

WORSHIP SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Worship in the Style of a Hymn-Sing*

June 2, 2024

10:00 AM

PRE-SERVICE HYMN SING

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

ASSURANCE

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

**This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

**This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.**

**This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.**

HYMN

He Lives

ACKLEY

**I serve a risen Savior,
He's in the world today;
I know that He is living,
Whatever men may say;
I see His hand of mercy,
I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him,
He's always near.**

**He lives, He lives,
Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives,
Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.**

**In all the world around me
I see His loving care,
And tho' my heart grows weary,
I never will despair;
I know that He is leading
Thro' all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing
Will come at last.**

**He lives, He lives,
Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives,
Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian,
Lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs
To Jesus Christ the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him,
The Help of all who find,
None other is so loving,
So good and kind.**

**He lives, He lives,
Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives,
Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.**

HYMN

In the Garden

GARDEN

**I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.**

**And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.**

**He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing.**

**And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.**

**I'd stay in the garden with Him,
Tho the night all around me is falling;
But He bids me go; thru the voice of woe,
His voice to me is calling.**

**And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.**

HYMN

How Great Thou Art

HOW GREAT THOU ART

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And then proclaim, “My God, how great thou art!”**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

PRELUDE

Duke Street Meditation

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Christian Life Groups, today following the worship service.
- Mission Committee, Wednesday (6/5) at 10 AM.
- Communion Service, next Sunday (6/9) at 10 AM.
- Strawberry Festival Potluck, Sunday (6/30) at 11:30 AM.
Sign-up sheet in the narthex.

CALL TO WORSHIP SONG

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

Come, Christians, join to sing:

Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King:

Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice,

Before his throne rejoice;

Praise is his gracious choice:

Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high:

Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky:

Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend;

To us he'll condescend;

His love shall never end:

Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again:

Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain:

Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore

His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore:

Alleluia! Amen!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (CHOIR)

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

LIEBSTER JESU

Blessed Jesus, at your word

We are gathered all to hear you.

Let our hearts and souls be stirred

Now to seek and love and fear you.

By your gospel pure and holy,

Teach us, Lord, to love you solely.

*Glorious Lord, yourself impart;
Light of Light, from God proceeding,
Open lips and ears and heart;
Help us by your Spirit's leading.
Hear the cry your church now raises;
Lord, accept our prayers and praises.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11

HYMN

Morning Has Broken

BUNESSAN

Morning has broken like the first morning;

Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation; praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 6:24-34

REFLECTION

A Reflection on Ordinary Time

by Jan Richardson

HYMN

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

SPARROW

Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home,

When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is he:

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free;

For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

**“Let not your heart be troubled,” his tender word I hear,
And resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
Though by the path he leadeth but one step I may see:
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

I sing because I’m happy, I sing because I’m free;
For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.**

**Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,
When songs give place to sighing, when hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to him; from care he sets me free:
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.
I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free;
For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.**

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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OFFERTORY



DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

... Together now, we boldly pray the prayer your Son taught his followers to pray, saying:

Our Father who 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided:
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided:
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!**

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided:
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

BLESSING

Blessing the Ordinary

By Jan Richardson

HYMN

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.**

POSTLUDE

Postlude on 'Lobe den Herren'

CLG Questions: *Matthew 6:24-34 and Ordinary Time*

1. All of us know that the worst thing you can say to a worrier is “Don’t worry.” So, Jesus moves from this imperative to something greater: our seeking of God’s reign in this world. If we in our country and in our congregations began to worry over feeding and clothing all the creatures on this earth, might some of our own worries subside? We know scientifically what Jesus taught practically. Not only can worry not add to our lifespan, but chronic worry and stress can shorten our lifespan — as individuals, as congregations, as countries. Turning our attention toward something greater and more reliable, the coming of the Kingdom of God, leads to spiritual, emotional and physical health. We would do well to ask if there is there such a thing as worrying over the right things versus the wrong?
2. Ordinary time gives us the opportunity to consider why our congregation does what it does. Is there a deeper meaning to a regular event than most people generally know about?
3. For a congregation whose date of charter falls within the season, as ours does, the Sunday closest in Ordinary Time might provide an occasion for rehearsing the faith community’s story. What are the stories of NPC that need to be told and heard?
4. The Post-Pentecost Church was about community helping one another. How might we spend these summer months in mission and/or hearing from local organizations that are helping neighbors?

WORSHIP NOTES:

“Thank you” to Andy Chen for leading the worship service this morning while Pastor Judy is away.

Pastor Judy will be participating in a Travel Study Seminar with the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program thru June 6th. The seminar will explore the legacies and lessons of the Civil Rights Movement in the US South by way of a pilgrimage to Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma, Jackson, the Mississippi Delta and Memphis.

The **Call to Worship** is written by Richard Bott (revised slightly), and posted on Sharing Liturgy.

<http://liturgy.richardbott.com>

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