Church of Rockaway. He has served as the moderator of the former Presbytery of Newton from 2010-2011. In 2021, he completed a year and a half of work with the Synod of the Northeast, assisting with the New Jersey presbytery transitions. Joe is currently serving on the Committee on Ministry for the Presbytery of the Highlands. Joe spent several years as a PCUSA Inquirer but felt called instead to mid-council ministry (Presbytery, Synod, etc.). However, he still enjoys preaching, which he has been doing since 2008. He and his wife, Wendy, have been married for 33 years and have two adult children, Dan and Emma. He was raised Roman Catholic but converted to Presbyterianism in 1997 when they moved to Rockaway. Joe and Wendy enjoy traveling and never leave home without one of his ukuleles.

MISSION NEWS

SUMMER AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR NORWESCAP TO BENEFIT MADISON STUDENTS

The Family Self-Sufficiency Program of NORWESCAP (Northwest NJ Community Action Partnership, Inc.) is again partnering with the annual Back to School Program sponsored by the Madison Housing Authority to provide school supplies to Madison students whose families are struggling financially.

As we did last year, PCM will help with a portion of the items needed. We will donate:

- 20 - 1" or 1-1/2" binders
- 20 packages of loose leaf notebook paper

A donation bin is located near the church office to leave donated supplies. Items being dropped off at church should be donated between Aug 4 - 18 - the earlier the better! Please consider donating to help Madison students start their 2024/2025 school year with the tools they need to be successful!

I Am the Bread of Life

Leader or All A F#m A C#m

1 "I am the bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that I will give is my
 3 "Un - less you eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion;
 5 Yes, Lord, I be - lieve that

D Esus E

come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man and
 I am the life. If you be -
 you are the Christ, the

A C#m D E/D A C#m

lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat of this bread, you shall live for -
 drink of his blood, and drink of his
 lieve in me, e - ven though you
 Son of God, who has

F#m F#m/E Bm7 E

me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er; you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to the world.

Refrain

All A E A D E

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

and I will raise you up on the last day."

Chord symbols: A, D, Esus, E7, A

THE CHURCH

320 The Church of Christ in Every Age

1 The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -

change but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord: to care for all, with -

her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread Christ's lib - er - at - ing word.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.



**WELCOMING ALL
AS A LOVING COMMUNITY
CENTERED IN CHRIST,
GROWING IN FAITH,
SERVING IN JOY, AND
LIVING IN GRATITUDE**

Staff

Christine Antico
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Michael Callahan
Student Ministries & Outreach

Anna D'Achille
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Worship
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Becky Moody, Clerk

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