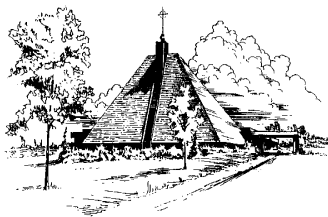


COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY



7th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 AM

July 16, 2023

PRELUDE

Canon in D

Pachelbel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carol Lovell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 65:1-8

Leader: Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled.

People: You who answer prayer, to you all people will come.

Leader: When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions.

People: Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple.

Leader: You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds, God our Savior, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas, who formed the mountains by your power, having armed yourself with strength, who stilled the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the turmoil of the nations.

People: The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Sing Praise to God Who reigns Above

#50

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from ~ 1 Cor. 15:1-6; Matt. 16:16; Rev. 22:13; John 20:28.*

*This is the Good News that we have received,
In which we stand and by which we are saved if we hold it fast:
That Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,
That he was buried, that he was raised on the third day,
And that he appeared first to the women and to Peter,
And to the twelve and to many faithful witnesses.
We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
He is our Lord and our God. Amen.*

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 3:23-29

Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. So, the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian. So, in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor

Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Lullaby for Ashley

May

BAPTISM OF ADRIAN ANDRES-JOHN CAO

DECLARATIONS

Elder: As the Apostle Peter reminds us that "the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call," so, we're here, in response to the Lord's call & confident in His promises, to baptize those whom the Lord loves & calls to come to Him.

Pastor: In baptism, God claims us as His own, and seals us to demonstrate that we are His. By His grace, God frees us from sin and death, uniting us with Jesus Christ in His death & resurrection.

By water & the Holy Spirit, we become members of the church, the body of Christ, the family of God, and we are united to Christ's ministry of salvation and love, peace, justice & truth.

May each of us here, with joy, remember that we also have been baptized as evidence of God's grace to us, while we celebrate this sacrament today.



Tony and Amy, obeying the word of our Lord Jesus, and sure of his presence with us, we baptize those whom he has called to be his own.

BLESSING OF THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

VOWS

Pastor to Parents: Relying on God's grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith, and to teach that faith to your child? Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? Do you intend by the aid of the Holy Spirit to raise your child in the love of our Lord and within a community of believers? Do you?

And, is it your desire that your child be baptized?

Pastor to Family and Sponsors: Do you promise, through prayer and godly example, to support and encourage Adrian to be a faithful follower of Jesus Christ? Do you?

Elder to the Congregation: Our Lord Jesus Christ ordered us to teach those who are baptized. Do you, as members of the whole church of Jesus Christ, promise to tell

Adrian the good news of the gospel, to help him know all that Christ commands, and, by your fellowship, to strengthen his family ties with the household of faith. Will you guide and nurture Adrian by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and to be a faithful member of His church? Do you and will you?

THE ACT OF BAPTISIM

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Elder leads the Congregational Prayer: In the presence of God, the Author & Giver of life, we the Body of Christ in this place pray for you parents, in the great, joyful responsibility God has entrusted to you. As individuals, we pray that as you grow in Christ you may bear the fruit of wisdom & godliness. As a church, we promise to fulfill our responsibility to you & your child in teaching, serving, and loving him, that from his earliest days of memory, he may see the face of Jesus in us. We pray in the Name of Jesus, Who became a child that we might become the children of God, Amen.

WELCOMING ADRIAN INTO THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

(Congregation sings verse one of Jesus Loves Me, #470, as the parents walk with the child up the aisles into the congregation.)

CHORUS OF PREPARATION

Open Our Eyes, Lord

#536

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:13-16

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

SERMON

"Like a Child"

Rev. Dr. Herman

HYMN FOR PRAYER

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

#591

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.

SENDING HYMN

Christ Beside Me

#543

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

How Great Thou Art

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MINISTERS: Ann and Chuck Rosica (Ushers), Joan Samph (Refreshments), Joan Samph (Flower Delivery)

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS: presented to the Glory of God by Mary Lou Newborg in memory of her mother and father, Ruth and Frank Murphy. Without them she wouldn't be here celebrating another birthday.

WE THANK: Rev. Dr. Richard Herman for leading us in worship!

WE THANK: Dave May for sharing his music!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. FLOWER CHART There are still slots available for you to dedicate the chancel flowers to a loved one. Please sign up using the flower chart in the narthex.

2. ATTENTION PHILLIES FANS Join us for an afternoon at the Phillies Game for Covenant members, friends, and family! Join the fellowship team for a fun afternoon at the ball park as the Phillies take on the Kansas City Royals on August 6th at 1:35PM. Please sign up on the bulletin board to express interest ASAP. Tickets will be \$35 or less. Please direct any questions to Mandy Rosica.

3. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS NEEDED! Members are invited to participate in our services. Please contact Bonnie Cain or Greg DiBona if you are interested in reading scripture or leading our worship services. We are also in need of more volunteers to operate the camera and soundboard. Please contact the church office if you are interested.



MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SCHEDULES

Women's Bible Study – Summer Break

Choir Rehearsal – Summer Break

Bell Rehearsal – Summer Break

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

Deacons – 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Fellowship (Amanda Rosica) – 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 PM

Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) – 2nd Monday, 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) – 2nd Wednesday, 1:15 PM

Property Care (Chuck Rosica and Bob Jeffries) – determined by chairperson

Session – 4th Thursday, 7:30 PM



Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above 50

PRAISE TO GOD

The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad . . . Ps. 97:1

1. Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
2. What God's al - might - y power has made, in mer - cy he is
3. We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy
4. Let all who name Christ's ho - ly name give God the praise and

a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our
keep - ing; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade his eye is nev -
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness and came with peace
glo - ry. Let all who know his power pro - claim a loud the won -

sal - va - tion. My soul with com - fort rich he fills, and
er sleep - ing. And where he rules in king - ly might, there
to cheer us. For this we thank and praise the Lord, who
drous sto - ry. Cast ev - ery i - dol from its throne; the

ev - ery grief he gen - tly stills: to God all praise and glo - ry!
all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
is by one and all a - dored: to God all praise and glo - ry!
Lord is God, and he a - lone: to God all praise and glo - ry!

WORDS: Johann J. Schütz, 1675; tr. Frances Cox, 1864, alt.
MUSIC: Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesänge, Berlin, 1566; harm. Heinrich Reimann, 1895

MIT FREUDEN ZART
8.7.8.7.8.8.7

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know 470

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." Mt. 19:14

1. Je - sus loves me, this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so!
 2. Je - sus loves me, he who died heav - en's gate to o - pen wide;
 3. Je - sus loves me! He will stay close be - side me all the way;

Lit - tle ones to him be - long: they are weak, but he is strong.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
 he's pre - pared a home for me, and some day his face I'll see.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!
 *Cris - to me a - ma, Cris - to me a - ma,
 **Tsis a ki ke yu, Tsis a ki ke yu,

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.
 Cris - to me a - ma, la Bi - blia dice a - si.
 Tsis a ki ke yu, a khi no hih se ho.

* Spanish. ** American Indian (Cherokee).

536 Open Our Eyes, Lord

I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened. Eph. 1:18

1. O - pen our eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus,
 2. O - pen our ears, Lord, and help us to lis - ten,

to reach out and touch him, and say that we love
 o - pen our eyes,

him.
 Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

WORDS and MUSIC: Robert Cull, 1976; arr. David Allen, 1976
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OPEN OUR EYES
 11.12.11.11.

537 Lord, Be Glorified

"Let the Lord be glorified . . ." Is. 66:5

1. In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.
 2. In my song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.
 3. In your Church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.

WORDS and MUSIC: Bob Kilpatrick, 1978
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GLORIFIED
 Irregular

the courage to change the things I cannot change,
 and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.
 Amen.

Anonymous

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind 591

They found the man . . . sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind. Lk. 8:35

1. Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, for - give our fool - ish
 2. In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be - side the Syr - ian
 3. O sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee! O calm of hills a -
 4. Drop thy still dews of qui - et - ness, till all our striv - ings
 5. Breathe through the heats of our de - sire thy cool - ness and thy

ways! Re - clothe us in our right - ful mind; in
 Sea, the gra - cious call - ing of the Lord, let
 bove, where Je - sus knelt to share with thee the
 cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and
 balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh re - tire; speak

pur - er lives thy serv - ice find, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.
 us, like them, with - out a word, rise up and fol - low thee.
 si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty, in - ter - pre - ted by love!
 let our or - dered lives con - fess the beau - ty of thy peace.
 through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O still small voice of calm!

REST
 8.6.8.8.6.

Christ Beside Me 543

Unison *Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us . . . ? Lk. 24:32*

1. Christ be - side me, Christ be - fore me, Christ be -
 2. Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -
 3. Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me, Christ be on
 4. Christ be - side me, Christ be - fore me, Christ be -

hind me - king of my heart; Christ with - in me,
 round me - shield in the strife; Christ in my sleep - ing,
 all tongues tell - ing of me; Christ be the vi - sion
 hind me - king of my heart; Christ with - in me,

Christ be - low me, Christ a - bove me - nev - er to part.
 Christ in my sit - ting, Christ in my ris - ing - light of my life.
 in eyes that see me, in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.
 Christ be - low me, Christ a - bove me - nev - er to part.

WORDS: Adapt. James Quinn, 1969, alt.; from *St. Patrick's Breastplate*
 MUSIC: Traditional Gaelic melody; arr. David Evans, 1927
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BUNESSAN
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Grant Me, O Lord 544

Grant me, O Lord, to know what I ought to know,
 to love what I ought to love,
 to praise what delights you most,
 to value what is precious in your sight,
 to hate what is offensive to you.
 Do not allow me to judge according to the sight of my eyes, nor pass sentence
 according to the hearing of the ears of ignorant persons, but to discern with