

COMMUNION SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

July 7, 2024

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Men's Breakfast at Robin Hood, Wednesday (7/10) at 8:30 AM.

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: The prophets of old spoke of God's justice, even when it was unwelcome. Who will hear their message?

MANY: We will listen and we will hear!

ONE: Responding to God's call, Jesus traveled, preaching and teaching all who would listen. Who will hear his message?

MANY: We will listen and we will hear!

ONE: Christ sent out disciples two by two, to spread the good news in any place that would welcome them. Who will hear their message?

MANY: We will listen and we will hear!

ONE: God's prophets are among us still, around the world and in these pews. Who will hear their message?

MANY: We will listen and we will hear!

HYMN

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

Arise, your light is come!

The Spirit's call obey;

Show forth the glory of your God,

Which shines on you today.

**Arise, your light is come!
Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captives' liberty,
Good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light is come!
All you in sorrow born,
Bind up the broken-hearted ones
And comfort those who mourn.**

**Arise, your light is come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing;
God's power will make us strong.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

VISUAL LITURGY

Ezekiel 2:1-5

SPOKEN WORD

Mark 6:1-6

SERMON

What We Refuse to Hear

Rev. Judith A. Dwyer

THE OFFERING

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MUSICAL MEDITATION *(Jes Stehr)*

Hold On to Me



Daigle

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation (Sung) HYMN

Come to the Table of Grace

TABLE OF GRACE

Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of peace.

Come to the table of peace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of peace.

Come to the table of love.

Come to the table of love.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of love.

Come to the table of hope.

Come to the table of hope.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of hope.

Come to the table of joy.

Come to the table of joy.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of joy.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

... Let us rise and sing together the Lord's Prayer:

HYMN

The Lord's Prayer (Sung):

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as 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

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

MATERNA

O beautiful for spacious skies,

For amber waves of grain,

For purple mountain majesties

Above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed his grace on thee,

And crown thy good with brotherhood

From sea to shining sea!

**O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw;
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!**

**O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America! May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine!**

BENEDICTION

Whoever welcomes you welcomes me.

Quench our thirst for love,

Satisfy our need to be known,

Assure us that we are indeed prophets of welcome.

Let us go to proclaim this peace in God's name.

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES:

We thank **Jes Stehr** for her musical contribution this morning.

The **Call to Worship** is written by the Rev. Dr. Laurel Koepf Taylor. Posted on the United Church of Christ *Worship Ways* website. <http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways>.

The **Visual Liturgy** is posted on *The Work of The People* at www.theworkofthepeople.com.

The **Pastoral Prayer** is written by Steve Garnaas-Holmes and posted on *Unfolding Light*: www.unfoldinglight.net.

The **Benediction** is written by the Rev. Elsa A. Cook, an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. She writes liturgies and shares her thoughts on <https://cookingwithelsa.org>.

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