# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## **CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY**







**5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** 

10:00 AM

July 2, 2023

PRELUDE Draw Me Closer arr. Jerry Ray

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Carol Lovell

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: What does the Lord your God require of you?

<u>People:</u> We are to fear the Lord our God and walk in all his ways and serve the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul.

<u>Leader:</u> See, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the earth and all that is in it.

<u>ALL:</u> For the Lord our God is God of gods and Lord of lords. He executes justice for the fatherless and loves the sojourner. He is our praise; he is our God who has done great and wondrous things for us.

**HYMN** 

Abide with Me, Fast Falls the Eventide

#365

## **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

God shows his great love for us, that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Let us confess our sins before the Lord, first together as the church, then each of us in the silence of our hearts, confident in God's understanding, faithfulness, and mercy in Christ. Let us pray:

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God our Father: You led men and women to this land, and created in us a love of peace and liberty, inspired and guided by your Holy Word. Forgive us when we have neglected rights and restricted freedoms out of selfish desires and self-interest. Forgive us the pride that would overlook national wrongs. But teach us to forgive our forefathers and mothers, who acted out of the limitations of their times. Help us to show gratitude for the sacrifices they have made, that allow us to be free, despite their frailties and faults as human beings. Instead of being judges, make us compassionate disciples, following Jesus Christ, who has freed us from our sins, broken our bondage to the past, and calls us in freedom to his service. We pray this in his name; Amen.



<u>Leader:</u> If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but gave him up for us all, will He not give us all things with him?

All: We are sure that neither death nor life, or anything else in all Creation will separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. For he has forgiven us of all our sins. Amen.

## ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

<u>Elder Class of 2026:</u> Mary Lou Newborg <u>Deacons Class of 2026:</u> Linda Ballenger, Sandi Pascone

## **1st SCRIPTURE READING**: Galatians 5:1, 13-14

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

## 2nd SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 48

Great is the LORD, and most worthy of praise, in the city of our God, his holy mountain. Beautiful in its loftiness, the joy of the whole earth, like the heights of Zaphon is Mount Zion, the city of the Great King. God is in her citadels; he has shown himself to be her fortress. When the kings joined forces, when they advanced together, they saw her and were astounded; they fled in terror. Trembling seized them there, pain like that of a woman in labor. You destroyed them like ships of Tarshish shattered by an east wind. As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the LORD Almighty, in the city of our God: God makes her secure forever. Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love. Like your name, O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with righteousness. Mount Zion rejoices, the villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments. Walk about Zion, go around her, count her towers, consider well her ramparts, view her citadels, that you may tell of them to the next generation. For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end.

SPECIAL MUSIC Knowing You arr. Mark Hayes

SERMON "Declarations of Dependence" Rev. Morschauser

**HYMN** *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*#416

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

**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.



Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died,

Pastor:

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 America the Beautiful #418

**BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE** God Bless America Berlin

MINISTERS: Carol Lovell and John Lovell (Ushers), Cheryl Cinque (Refreshments), Janette Hutchinson (Flower Delivery), Mary Lou Newborg (Chancel)

**WE THANK:** Rev. Scott Morschauser for leading us in worship.

Scott Morschauser is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church USA, and a long-time member of the West Jersey/Presbytery for Southern New Jersey. He was pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church, Haddon Heights for 11 years. He was Professor of Ancient and Medieval History at Rowan University, and is recently retired.







## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## 1. CHRISTIAN CARING CENTER

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

## 2. COLLECTION

The Deacons are collecting school supplies from July 9-August 6. Please place all items in the Narthex.

## 3. 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. Please direct any questions to Mandy Rosica.

- **4. 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.
- **5. STEWARDSHIP:** Total Income for 6/25: 1777.00, Envelope Giving: 1777.00, Deacons Fund: \$35.00, Capital Improvements Fund: \$25.00.



## **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** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 PM

**Fellowship** (Amanda Rosica) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 7:00 PM

Finance and Stewardship (Mike Martin) – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 1:15 PM

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

**Session** – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:30 PM





# **PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for our congregation that a good committee will be formed to begin the search for a pastor and that just the right person will be found for our church.



Please continue to pray for peace in our country and communities.



Please keep our Covenant families and friends in your prayers:

Cynthia - she is doing very well with therapy and gaining strength and mobility and expects to return to her home shortly.

Laura Brenner - healing and good care

Betty Graham - continued good care and healing

B.Ann and Dave DuBois - strength as they both deal with health concerns

Etna Kessler - good care at memory care facility

Emily Busby - good care at nursing facility

Peggie Massey - keeping well despite the hot weather in Texas

Cancer patients:

Terri Bell - comfort and good rest and strength for Ken

Dawn Mozzi - good care and results

Mary Lou's friends - good treatment and care

Mary Lou's daughter, Melissa - recovering from surgery for removal of kidney and return to good health

Joan's friend, Mary - good treatment and results

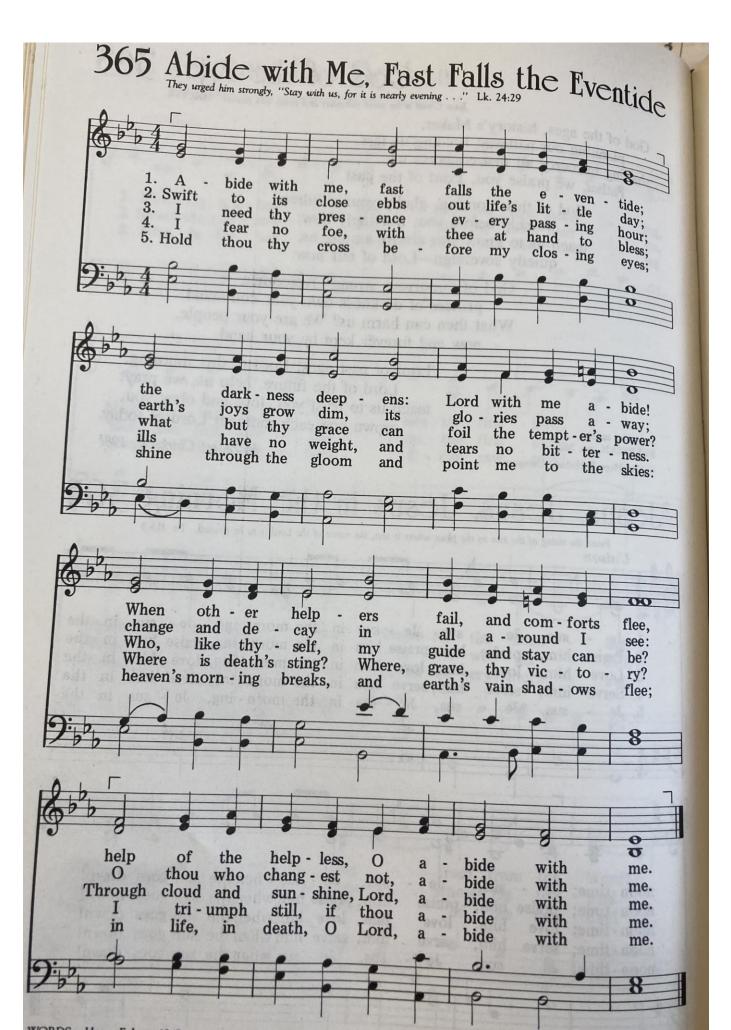
Bohdonna and Rose - successful treatment for breast cancer

Carol's friend Denise - peace of mind and safe travel as she comes north to spend time with her grandson

Carol's son, Bruce - health concerns and making good decisions

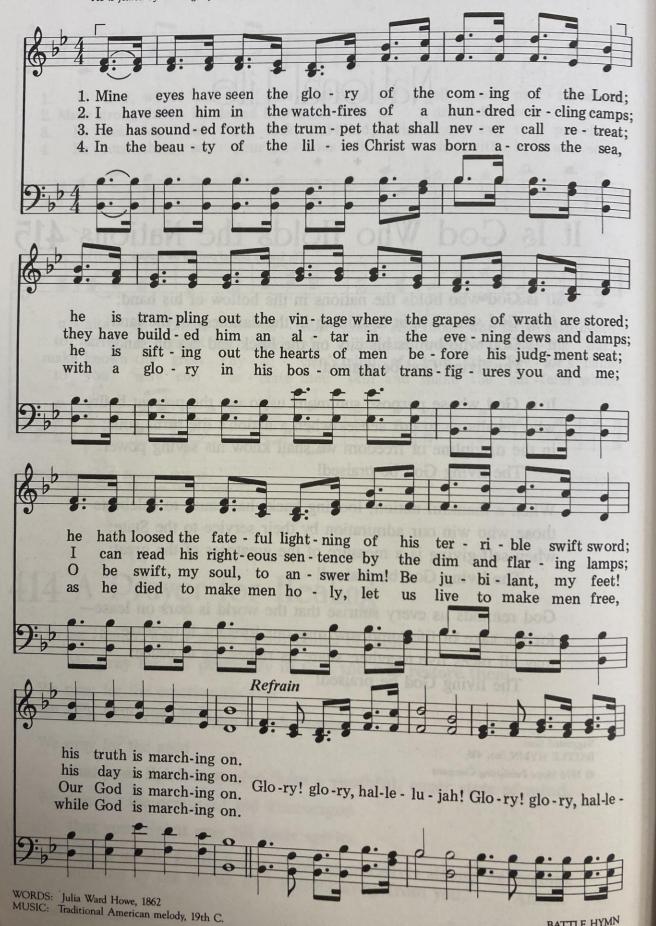


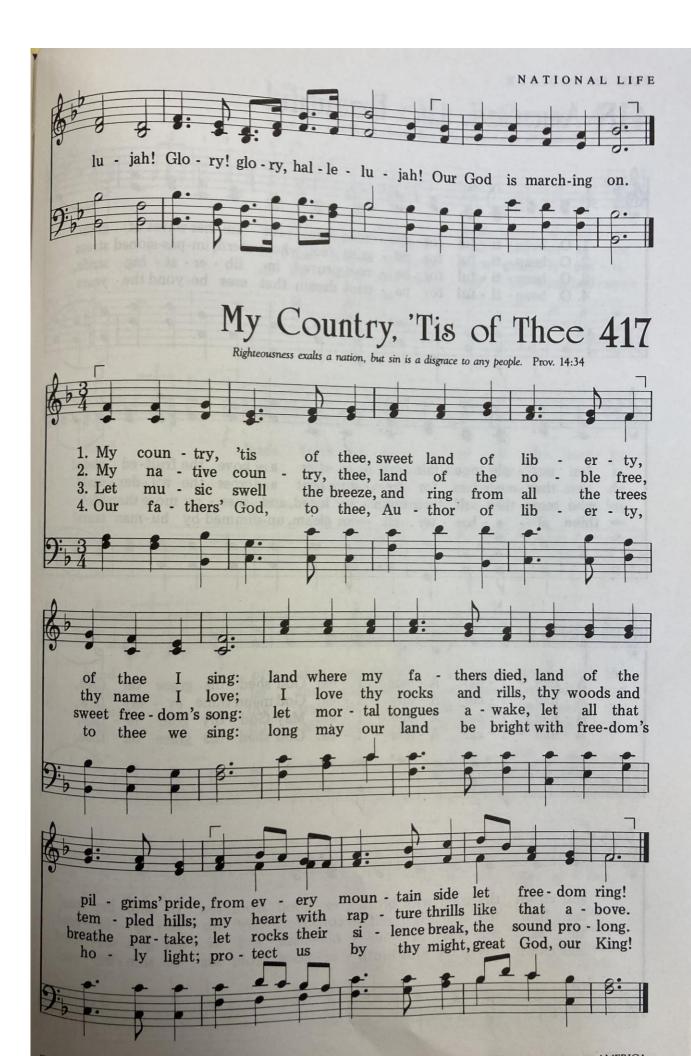




# 416 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

He is feared by the kings of the earth. Ps. 76:12





GOD IN SUCIE

# America, the Beautiful Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. Ps. 33:12

