



THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ON THE HILL

SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2017 ~ 10:15AM
6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

In Preparation (*Please meditate silently.*)

“To say it again, eternal life is less about a kind of time that starts when we die, and more about a quality and vitality of life now in connection to God. Eternal life doesn't start when we die; it starts now. It's not about a life that begins at death; it's about experiencing the kind of life now that can endure and survive even death.” ~ Rob Bell

I think faith is the small mustard seed of opportunities every day. For example, 'Am I going to love this person? Am I going to share my faith with this person? Am I going to pray that little prayer?' It really is a daily thing where you seize those little mustard seed opportunities and then see what God does. ~Mark Batterson

Peace Prayer

Prelude **“The Solid Rock”** *arr. Lloyd Larson*

Introit **“My Life Is in You, Lord”** *Dan Gardner*

My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you Lord,
my hope is in you, Lord; in you, it's in you.
I will praise you with all of my life,
I will praise you with all of my strength;
All of my hope is in you.

Call to Worship *Isaiah 40:28-31*

Do you not know? Have you not heard?
**The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends
of the earth.**

The Lord will not grow tired or weary, and His understanding
no one can fathom.

The Lord gives strength to the weary and increases the

power of the weak.

Even youths grow tired and weary, and they stumble and fall;
but those who hope in the Lord will renew their

They will soar on wings like eagles;
**they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not
be faint.**

▲ Hymn No. 353 **“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”** *Solid Rock*

▲ The Invocation and **The Lord's Prayer** (*unison*)

***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.***

Silent Confession

O Lord, hear our personal prayers as we admit to our sins;
hear our silent confession:

Affirmation of Faith (**unison**) *-based on Psalm 71*

**We believe that God is our rock and our fortress, a deliverer
who delights in coming to the aid of those who seek the
Lord.**

**We believe that God is always moving the world toward
justice and righteousness and that we are invited to be
agents of that movement.**

**We believe that God is faithful and patient. God does not
give up on us or on anything he created.**

**We believe that God is near, always present in our troubles,
sadness, loneliness, disaster and fear.**

**We place our hope in God because God alone is completely
holy, trustworthy and true.**

Thanks be to God, our rock and our redeemer! Amen.

Song of Assurance No. 444

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive” *Detroit*

Life on the Hill

☼ Today (Sept. 24): ✠ WORSHIP 8:30am & 10:15am

11:45am New Members Inquiry Gathering

☀ Wednesday (Sept. 27): 7pm Session

☀ Thursday (Sept. 28): 9:30am Rachel Circle

9:30-11am Moms & Young Gals

11:30am-12:45pm Adult Study

~~6-7:30pm Confirmation~~ CANCELED

7:30pm Chancel Choir

☀ Next Sunday (Oct. 1): ✝ WORSHIP 8:30am & 10:15am

Holy Communion

9:40am Congregational Choir

☺ Children and Youth will exit to Sunday school ☺

Anthem **“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”** *Maurice Bevan*

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy like the wideness of the sea;
there’s a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth’s sorrows are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth’s failings have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader than the measure of man’s mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

But we make his love too narrow by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness with a zeal He will not own.

There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh direction in that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple, we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be all gladness in the joy of Christ our Lord.

F. W. Faber

Chancel Choir

Michael Compoly, Marilyn Dicken, Otto Eickmeyer, Hilary Epstein, Ed Fix, Bernice Gangavare, JP Hanly, Nancy Kinaszuk, Barbara Lofthouse, Isaiah Mason, Bob Morris, Cheryl Schmidt, Randy Stolze, Judy Turner, Marcia Turpin

Welcome our new soprano is **Sandy Papp**. *Sandy lives in Tinton Falls and teaches music in the Middletown public school system.*

Scripture

Matthew 20:1-16NIV (pew Bible, p. 21)

Deacon Robin Compoly



¹ “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ² He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

³ “About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. ⁴ He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ ⁵ So they went.

“He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. ⁶ About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’

⁷ “‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered.

“He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’

⁸ “When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’

⁹ “The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. ¹⁰ So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. ¹² “These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’

¹³ “But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius?’ ¹⁴ Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. ¹⁵ Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

¹⁶ “So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Presenting Our Gifts

Offertory

“Hymn of Promise”

arr. John Ferguson

▲ Doxology No. 609

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow’r uplifts!

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

▲ Passing of the Peace and Greeting One Another

Hymn of Preparation No. 435

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” *In Babilone*

Message **“God’s Complaint Department”** *Pastor Turner*
(It’s Not Fair)

“So the last will be first, and the first will be last.” Matthew 20:16

Prayers of the People

▲ Hymn No. 541

“God Be with You Till We Meet Again” *Randolph*

▲ Benediction

▲ Postlude **“In Babilone”** *arr. Wilbur Held*

(▲ All who are able, please stand.)

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We sincerely welcome all who have come to worship the Creator of us all. As brothers and sisters, let us give evidence that we belong to the family of God. Extend the hand of friendship to those around you, and be grateful for the gift of friends and family. If you are in need of pastoral care or perhaps a listening ear, please speak to Pastor Turner, or one of our Elders, Deacons, or Stephen Ministers.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God in Honor of Pastor Turner and the kindness of the people of PCOH by Carmine and Lynda Magnotta.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God in Loving Memory of Jo-Ann White by her children ~ Sue, Jennifer & Willy.

Serving Today

† **Greeter:** Jackie Colin

† **Ushers:** TEAM 3 Ed Kelsey, Capt., Jan Coppola, Del Kunert, Pat Meyers, George Woodnorth

† **Flower Duty:** Judy Quitne, Buffy Zazzo

† **Trustee Duty:** Rick Degurski, Michael Compoly

† **Fellowship Time:** Chancel Choir



**Life on the Hill Notes
September 24th**

NURSERY

TODAY

Jean Brown. Megan Zarodnansky

Oct. 1 Judy Turner, Jamie Johnson

Oct. 8 (NEED TWO) Jamie Montero _____

Oct. 15 _____ **Oct. 22** _____



Children & Youth Team Leaders

Today

October 1

Pre-k & Kindergarten

(brick classroom)

Shirley Carle
Stephanie Toth

Jessica Compoly
Cheryl Schleuss

1st – 5th Grade

(fellowship hall)

Judy Quitne
Sherri Ryan

Carol Cox
Laura Ransom

Anne Pagnoni
Sandy Pristas

6th – 12th Grade
(youth room)

No Sunday School
Holy Communion



MUSIC NOTES
FROM DR. JEFF

NEXT SUNDAY – OCT. 1
Holy Communion &
Congregational Choir
(rehearsal 9:40am~Sun.)



CONFIRMATION MEETINGS

THURSDAY – Oct. 12, 26 6-7:30PM

ADULT FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

September 28 – THURSDAY

Mom's & Young Gals

9:30am - **Corner Classroom**

see Lisa Keller for details

childcare provided

DAYTIME ADULT FELLOWSHIP

11:30am-12:45pm **Fellowship Hall** w/ Lunch

see Pastor Turner for details



NEW MEMBERS INQUIRY GATHERING

TODAY 11:40am-12:30pm

CORNER CLASSROOM - downstairs

8:30am Contemporary Praise Services

SUNDAYS Oct. 1, 8, 29

Nov. 5, 12, 26 -- Dec. 3, 10



**When you are shopping, please remember to
TRINITY NEEDS FOOD**



**When you are cooking, please remember that:
THE CENTER NEEDS MEALS**



TRINITY FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

PCOH members and friends volunteer regularly at the Last Resort Food Pantry at Trinity Episcopal Church in Asbury Park and have been doing so for many years. One of the principal volunteer opportunities is to be there from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday or Friday (once per month) to stock shelves and help with food distribution. Please let Buffy Zazzo know (732-222-7636) if you want to be added to the list or chat with her if you have questions.



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