

The Prayers of the People

Maureen St. John, Roxanne Somers, Meg Yanefski, Damian, Marjorie, David, Doug Hoffman, Erin Fitzpatrick, Jason Russell, Jenn, Jeff & Patricia Dahl, Rick, Terri, Dan Dalesandro, Jennifer Martin, Maisy, Debbie Kelly, Susan Somers, The Family of Marietta, James Hoobler, Barbara, Geoff Hicks, Misty Acrey, The Freitag Family, Rachel Ledden-Albadine, El Maeve, Butch Hahn, Catherine

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

Communion

Prayer after Communion

God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

*Hymn No. 761 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 312 "Take Us As We Are, O God" (verse 4)

"Give us to the world you love as light and salt and yeast, that we may nourish in your name the last, the lost, the least, until at length you call us all to your unending feast."

Postlude "Amazing Grace" - arr. Keene

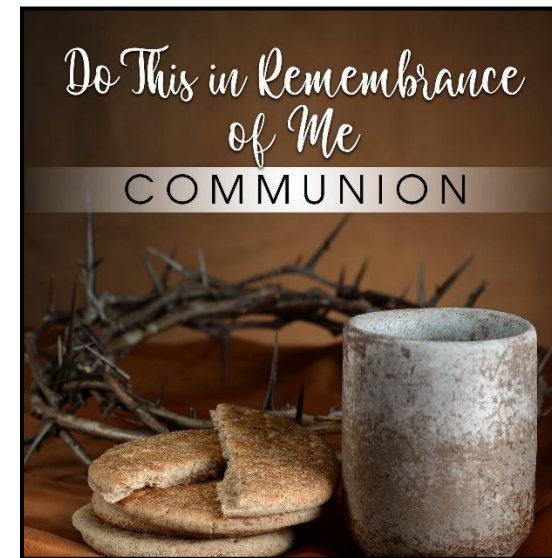
***** ***** Please stand as you are able. ***** *****

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Ushers	Dave Nicastro & Linda Waller
Liturgist	Vicki Downing
Acolyte	Emory Wichart



“God’s Open House”

10 Wildwood Avenue Pitman, NJ 08071
(856) 589-1050 ❖ pitmanpres.org
office@pitmanpres.org



10 AM Worship Service ❖ September 3, 2023
14th Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation

"To participate in the Eucharist is to live inside God's imagination. It is to be caught up into what is really real, the body of Christ." - *Walter Brueggemann*

Welcome & Sharing Information

Prelude "A Country Road" - MacDowell

Call to Worship (written by Tricia Ziegler)

One: Come take off your shoes

All: For where we stand is holy ground

One: Come love your neighbor and do good to all around you

All: For where we stand is holy ground

One: Come and respect the planet

All: For where we stand is holy ground Love all that God gave us, for we are all standing on holy ground

*Hymn No. 52 "When Israel Was in Egypt's Land"

Prayer of Confession (Hymn #422) "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Moment of Silence

Words of Assurance (adapted from Psalm 103)

One: As far as the East is from the West, so far have our guilt and shame been removed from us. Friends, believe the Good News!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Hymn No. 581 "Glory Be to the Father"

"Glory be the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

*Passing of Peace

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also, with you.

Special Music: "Allegro Maestoso" from the Water Music - *Handel*
Linda Davis and Helen Stanley, organ, and piano duet

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there. Children: God be with you here.

Scripture

1st Reading: *Romans 12: 9-21* **New Testament** pg. 162 **LP** pg. 197

2nd Reading: *Exodus 3: 1-15* **Old Testament** pg. 50 **LP** pg. 62

Sermon "Turning Aside to See" - *Rev. Drew Harrison*

*Affirmation of Faith (*Heidelberg Catechism*)

One: What do you understand by the providence of God?

All: The Almighty and ever present power of God by which God upholds, Heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty – all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but by God's heavenly hand.

Offertory

*Doxology No. 606 "Praise God...All Blessings Flow" "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

*Unison Prayer of Dedication:

Good Shepherd, you spread a table before us. We offer you our gifts, signs of your gracious love and tokens of our grateful hearts. Nourish us at the feast of the Lamb, that we may proclaim to all the world your triumphant love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also, with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing... therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.