

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY

Rev. Lynne D. Trout, Director of Senior Ministries
Greg DiBona, Music Director, Office Administrator



9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 AM

August 7, 2022

PRELUDE

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 107

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

People: Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story— those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,

Leader: those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.

People: Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle.

Leader: They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away.

People: Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Leader: He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle.

People: Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind.

HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Mary Lou Newborg

The vision concerning Judah and Jerusalem that Isaiah son of Amoz saw during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom; listen to the instruction of our God, you people of Gomorrah! "The multitude of your sacrifices— what are they to me?" says the LORD. "I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats.

When you come to appear before me, who has asked this of you, this trampling of my courts?

Stop bringing meaningless offerings! Your incense is detestable to me. New Moons, Sabbaths and convocations— I cannot bear your worthless assemblies. Your New Moon feasts and your appointed festivals I hate with all my being. They have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them.

When you spread out your hands in prayer, I hide my eyes from you; even when you offer many prayers, I am not listening. Your hands are full of blood! Wash and make yourselves clean. Take your evil deeds out of my sight; stop doing wrong.

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow. "Come now, let us settle the matter," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good things of the land; but if you resist and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword." For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Here I Am To Worship

arr. Mark Hayes

SERMON

"Listen and Stop"

Rev. Lynne Trout

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

HYMN

Break Thou the Bread of Life

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INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: Eternal God, holy and mighty,
it is truly right and our greatest joy
to give you thanks and praise,
and to worship you in every place where your glory abides.

Unison: In fulfillment of Christ's promise, you poured out the Holy Spirit upon the chosen disciples and filled the church with power. You revealed your glory as the glory also of your son and of the Holy Spirit, Three persons, equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, to be worshipped and adored in your eternal glory. We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, great Trinity of power and love, our God, forever and ever.

Pastor: Therefore, we praise you,
joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the
faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: You are holy, O God of majesty,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

People: **You sent your only-begotten,
in whom your fullness dwells
to be for us the way, the truth, and
the life.**

Pastor: Revealing your love
Jesus taught those who would hear him,
healed those who believed in him,
received all who sought him
and lifted the burden of their sin.

People: **We glorify you for your great power and love at work
in Christ.**

Unison: **By the baptism of his suffering, death, and
resurrection,
you gave birth to your church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and
death,
and made us a new people by
water and the Spirit.**

Pastor: Great is the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Prayers of the People/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.

Words of Institution

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in this world. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever more. Amen

HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

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MIZPAH BENECTION

Genesis 31: 49
(in unison)

The Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from the other.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS presented to the Glory of God by the Rosica Family in gratitude to the congregation at Covenant for their great participation in our services and programs.

MINISTERS: Scott and Donna Scioli (Ushers), Ann Rosica (Flower Delivery), Janette Hutchinson (Chancel)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. CHRISTIAN CARING CENTER

Non-perishable food items may be brought the 1st Sunday of the month and placed in the narthex. Thank you for your continued generosity.

2. RELAY FOR LIFE

On September 24th, 2022 Covenant will be participating in Cinnaminson's Relay for Life. We had a great turn out last year and enjoyed the fellowship during the event. We would love for you to join our team! We will be fundraising to provide much needed money towards cancer research and patient services. The COVID-19 pandemic has made this need even greater. We hope that you can join us in representing Covenant to the community and providing support to those whose lives have been impacted by cancer. Please use the links to sign up, and contact Mandy or Julia with any questions. Thanks! You can visit the web address:

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?px=57213835&pg=personal&fr_id=102642&s_locale=en_US&et=DrEXFrxFamxw_iObpvvAkfWb5RSXcdfW3wUT22oJpIEjKd-HMNj9Q

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3. WOMEN'S FALL TEA AND BASKET RAFFLE! Saturday October 15th, 2022. Doors open at 1 PM. Tea service begins at 1:30 PM Ticket sales begin September 4th. Tickets \$20.

4. STEWARDSHIP: Total Income for 7/31: \$1385.00; Envelope Giving: \$885.00; Deacons Fund: \$225.00; Capital Improvement Fund: \$120.00

5. VOLUNTEER FOR NURSERY

We might not have the need every Sunday, but we're hoping to have a list of people that are willing to help in the nursery during the church service, if needed. Anyone willing to volunteer can contact either Bonnie Cain or Amanda Rosica at bcain117@comcast.net or amanda_rosica@yahoo.com.

6. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS NEEDED! Members are invited to participate in our services. Please let Bonnie Cain or Greg DiBona know if you are interested in reading scripture or leading our worship services.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SCHEDULES

Choir Rehearsal - Summer Break, resuming in the Fall

Bell Rehearsal - Occasional rehearsals for bell quartets, Sunday morning, 11:00 AM

Christian Education (Bonnie Cain and Amanda Rosica) - as needed

Deacons - 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Fellowship (Amanda Rosica) - 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) - 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Men's Breakfast - Tuesdays, 7:00 AM

Membership (Nancy Perritt) - as needed

Mission (Dave Sutton) - as needed

Music and Worship (Leslie Todd) - as needed

Property Care (Chuck Rosica) - determined by chairperson

Session - 4th Thursday, 7:30 PM

Prayer List



Thankful and joyful prayers for Mike Martin who gave a great sermon last week, and for Dave Sutton for reading scripture. Prayers of gratitude for the wonderful guest pastors and members participating in our services.

Continue to pray for all COVID patients and those who are ill. Keep all caregivers close to your hearts as they tend to the sick.

Prayers for Ukraine, all of our elected officials, men and women in uniform, and for peace in our communities, country, and world.

Our prayers for Covenant members and friends:

Diane Steel and family as they grieve the loss of Bob Steel

Carol Ortlip - currently in Medford Leas in physical therapy to gain strength and balance

Pastor Lynne - keeping well and getting rest and return of energy and comfort as she thinks of Rick

Carol Grunigen - return to good health following COVID

Emily Minieri - experiencing less stress and able to rest comfortably and appreciation for her parents

Cancer patients:

Dawn - recovery from surgery for her cancer

Terri Bell - excellent care and strength for Ken as he takes care of her

Dave - doing well

Bruce - feeling better and will have procedure soon to determine care for pancreas problems

Marilyn Davidoff - quality care living in Tennessee with family and recovery for Eugene from health concerns

Emily Busby - quality care in nursing facility

Peggie Massey – quality care living in Texas



62 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

"Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory . . ." 1 Tim. 1:17

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish - but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

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Blessed Lord, you have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Book of Common Prayer, alt.

Break Thou the Bread of Life 315

... and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Mk. 6:41

1. Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst
 2. Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me, as thou didst
 3. Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me, thy ho - ly
 4. O send thy Spir - it, Lord, now un - to me, that he may

break the loaves be - side the sea; be - yond the sa - cred page
 bless the bread by Gal - i - lee; then shall all bond-age cease,
 Word the truth that sav - eth me; give me to eat and live
 touch my eyes and make me see: show me the truth con-cealed

I seek thee, Lord, my spir - it pants for thee, O liv - ing Word.
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All in all.
 with thee a - bove; teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.
 with - in thy Word, and in thy Book re - vealed I see thee, Lord.

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When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. Mt. 17:8

Unison

1. Be thou my Vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my Wis - dom, and thou my true Word, I ev - er
 3. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought, by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou on - ly,
 heav-en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what-

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 first in my heart, high King of heav - en, my Treas - ure thou art.
 ev - er be - fall, still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

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MUSIC: Traditional Irish melody; arr. Donald P. Hustad, 1973

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I thank my God every time I remember you, . . . being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with