



**PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

August 8, 2021 • 10:00 AM

PRELUDE

I Am the Bread of Life
Carl Hovi, alto saxophone and Justin Hovi, trumpet

David Kates; arr.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senior Pastor Ellen Clémot

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Molly McCann

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times.

People: *His praise shall be continually in my mouth.*

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,

People: *and let us exalt God's name together.*

All: *Let us worship the Living God, alleluia, amen.*

***HYMN 401 (vv. 1-2, 4)**

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

*(1) Here in this place the new light is streaming;
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken;
we shall arise at the sound of our name.*

*(2) We are the young; our lives are a mystery.
We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;
give us the courage to enter the song.*

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

*(4) Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away:
here in this place the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.*

TEXT and MUSIC: Marty Haugen, 1979
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OPENING PRAYER

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)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have been angry with the world and nursed grudges against our adversaries. We have hoarded the fruits of our labors rather than share our bounty with the needy. We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness but have indulged evil gossip. We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done, even though we desire your forgiveness toward us in Jesus Christ. Heal us O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. 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.*

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us, and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

SERMON “The Antidote to Anger”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

From A Brief Statement of Faith

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments. We violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

*HYMN 445

God, How Can We Forgive

LEONI

*(1) God, how can we forgive when bonds of love are torn?
How can we rise and start anew, our trust reborn?
When human loving fails and every hope is gone,
your love gives strength beyond our own to face the dawn.*

*(2) When we have missed the mark, and tears of anguish flow,
how can you still release our guilt, the debt we owe?
The ocean depth of grace surpasses all our needs.
A priest who shares our human pain, Christ intercedes.*

*(3) Who dares to throw the stone to damn another’s sin,
when you, while knowing all our past, forgive again?
No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.
As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

The Water is Wide
Carl Hovi, alto saxophone

Daniel Kallman, arr.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #733

We All Are One in Mission ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

*(1) We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single, great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.*

*(2) We all are called for service to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace,
so every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.*

*(3) Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.*

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Roberts

Conversation

Matthew
Justin Hovi, trumpet

Today's preacher is Senior Pastor Ellen Clémot
and our liturgist is Molly McCann.

Our cantors this morning are Gayle Hendrix, Carl Hovi, Justin Hovi and Carl Woodward.

Thank you to Ric Butler, Story Savage and Carolyn Smith for ushering today.

Greeting this morning is Debra Balvage.

Special thanks to Bob Eager, Bruce Hoppe and Carlene Pruitt
today for their technical assistance.

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The Session of PCCT encourages everyone eligible and able to get vaccinated against Covid-19 for the good of all. Please do your part to stop the spread of this disease by mask-wearing, social distancing, and careful hand hygiene when vaccinations are not an option for you. In Person Registration is no longer required. However, we encourage you to stay home and join us for online worship if you aren't feeling well, or answer "yes" to any question on our health questionnaire [HERE](#). Masks are still required as an expression of care for those most vulnerable.

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THE CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God
and in memory of David T. Kearns,
father and grandfather, by the Fields family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, August 8, 2021

LEMONADE AND FELLOWSHIP

Join us after worship for a "mask-optional" lemonade fellowship time outside under the portico in the front of the church (*note new location*) or in Mulford Hall in inclement weather. If you are not here in person and you would like to join others for some virtual lemonade and fellowship each week after worship via Zoom (self-monitored), click [HERE](#). Virtual fellowship begins at 11:15 am (*new time*).
Meeting ID: 928 3540 8761

Passcode: PCCT

HELP BUILD OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN!

Saturday, August 14, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Join us for the next steps in building our Community Garden. We have four raised garden beds almost ready for planting. Help us with the final stages of staining the wood frame (with non-toxic linseed oil), and filling with wood chips and filling with soil. Work hours will be from 9:00 am to about noon at Craig and Lisa Duke's: 31 Long Hill Lane, Chatham Township.

Please [sign up](#) to let us know you're coming and so we can communicate with you about any last minute changes. Contact [Craig Duke](#) for more information.

What to bring:

- Hat, Sunscreen and Bug Repellant
- Filled Water Bottle
- Work Gloves

FAREWELL TO DEBORAH KING - Sunday, August 15

Please join us next Sunday immediately after worship to say farewell and give our best wishes to Deborah King on her last Sunday with us. We are grateful for her musical ministry at PCCT for these last two years. Join us as we meet to celebrate Deborah under the front portico immediately following the service for lemonade and light refreshments.

CREATE A PCCT MEMBER ACCOUNT

We are so excited to have the opportunity to roll out "Breeze", an online membership database and online giving system. We would like to invite you to create an account by [clicking here](#). To find out more about this exciting opportunity, click [HERE](#).

FAMILY PROMISE: August 15 - 22

Family Promise's traditional congregation-based shelter program will remain on hold throughout 2021. Volunteers from host congregations such as ours will be providing meals. Our next "hosting" week is August 15 - 22. To register to provide a meal, either home cooked, delivered or in the form of a gift card to a local restaurant or Shop Rite, please click [HERE](#). See the next page for another way to help by donating much needed items.

FAMILY PROMISE DONATIONS

We are collecting some much needed items for our Family Promise guests. Below is a list of items. You may drop off any of the Essential donations in the Upper Lobby at the church between 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. For the items needed for New Homes please contact Family Promise directly: Nora Godown, ngodown@familypromisemorris.org or 973-619-8316.

Items Needed for New Homes

2 new air conditioner window units
new fans
new vacuum cleaners
new microwave ovens
new umbrellas
new twin mattresses-in-a-box
new or gently used printers
new or gently used outdoor table & chair sets

Essential Needs for Our Guests

Men's T-shirts sizes L, XL, 2XL, 3XL
Men's Boxers sizes L, XL, 2XL, 3XL
Women's T-shirts all sizes
Baseball caps
Non-alcohol hand sanitizer or wipes
Sanitizing wipes & cleaning supplies
Laundry detergent
Bottled water and Gatorade

NOURISH.NJ - August 16 - 24

Thank you to everyone who has been providing Breakfast Bags to [nourish.NJ](http://nourish.nj). In July we donated more than 100 breakfast bags! Purchase the items, assemble the bags at home and drop them off at Mulford Hall at the church between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 between August 16 - 24. You can sign up on our [website](#) or on the board in the Upper Lobby. Contact our PCCT member liaison [Story Savage](#) with any questions. Great way for the whole family to help someone in need.

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](#) and [Tom](#) with your prayer requests during the week and before 9:00 AM on Sunday morning.

GREETERS AND USHERS

We have a definite need for more people to serve as ushers and greeters. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to the [church office](#) and let us know. We can provide you with all the instructions and details you will need. Please consider serving and being part of these important parts of our worship service each week.

TABULATORS NEEDED

We also need some new people who would be willing to volunteer as tabulators. Please contact the church office to get more information and if you would be willing to help out with this important job that helps the church run smoothly and fulfill its mission.