



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of **MADISON**



November 3, 2024
All Saints' Day

ORDER of WORSHIP

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

from Psalm 34

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

P: Who made heaven and earth.

L: In life and in death,

P: We belong to God.

*Opening Hymn

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are often indifferent to your will. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, so that we might be joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love in Jesus Christ.

(A moment of silence is observed.)

Assurance of Pardon

L: Friends, believe the good news!

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Congregational Response**

*You alone can rescue,
You alone can save,
You alone can lift us from the grave;
You came down to find us, led us out of death,
To You alone belongs the highest praise,
Amen.*

***Passing of the Peace**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Eternal God, your thoughts are not our thoughts, and your ways are not our ways. Teach us your wisdom so that we might live abundant lives. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

21 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; 4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." 5 And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Second Scripture Reading

John 11:32-44

32 When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." 33 When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. 34 He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." 35 Jesus began to weep. 36 So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" 38 Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." 43 When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Sermon

Grief and Trust

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith**

from Romans 8

If God is for us, who can be against us? Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

No. We believe that in all these things we are more than victorious through Jesus who loved us. For I believe that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Gifts of Our Tithes and Offering

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

Bless His Holy Name

Sanctuary Singers

***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 Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: 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.

***Communion Hymn** *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

***Communion of the People**

Prayer After Communion

GOING FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

***Closing Hymn** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*
(v1, v2, v5)

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 LEADERS

Vlamis Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS' DAY

This week, we will be celebrating All Saints' Day. As part of the prayers, we will be lighting candles and placing a photo or other item on the communion table to commemorate our loved ones who have died.

RAMP News

RAMP will be holding a general meeting on Saturday, November 9, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm, at the Presbyterian Church in Morristown. This is a special opportunity to meet RAMP volunteers and members of RAMP's Board of Trustees. Hear important updates, have a chance to network, learn about ways to get involved and be part of building a 'Bridge to a New Life' for RAMP's refugee families. Registration is requested and can be completed on the RAMP website at rampnj.org. Please continue to save your quarters and drop them in the tube in the narthex each Sunday.

PRAYER LIST

- Former member Carol Sylverstein, recovering from a serious fall
- Steve, grieving the death of his son
- Tammy, undergoing cancer treatment for full and complete healing
- Aida for good outcomes on her current journey
- Loretta for a successful surgery, pain relief, and faith throughout her journey
- Mari's mom, recovering from a stroke and Mari, her caregiver
- Linda who is undergoing cancer surgery
- Evelyn Dowling who is recovering slowly from surgery for tears in her retina
- The Burwell family as they mourn the death of Gar Burwell

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Capo 3: (D) (A7)
 Refrain F C7

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show

(D) (D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D)
 F F/A Gm7 C7 F *Fine*

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.

(D) (Bm) (Em) (A)
 F Dm Gm C

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
 3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'

(D) (Bm) (Em7) (A7) (D)
 F Dm Gm7 C7 F *to Refrain*

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 race; neigh-bors are near us and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
 feet; this is the way we should live like you.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

NOTES

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

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WORSHIP
Sunday Service 10:15 am

SESSION

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