



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

August 29, 2021 • 10:00 AM

PRELUDE

Unmeasured Prelude in F Major
David Kaplan, piano

Louis Couperin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senior Pastor Ellen Clémot
Associate Pastor Tom Brown

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Who may abide in the presence of God?

People: *Who may live on God's Holy mountain?*

Leader: All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

People: *All those who speak truth from the heart.*

All: *Let us worship God! Alleluia, amen.*

*HYMN 301 (vv. 1,4-5)

Let Us Build a House

TWO OAKS

*(1) Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:*

Refrain: all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

*(4) Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain)*

*(5) Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: (Refrain)*

TEXT: Marty Haugen, 1994

MUSIC: Marty Haugen, 1994

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OPENING PRAYER

*Indicates that the congregation will please rise, in body or in spirit.

LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

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.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of light, we confess that we live in the shadows of hypocrisy and self-righteousness. We honor you with our lips, but we have not served you in our hearts. We are satisfied with human traditions and norms and avoid your liberating truth. Forgive us we pray. By the power of your word save us from the prison of conceit so that we may serve you with sincere hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***HYMN 582 (v. 1)** **Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me** **GLORY TO GOD (VASILE)**

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text; adapt. Paul M. Vasile, 2008

MUSIC: Paul M. Vasile, 2008

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER Psalm 15

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O LORD, who may abide in your tent?
Who may dwell on your holy hill?
Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,
and speak the truth from their heart;
who do not slander with their tongue,
and do no evil to their friends,
nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;
in whose eyes the wicked are despised,
but who honor those who fear the LORD;
who stand by their oath even to their hurt;
who do not lend money at interest,
and do not take a bribe against the innocent.
Those who do these things shall never be moved.

ANTHEM

I Will Rise
Matthew Zabiegala, tenor

Chris Tomlin

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE Song of Solomon 2:8-13

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The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me:

“Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away;

for now the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtledove
is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs,
and the vines are in blossom;
they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.

SERMON “Love’s Joy”

Senior Pastor Ellen Clémot

***HYMN 611**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

*(1) 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 dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.*

*(2) 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,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.*

*(3) 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.*

TEXT: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt.

MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Impromptu in Gb Major
David Kaplan, piano

Franz Schubert

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 630 (vv.1-2,4)

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

*(1) Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*(2) Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring.
Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing.*

*(4) Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!*

TEXT: Münster *Gesangbuch*, 1677; stanzas 1-3, trans.
Church Chorals and Choir Studies, 1850, alt.; stanza 4, trans. Joseph August Seiss, 1873, alt.
MUSIC: Silesian folk melody; *Schlesische Volkslieder*, 1842

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in E Minor (Cathedral)

J.S. Bach

Today's preacher is Senior Pastor Ellen Clémot.

Many thanks today to our guest musicians.

Gordon King is returning as our guest organist.

David Kaplan is our guest pianist and is Co-Artistic Director of Lyrica Chamber Music which has performed a concert series at PCCT for over 30 years.

Matt Zabiegala is our guest soloist and will soon be our new Director of Music!

Thank you all for the beautiful music this morning.

Our cantors today are Gayle Hendrix, Carol L. Sargent and Rae Wade.

Our ushers this morning are Martin Barbato, Linda Barnes and Mark Schmitter.

Greeting this morning are Sally and Tom Abbott.

Special thanks to Zach Brown, Bob Eager and Carlene Pruitt
today for their technical assistance.

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THE CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God
and in memory of our beloved sister Marlane Crater Jones,
from Jeffrey Crater and family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, August 29, 2021

To protect the more vulnerable, masks are required when inside the building. Thank you.

WELCOME MATT ZABIEGALA - OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC!

We are so pleased to share the good news that Matt Zabiegala will be our new Director of Music at PCCT! We are thrilled to have Matt join our church family and to be leading our music program for the years ahead. Matt is also our guest soloist this morning and will be singing the anthem in our worship service. Please come meet Matt after worship when we will have a special lemonade fellowship time to welcome him. Matt will officially join our staff on October 1, 2021.

PCCT INTERNSHIPS FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

PCCT is offering Family Ministry Internships available to high school students and young adults ages 14-22 for both the fall and spring semesters of the upcoming school year. Interns will work alongside Church School teachers, planning and leading lessons, games and activities for children on Sunday mornings. This is a great opportunity for teens/young adults looking to develop leadership skills and/or earn service hours. Further information and an application can be found on our website or you can pick one up on the table inside the glass doors at the church. Applications are due Sept. 10. For more information, please contact [Pastor Tom](#).

REQUEST FOR REMEMBRANCES

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attack on 9/11. We will observe this solemn day with a special service of remembrance on Sunday, September 12th, at 10am in our sanctuary. We invite all of our community members to send us the names of any family member or friend who died in the attacks against our nation on 9/11. We will read their names aloud during the service and remember them in prayer. The service will include scripture and sermon along with sacred music selections sung by our sanctuary choir and a special anthem sung by our new Director of Music, Matthew Zabiegala. Matt will also play organ during the postlude in a poignant organ and trumpet duet with Doug Haislip on trumpet. We hope you will join us for this special service of remembrance at PCCT.

TABULATORS NEEDED

We all are anxious to celebrate the start of the new year at PCCT and seeing everyone in the sanctuary. It's also time to think of how we can get involved with the Church. Helping with tabulating the weekly offering and collections is an easy and simple way to give back to our Church - become part of one of several teams of fellow church members to help with this important function. If you are interested in being part of this important ministry, please reach out to our Church Treasurer, Warren Hoffman (whoffman@pcct-nj.org), and he can give you more details.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

If you are worshipping from home and would like to include someone in Prayers of the People during the service, please email both Ellen at eclmot@pcct-nj.org and Tom at tbrown@pcct-nj.org with your prayer requests during the week and before 9:00 AM on Sunday morning.

SAVE THE DATES!

Sunday, September 12, 10 AM - 20th Anniversary Service of September 11
Sunday, September 19, 10 AM - Welcome Back Sunday & Picnic on the Front Lawn
Sunday, September 26, 10 AM - First Day of Church School