COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY







DAY OF PENTECOST

10:00 AM

May 28, 2023

PRELUDE

Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart

F. C. Atkinson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mike Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 104:24-34

<u>Leader:</u> How many are your works, LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

<u>People:</u> There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number—living things both large and small.

<u>Leader:</u> There the ships go to and fro, and Leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

People: All creatures look to you to give them their food at the proper time.

<u>Leader:</u> When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

<u>People:</u> When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

<u>Leader:</u> When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

<u>People:</u> May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—
he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

Leader: I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

<u>People:</u> May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD.

HYMN Sweet, Sweet Spirit #291

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

SPECIAL MUSIC

Amazing Grace

arr. Glenda Austin

SERMON

"Inexplicable Peace"

Seth Kajang

HYMN

Have Thin Own Way, Lord

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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 *America, the Beautiful* #418

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Battle Hymn of the Republic

J. W. Howe

<u>MINISTERS:</u> Carol Ortlip and Pat Rothenhofer (Ushers), Carol Ortlip (Refreshments), Janette Hutchinson (Flower Delivery)

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







ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 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 and money will be due by June 18th. Please direct any questions to Mandy Rosica.

2. THANK YOU

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, flowers and phone calls. I am so blessed to have my Covenant Family cheering me on as I slowly recover from my back surgery. I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Love, Mary Lou Newborg

- **3. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY SUMMER BREAK:** The Women's Bible Study is on summer break until the Fall. Please check the announcements for the September start date.
- **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 5/21: \$2222.10, Envelope Giving: \$2122.00, Deacons Fund: \$235.00, Capital Improvements Fund: \$25.00.

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

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

Session – 4th Thursday, 7:30 PM









PRAYER LIST

Thankful prayers for Rev. Zeidler visiting us again and for his thoughtful message. We are so thankful to our choir and bell choir for the beautiful music they provide throughout the year. Thank you to Elisa Muzzillo, for the lovely flute contribution to our service and Mandy Rosica's participation in the service is always appreciated.

What a super brunch that was enjoyed following worship last week! A good time was had by all and a big thank you to the Fellowship Team for organizing it.



Please pray for our Covenant members and friends:

Mary Lou - continued healing and feeling strong and hopefully we will see her soon

Betty Graham - strength and feeling good

Cynthia Joffe - relief from discomfort in knee and leg

Emily Busby - very good care at nursing facility

Etna Kessler - very good care at memory care facility

Marilyn and Eugene Davidoff - good care and safety for Marilyn when she takes her walks

Peggie Massey - feeling good and being active at her Texas home

Gary Shields - recovery from stroke

Betty Herskovitz' friend's, husband, Bill, being treated for brain illness

Sue Staub - healing and recovery from pain

Cancer patients:

Terri Bell - able to rest in comfort and strength for Ken as he takes good care of her

Dawn Mozzi - good results from treatment

Pastor Kiner - good care and strength

Mary Lou's friends - good treatment and results

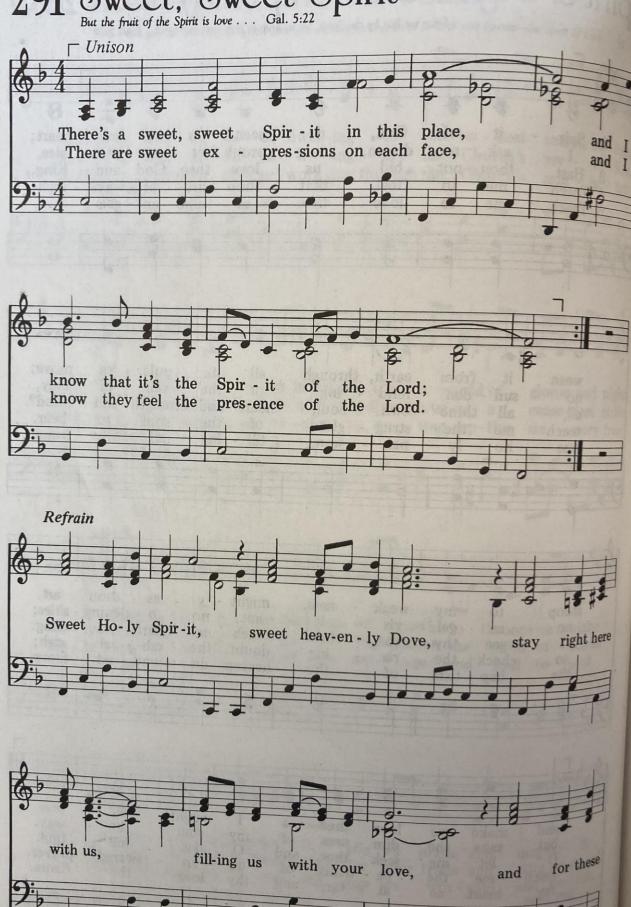
Joan's friend, Mary - good treatment and results

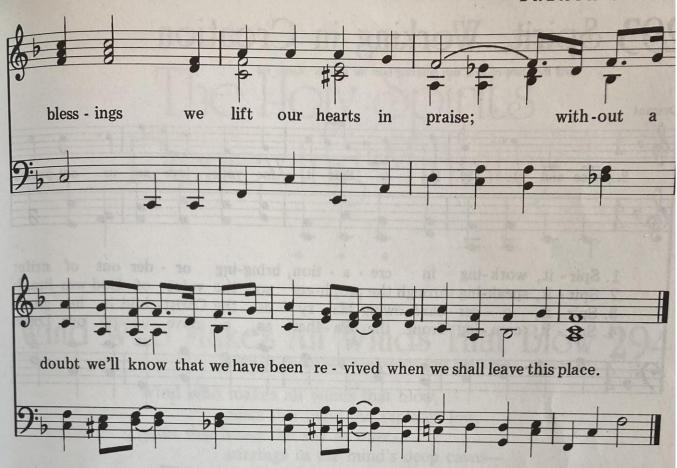
Bohdonna and Rose - good results from treatment for breast cancer

Carol Ortlip's friends - Anna - in the hospital and not doing well, and Denise for peace of mind



Sweet, Sweet Spirit But the fruit of the Spirit is love ... Gal. 5:22





The Holy Spirit Promised 292

"If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to 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."

John 14:15-17

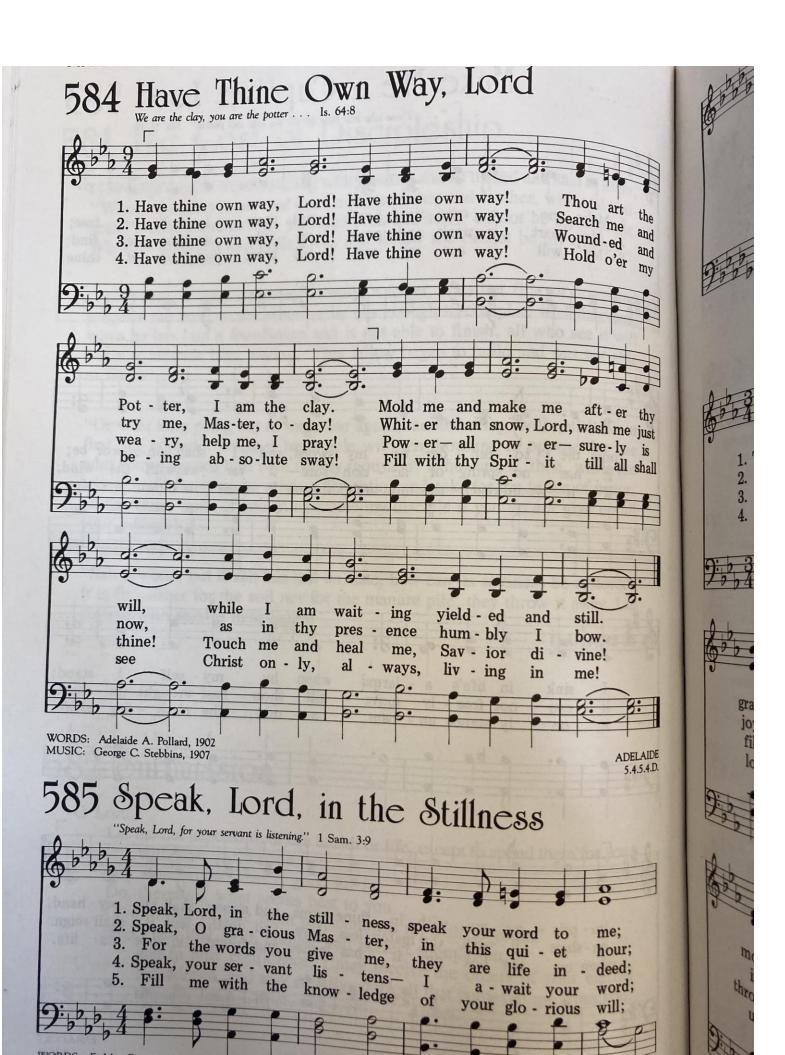
"... It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment."

"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you."

John 16:7-8, 12-14

"All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."



MUSIC: Samuel A. Ward, 1882

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

