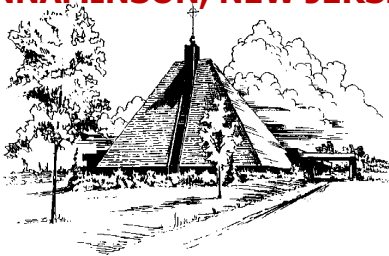


COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CINNAMINSON, NEW JERSEY



21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 AM

OCTOBER 22, 2023

PRELUDE

The Heart of Worship

Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Betty Herskovitz

CHORAL INTROIT

Worship the Lord

L. Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 96: 1-9

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

People: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

Leader: For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

People: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

Leader: Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

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PASSING THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?" But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?" "Caesar's," they replied. Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." When they heard this, they were amazed. So, they left him and went away.

CHORAL ANTHEM

How Excellent Thy Name

Handel

SERMON

"One Nation Under God"

Rev. Kundan Nasir

HYMN

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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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

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Out in Song

L. Larson

POSTLUDE

He Keeps Me Singing

Luther B. Bridgers

MINISTERS: Janette Hutchinson and Diane Steel (Ushers), Betty Herskovitz (Refreshments), Jeanne Martin (Flower Delivery)

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS presented to the Glory of God by Karen Schwartz in loving memory of her son, John Michael.



WE THANK: Kundan Nasir for leading us in worship.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



1. BRUNCH

Join us for soups, breads, and other goodies after worship on November 12th in Fellowship Hall.

2. LADIES TEA

Ladies Christmas Tea is December 2nd at 12:30PM (Tea at 1PM) - an elegant afternoon with full tea service, Christmas decor, and fellowship. Ages 5 and up welcome. Tickets on sale Nov. 5th.

3. SUNDAY SCHOOL

Attention all children starting at age 4. Covenant will be hosting Sunday School during the 10am Church Service on the following dates: November 19th, December 17th.

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. BIBLE STUDY The Bible Study will be located in the lounge on Mondays at 11AM. All are welcome!

6. STEWARDSHIP: Total Income for 10/8: \$6217.80, Envelope Giving: \$1174.00, Deacons Fund: \$105.00. Total Income for 10/15: \$909.81, Envelope Giving: \$757.00, Deacons Fund: \$90.00.



MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SCHEDULES

Women's Bible Study – Mondays 11:00 AM
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 (Mary Lou Newborg) – as needed
Music and Worship (Leslie Todd) – October 22, 11:00 AM Lounge
Property Care (Chuck Rosica and Bob Jeffries) – determined by chairperson
Session – 4th Thursday, 7:30 PM



PRAYER LIST

Thank you to Rev. Zeidler for once again delivering a thoughtful and interesting sermon in which he helpfully explained various Scripture messages to give us a better understanding. Chuck Rosica reviewed the current activities coming up, and Christy Jeffries provided good refreshments. Thank you to both.

Prayers must continue for an end to the terrible violence throughout our country and the world.



Please pray for our Covenant friends and families:



Joyful prayers that Steve Peak is cancer free and is a member of the Pulpit Nominating Committee

Julia Slater - rest and healing and recovery from Covid

Betty Graham - Julia's mom - that her leg is healing and she is feeling better

Cynthia Joffe - continued healing and looking forward to removal of the brace on her leg

Sandi Pascone's concern for her husband as he deals with serious health issue

Joan Samph - feeling better following cortisone inoculation in her knee

Treva's sister-in-law, Janice - comfortable rest and strength for Treva's brother, Roy, as he watches over her

Joyful prayers for Treva as she enjoys a family reunion with her children

Bobbie Bechtel - continued healing of her ribs

Etna Kessler - good care at memory care facility

Emily Busby - good care at nursing facility

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

Mary Lou Newborg - concern for 18-month-old Logan who is suffering from cancer that he can be healed

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

Betty Herskovitz' friend, Bill - hopefully good results from treatment and strength for his wife, Elaine

Denise - feeling uplifted and having good friends and enjoying Wade

Bruce and his family - continued good work situations and very soon finding a permanent place to live



25 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. Ps. 103:2

Unison

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your
 2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to all peo - ple
 3. Fa - ther-like, he tends and spares us; all our hopes and
 4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him, you be - hold him

trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress. Praise him, still the same for - ev - er,
 fears he knows. In his hands he gen - tly bears us,
 face to face. Sun and moon bow down be - fore him;

ev - er - more his prais - es sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 slow to chide and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!
 res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
 all who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly as his mer - cy flows.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

520 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

"Trust in God; trust also in me." Jn. 14:1

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take him at his word,
 2. O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust his cleans - ing blood,
 3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Je - sus, just from sin and self to cease,
 4. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, pre - cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend,

just to rest up - on his prom - ise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."
 just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans - ing flood!
 just from Je - sus sim - ply tak - ing life and rest, and joy and peace.
 and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.

Refrain

Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!

Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

WORDS: Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882
 MUSIC: William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882

der of mer - cy for me.

Precious Lord, Take My Hand 638

... and lead me in the way everlasting. Ps. 139:24

1. Pre-cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am
2. When my way grows drear, pre-cious Lord, lin-ger near, when my
3. When the dark-ness ap-pears and the night draws near, and the

tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the
 life is al-most gone; hear my cry, hear my
 day is past and gone, at the riv-er I

night, lead me on to the light: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
 call, hold my hand lest I fall: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
 stand, guide my feet, hold my hand: Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

PRECIOUS LORD
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