COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY







6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

10:00 AM

May 14, 2023

PRELUDE Because He Lives arr. John Purifoy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Amanda Rosica

CHORAL INTROIT Our God Reigns

Leonard E. Smith, Jr.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 66:8-12

<u>Leader:</u> Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

<u>People:</u> For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver.

<u>Leader:</u> You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs.

<u>People:</u> You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance.

<u>Leader:</u> I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to youvows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble.

<u>People:</u> I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats.

<u>Leader:</u> Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.

<u>People:</u> I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue.

<u>Leader:</u> If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer.

People: Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

HYMN

Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him

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PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE John 14:15-21

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

CHORAL ANTHEM *Let Me Ride*arr. Rollo Dilworth

SERMON "Love and Reverence" Rev. Seth Kajang

HYMN Come, We That Love the Lord #22

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.

HYMN Through the Love of God Our Savior #610

CHORAL BENEDICTION Christ is Risen Lloyd Larson

POSTLUDE God Will Take Care of You arr. Philip Keveren

<u>MINISTERS:</u> Treva Grunigen and Sandi Pascone (Ushers), Karen Schwartz (Refreshments), Janette Hutchinson (Flower Delivery)

<u>THE CHANCEL FLOWERS</u> presented to the Glory of God by Betty Herskovitz in honor of her granddaughters: Dana Scioli - with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from St Augustine University for Health Sciences and Erin Scioli - Rowan University with a B.S. in Health and Exercise Science

WE THANK: Rev. Seth Kajang for leading us in worship.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. THANK YOU

I want to thank my Covenant Family for all of their prayers, cards and love during these past few months of my illness. Your support has been greatly appreciated. Love, Carol Grunigen

2. BRUNCH

Covenant will hold brunch following the worship service on Sunday May 21. Please place your name on the signup sheet in the narthex.

- **3. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Bible study is located in the Lounge on Mondays at 11 AM. The group will be studying the book of Luke. We hope to see you there!
- **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 5/7: \$4125.00, Envelope Giving: \$4125.00, Deacons Fund: \$180.00.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SCHEDULES

Women's Bible Study – Mondays, 11:00 AM, Lounge
Choir Rehearsal – Sundays, 11:00 AM
Bell Rehearsal – Mondays, 7:00 PM
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

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PRAYER LIST



Thankful prayers to Rev. Seth Kajang for joining us for worship last week and for sharing Holy Communion.

Please pray for the mass shooting victims and their families in Texas. Pray for peace in our communities, country and world.

Prayers for the people of Ukraine.

Please keep our Covenant families and friends in your prayers this week:

Joyful prayers for Mary Lou Newborg that her back surgery went very well

Joyful prayers for Carol Grunigen who has recovered from heart surgery.

Joyful prayers for Betty Graham who is feeling much better and back in her apartment after pneumonia

Joyful prayers for Cynthia - recovering from knee surgery and now able to drive her car

Nancy Perritt - strength and total recovery from a lingering illness from Covid

Nina Reeder, our moderator - healing from hip surgery

Debby Brincivalli- healing from knee surgery

Betty Herskovitz's friend, Elaine's husband, Bill - receiving chemo due to brain illness

Emily Busby - good care in nursing facility

Etna Kessler - good care in memory care facility

Gary Shields - recovery from stroke - he was a student pastor at Covenant many years ago

Marilyn and Gene Davidoff - good care for both Marilyn and Eugene

Peggie Massey - keeping well and active in her Texas home and hello to Susan and Doug Wilhelm Cancer patients:

Terri Bell -- long time cancer patient - able to rest comfortably and strength for Ken as he cares for her

Dawn Mozzi - good results from chemo

Joan's friend, Mary - good results from chemo

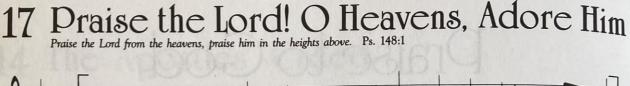
Mary Lou's friends - Christopher, Sherry, Pat and Dave - good care

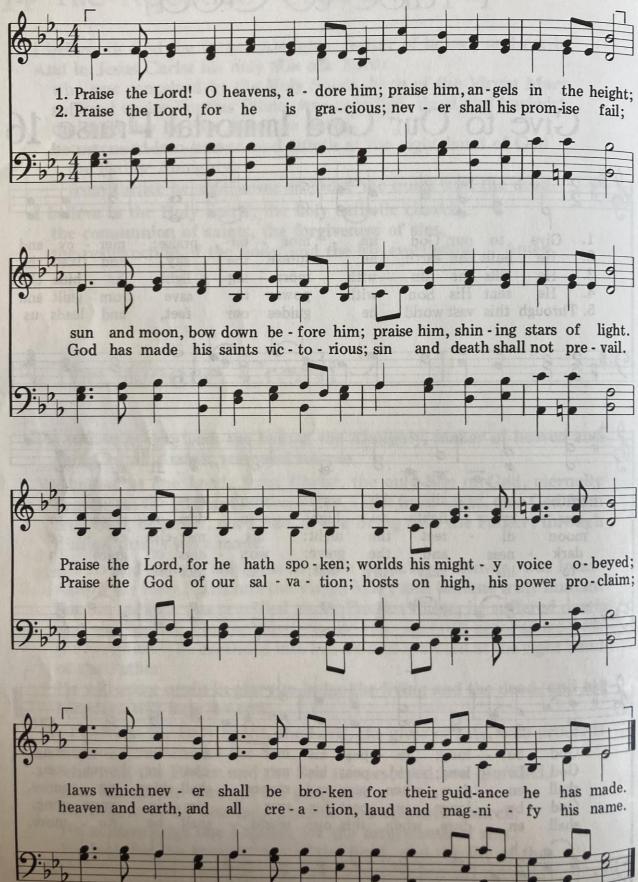
Pastor Kiner - Breakthrough pastor - good care and strength for his wife and support from his congregation

Bohdonna and Rose - good care and treatment for breast cancer

Greg DiBona's parents - joyful prayers as they are recovering well from Covid

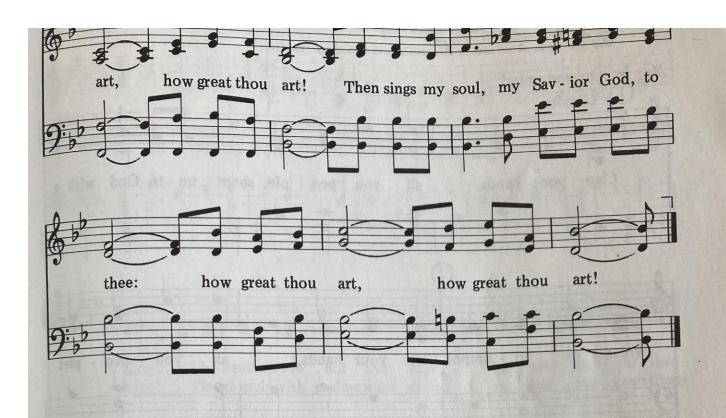
Barb and Bob Seither - patience and hopeful prayers as their house is coming along very well and work is being completed on the inside





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WORDS: The Foundling Hospital Collection



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