

3rd Sunday after Pentecost June 21, 2020

PRELUDE

"All Creatures of our God and King"

Dr. Brenda Clark
GERALD PETERSON

WELCOME

Rev. Rachel Vione

OPENING PRAYER

Elder Stephanie Lee

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Our God is a God of compassion and mercy,
slow to get angry,
and filled with unfailing love and faithfulness.
So come, let us worship God together.
For great is God's love toward us!
Let us joyfully worship Jesus Christ!

*HYMN NO. 12

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

ST. DENIO

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but naught changeth Thee.
4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; oh, help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

from Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me from Your presence, and do not take Your holy spirit from me.

silent prayers of confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news!

Christ died for us,

Christ rose for us,

Christ reigns in power for us,

Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Hear and believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

Thanks be to God! Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 10:26-39

MEDITATION

Rev. Rachel Vione

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

(Confession of Belhar – 10.7)

We believe... that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right; that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream; that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.

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ANTHEM *Show a Little Kindness* JOHN PETERSON
Dana Warren, Marie Michalopoulos Warren, Andrew Warren, Ariana Warren

*DOXOLOGY Hymn No. 606 OLD HUNDRETH

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

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.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *"Postlude on St. Denio"* GORDON YOUNG

Please pray for members and friends of our congregation

For those who have given their lives in service to our country,
all those who are suffering as a result of the coronavirus, essential employees who go to
work so we can be safe and healthy, those who are persecuted for their faith, those who
protest peacefully, John Bailey (David Dickman's cousin), Vivian Holm (Ginny
Kranenberg's sister-in-law). Janice Haas (Janeen Crowley's aunt), Anthony Penfold
(Kim Gilbert's father), Florence D'Amico (Anita Stambouly's mother), Christine Heaton

(Anita Stambouly's sister), Justin Yoskowitz, the Pastor Nominating Committee, Aaron Thomas, Bob White, Art Shaw, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), Charlene Cosman, **the family of:** Steve Siegmann, Rev. Timothy Hoyt Duncan, Lois Philipp (Pastor Rachel's mother), Peter Greene, (Melissa Barasch's brother), Ken Landi, **those in Healthcare facilities-** Atria: Ann Deery, **our partner congregations:** Nueva Paz, Cuba and Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida, Malverne; the Presbytery of Long Island and its staff; the Synod of the Northeast, the Presbyterian Church (USA), its Louisville staff, its missionaries worldwide.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please email Pastor Rachel at rvione@fpcnorthport.org

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