



The Presbyterian Church on the Hill
Seventh Sunday of Easter
June 2, 2019

WE GATHER TOGETHER

In Preparation *(Thought for Silent Reflection)*

"Worship is giving God the best that He has given you."
- Oswald Chambers

Youth will remain in Worship

CHIMES

PRELUDE

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

arr. Douglas Wagner

As we gather together in the sanctuary, please listen to the music and spend time in silent reflection in preparation for worship.

Our Liturgist this morning is Sharon Fix

CALL TO WORSHIP

- Leader: God rules over all creation, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!
- People: **The heavens proclaim God's righteousness; and all the people behold God's glory.**
- Leader: For you, O God, are the most high over all the earth; You are exalted far above all gods.
- People: **Let us rejoice in the Lord and give thanks to God's holy name!**
- Leader: Let us worship God!

UNISON GATHERING PRAYER

Creator God, You have molded and shaped the earth to be filled with life, and You have molded and shaped us to be filled with your love. Create in us new hearts when they become stagnant and hardened by the world we have built. Unmake the hurt, the anger, the hate that can fill and consume us, and instead make us new, open to your love, trust, and assurance. In Christ, who has come to show us your love in the way we know best, in our own human life, we give thanks and praise. Amen.

▲ HYMN No. 286 **"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"** *Trentbam*

▲ CALL TO CONFESSION

▲ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Creator and Judge of all, you made us to enjoy open fellowship, both with yourself and with one another. As the Son and the Father are One, so we are created to live together in perfect unity. Yet we have rebelled against your authority, and have turned against one another. In mercy, forgive us, and spare us our due judgment. Fill us anew with your Spirit, that we would richly manifest your rule of righteousness, peace, and joy; so enable us to walk rightly before you, in loving unity with one another, fulfilling your good and holy purpose for us.

Silent prayers of confession.

▲ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ PASSING OF THE PEACE

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMN No. 232

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Easter Hymn

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God’s love, Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

Life on the Hill

Today (June 2): ✠ WORSHIP with Holy Communion 10:15am

Next Sunday ✠ WORSHIP 10:15am

Passing of the RED PAD: The person sitting in the pew closest to the center aisle fills out the RED PAD, then passes it down the pew so that each family would do the same. THEN, pass it back so that we can put names and faces together.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Dismiss all Children through 5th Grade

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD



First Scripture Reading

Psalm 97 (NRSV)

The Glory of God’s Reign

¹The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!

²Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

³Fire goes before him,
and consumes his adversaries on every side.

⁴His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.

⁵The mountains melt like wax before the LORD,
before the Lord of all the earth.

⁶The heavens proclaim his righteousness;
and all the peoples behold his glory.

⁷All worshipers of images are put to shame,
those who make their boast in worthless idols;
all gods bow down before him.

⁸Zion hears and is glad,
and the towns^[a] of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O God.

⁹For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰The LORD loves those who hate^[b] evil;
he guards the lives of his faithful;
he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

¹¹Light dawns^[c] for the righteous,
and joy for the upright in heart.

¹²Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name!

ANTHEM “**We Come as Guests Invited**” *Johann Steurlein (1575)*
Congregational Choir

We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine,
his friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;
the bread of life is broken; the wine is freely poured
for us, in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need,
and in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed;
with wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end
we find in Jesus living our ever-present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine,
our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine:
Renewed, sustained, and gives by token, sign and word
the pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

Timothy Dudley-Smith

Second Scripture Reading

John 17:20-26 (NRSV)

²⁰“I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us,^[4] so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

SERMON “Jesus Prays for Unity”

Rev. Jessica Malek

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(The Apostle’s Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

▲ HYMN No. 300

“We Are One in the Spirit”

They’ll Know We Are Christians

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY

“O Worship the King”

arr. John Carter

▲ DOXOLOGY – HYMN No. 609 – “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God be with you
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to God.
Let us praise God together.
Let us give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Sharing the Bread* and Cup

**(The bread in the small cup is gluten free.)*

Let us partake together, when all are served.

Music at Communion:

“I Will Arise and Go to Jesus” arr. Heather Sorenson
“Lord of the Dance” arr. Douglas Wagner

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
**and all that is within me,
bless God’s holy name!**
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all God’s benefits

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life, and renewed us for your service. We give ourselves to you, and ask that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom. May our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to say praying:

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.

▲ HYMN No. 450 **“Be Thou My Vision”** *Slane*

▲ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

▲ POSTLUDE **“Slane”** *arr. Noel Ravsthorne*

**Indicates when, if you are able, the congregation stands.*

Our worship has ended – now our service begins.

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 one of our Elders, Deacons, or Stephen Ministers.

□
LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN ED. & NURTURE

Dr. Jeff Unger, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST

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Sharon Fix, CLERK OF SESSION

Jamie Montero, HEAD USHER

Deanne Nirider & Rick Degurski,

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Michael Compoly, TREASURER

Robin Compoly, DEACON MODERATOR

Jackie Colin, ADMIN. ASSISTANT/OFFICE SUPERVISOR

Letitia Jensen, WORSHIP PREPARATION COORDINATOR

Bill Turner, PASTOR – HONORABLY RETIRED

The Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in appreciation for all the volunteers who have signed up to help with Family Promise this week as well as those who worked yesterday at the Saturday Soup Kitchen. Many thanks from the Mission Community.

Rev. Jessica Malek

Rev. Malek is currently a Hospice Chaplain for Valley Home Care in Paramus and also the Parish Associate at First Presbyterian Church in Freehold where she grew up. She has also served churches in Fanwood, NJ and Pink Hill, NC. She is married to Sam and has a daughter, Alannah, and 2 stepdaughters, Mary and Sara.

Serving Today

‡ **Greeter:** Linda Klose

‡ **Ushers:** Team 1: Rick Degurski, Capt., Jon Black. Helen Brandstetter, Jackie Colin, Chris Tobin

† **Flower Duty:** Robin Compoly, Giselle McCormick
 † **Trustee Duty:** Maureen Bonney, Deanne Nirider
 † **Fellowship Host:** Deanne Nirider
 † **Worship Prep:** 6/01 – Laura & Ed Kelsey, 6/08 – Diana & Tom Griffith
 † **Communion Setup:** Gee McCormick, Meghan Pringle
 † **Communion Cleanup:** Jamie Montero, Shirley Carle
 † **Elders and Deacons Serving Communion:** Letitia Jensen, Captain, Linda Klose, Janet Lee, Pat Lee
 † **Deacons Serving Communion to Contacts:** Pat Lee, Carol Cox, Connie Perry, Shirley Carle, Giselle McCormick, Robin Compoly, Randy Stolze
 † **Contacts Receiving Communion:** Barbara Sicherman, Ginny Akelaitis, Mary Galyean, Asela Gejo, Diane Foye, Jim Isacson, Bill Weller



Sign Up Sheets

(posted on rear table in sanctuary)



Fellowship Time Hosts



Liturgists



Greeters

Life on the Hill Notes

June 2nd



PCOH NURSERY

TODAY

Jean Brown, Jamie Montero

June 9 Elda Gall, Connie Perry June 16 _____
 June 23 _____ June 30 _____



The Ministry of Flowers



The 2019 Flower Chart is posted outside the Office. Lots of empty spaces! If you would like flowers in the sanctuary for a particular Sunday please sign up. Cost: \$45.00. Questions? Please speak with one of the Deacons. Are you aware that our Deacons deliver the flowers to our shut-ins and hospitalized folks with our prayers and concern every Sunday?



Music Notes from Dr. Jeff

Thanks to all the volunteer singers in the Congregational Choir this morning.



Children & Youth Team Leaders

Today

Shirley Carle
Stephanie Toth

Carol Cox
Sherri Ryan

No Sunday School
Communion

Pre-k & Kindergarten
(brick classroom)

1st – 5th Grade
(fellowship hall)

6th – 12th Grade
(youth room)

June 9

Jessica Pursell
Cheryl Schleuss

Meghan Pringle
Laura Morales

No Sunday
School



*When you are shopping,
please remember that:
Trinity Needs Food*
*When you are cooking,
please remember that:
The Center Needs Meals*



“CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE”

If you, or a neighbor, co-worker or friend could benefit from the trained, caring presence and listening ear of a Stephen Minister, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders: Deanne Nirider (281/744-1054) or Rick Degurski (908/309-2378).

Community Mission Partnership

Trinity Church – Saturday Soup Kitchen

GOING GREEN

Trinity's Saturday Soup Kitchen, a supported mission of PCOH, has decided to "go green". They are collecting metal utensils (forks, knives, spoons) to replace the plastic utensils used weekly. If you have metal utensils that you're not using anymore and you would like to donate them to Trinity, you can place them in the bin at the back of the church or drop them off directly at Trinity Church, 503 Asbury Avenue, Asbury Park.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers for Saturday Soup Kitchen at Trinity Episcopal Church on June 29. Please join a small group from PCOH that assists in food preparation, set up, serving and clean up from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. A sign-up sheet is in the rear of the church. Any questions, please contact Holly Hansen at 848/466-0284.

Transition On The Hill

With the departure of Rev. Packard, we are again in search of an interim pastor to lead us during our process of discernment and to the call of a new pastor. Your Session is currently working with our Presbytery in search of a new interim. Until an interim has been selected, guest preachers will be filling our pulpit.

If you are in need of pastoral care, please call the church office and speak with Jackie or press 12 when prompted and leave a message. Any other questions, comments or concerns about this process, please reach out to one of your Session members. As always, your Session welcomes your input.

“CHURCH ON THE HILL is a diverse, inclusive community of God’s people whose faith is led by the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. We welcome, love, and empower all persons to become constructive, affirming thinkers, filled with hope, making a difference in the world. Armed with forgiveness and understanding in the knowledge that “God alone is Lord of the conscience” (Historical Principles), we will move forward in an ever changing culture and world.

□ **FAITH** □ **LOVE** □ **HOPE** □ **FORGIVENESS** □ **UNDERSTANDING** □

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