



NESHAMINY-WARWICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2020

HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the gloom of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
Joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy God, you speak to us in a voice unexpected and come to us in ways we do not recognize. *Matt. 14:26*
Never leaving us to our own devices or defenses, you are the ever-present, all-powerful God. Call us out in
faith again and again, until we learn to walk with you in steadfast love and faithfulness, and in peace. In the
name of him who comes to us upon the waters, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

WORSHIP SONGS

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you, I want to see you (repeat)

*To see you high and lifted up
Shining in the light of your glory
Pour out your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy*

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you, I want to see you (repeat)

Holy, holy, holy (3X)
I want to see you

“He is Exalted”

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high: I will praise him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise his name!
He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The psalmist tells us that when we turn to God in our hearts, God speaks peace to the faithful. As we turn to God in true confession of our sin, we trust in God, whose shalom makes us whole.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith, trusting in you for all things. We respond to your command but then sink in doubt and fear. We hide from the challenges of bold discipleship. We are not able to fulfill your commandments, for our purposes are never in full accord with yours. Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips but do not believe in our hearts. Help us to practice our faith in all circumstances. Lift us out of sin into the arms of your mercy. Though we are distracted by noise all around, allow us to hear your voice even when it is the sound of sheer silence. . . . [*A time of silence is kept.*] We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Please take a moment of silent confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Jesus is Lord! God raised him from the dead and we are saved through him. This is the good news we believe in our hearts and confess with our mouths: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven! This is good news to share with all people!

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Because God cares for all without distinction and is generous to all beyond measure, so we, God's people, are to care for all with generosity and gladness. We bring our offerings to be used for God's good purposes in the church and in the world.

OFFERTORY

Lee Nelmes ("Crucifixus" by Gordon Young -online)
Keith Rounds (outdoor)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/DEDICATION

Generous God, we thank you for your call and claim upon our lives. Because there is so much more we can become, and so much more we can do, we pray that our faith will increase; that our practice of generosity will be enlarged; and that our joy in believing will encourage others as we share with them the good news of Jesus Christ; in whose name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON

"A Story About Us"
Pastor Mark Lyndaker-Studer

HYMN

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found,
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. (Refrain)

BLESSING

May the steadfast love and faithfulness of God surround you; the peace of Christ enfold you; and the Holy Spirit encourage you, now and forever.



Prayer Concerns: Debbie Edwards
Muriel Goodman
Mark Hennessy
Lynda Comstock
Peggy & Ron Salfen
Cathy Shaheen
Ronald Honeyford (friend of Sandee Wilson)
Don Fiedler (cousin of Sandee Wilson)
Charles Sutton (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Terri Buckley (friend of Sue Rems)
Donna Edwards (friend of Wendy Wirsch)
Daniel Palzer (friend of Debbie Watson)
Kristin Ferrero Slattery and her family (friends of Sue Rems)
Eileen Godfrey (friend of Sue Rems)
Christine Schultz and Family (friends of Sue McOwen)
Ray McKeivitt (friend to Bob and Barb Louderback)

Ongoing Concerns: Kerry Zimmerman
Sandi Flynn
Debbie Watson
John Zachary
Lois Williams
Demelza Breith
Carol Herwig
Muriel Wagner



FOOD COLLECTION

The need for assistance is great right now and you can help! We still collect non-perishable food items for the Coordinating Council of Health and Welfare's Warminster Food Bank. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off in the bin right inside the double-glass doors closest to the office any Sunday directly before or after the worship service. This ongoing mission is coordinated by the Deacons. If you have any questions please contact Pam Latronica or Sandee Wilson at 215-343-66060.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

Drive Details:

Site: Neshaminy Warwick Presbyterian Church
Address: 1401 Meetinghouse Road, Warminster, PA, 18974
Room Name: Auditorium
Date: Monday, August 10, 2020
Time: 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Coordinator Name: Don Millin



You can sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org

Blood supplies are low and the need is great. Presently, significant precautions are being taken to ensure the safety of each donor and Red Cross volunteer involved in the donation process. They are staggering appointments to keep contact to a minimum, doing temperature checks before donors step inside, practicing social distancing, and sanitizing everything constantly.

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.

Please consider a donation and sign up today to save a life!