



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, May 28, 2023
Pentecost Sunday
10:00 A.M.

Prelude Organ Voluntary on *America, the Beautiful* arr. Chad Staten

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Come to Jesus you who are thirsty.

People: *Alleluia!*

Leader: Drink Deeply of the Holy Spirit.

People: *Alleluia!*

Leader: Let your heart flow with the running water that renews the face of the earth.

All: *Let us worship the Risen Lord present with us in through the Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Thanks be to God!*

***Processional Hymn 401** Here in This Place GATHER US IN

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

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

***Affirmation of Faith**

From Confessions of 1967, Sec. 9.07

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer "debts . . . debtors"

Hymnal, Page 35

Call to Offering

Offertory

Take My Life and Let It Be

arr. Greg Howlett

***Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Recessional 340**

This Is My Song

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***Benediction**

Postlude

Recessional

Gordon Young

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Worship leaders this morning are Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Ellen C. Clémot
and Elder and Deacon Co-Moderator Lissa MacCallum.

Our ushers this morning are Cynthia Merwin, John Merwin and Jennifer Pannuzzo.

Thank you to our tabulators Bob Eager and Gordon Leach
and our processor Ann Jadro.

Special thanks to Bob Eager, Gage Johnson and Lynn Apolinaro
for their technical assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT PCCT: May 29 – June 3, 2023

Monday

Office Closed for Memorial Day
7:30 pm Mission & Outreach Mtg., Zoom

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall
7:30 pm Welcoming Mtg., Zoom
Cub Leader Meeting, Theos Rm.

Wednesday

10:30 am Bible Study, Theos Room
5:00 pm Children's Handbells, Room A-8
5:30 pm Children's Choir, Room A-8

Wednesday (cont'd)

7:00 pm Worship & Music Mtg., Staff Conf. Rm.
7:30 pm Men's Fellowship Group, off-site

Thursday

6:00 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Sanctuary
7:15 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Saturday

9:00 am Session Retreat, Halldorson Hall
2:00 pm Community Garden Tutorial

**NEXT SUNDAY, June 4, 2023
The Sacrament of Communion
Recognition of Music Ministry
Commissioning of Youth Mission Trip**

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Lemonade and Fellowship and Reception for
Music Ministry, Mulford Hall
Youth Mission Trip Parents & Participants Meeting,
Halldorson Hall
5:00 pm Pride Vespers, Sanctuary & Mulford Hall
6:30 pm AA, Theos Room

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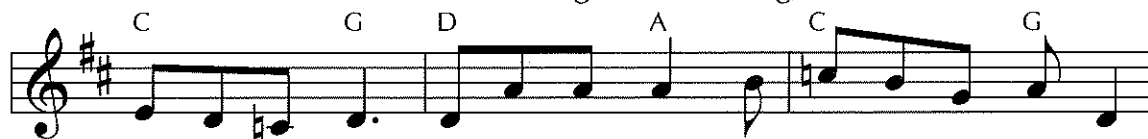
Here in This Place

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Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ish-ed a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



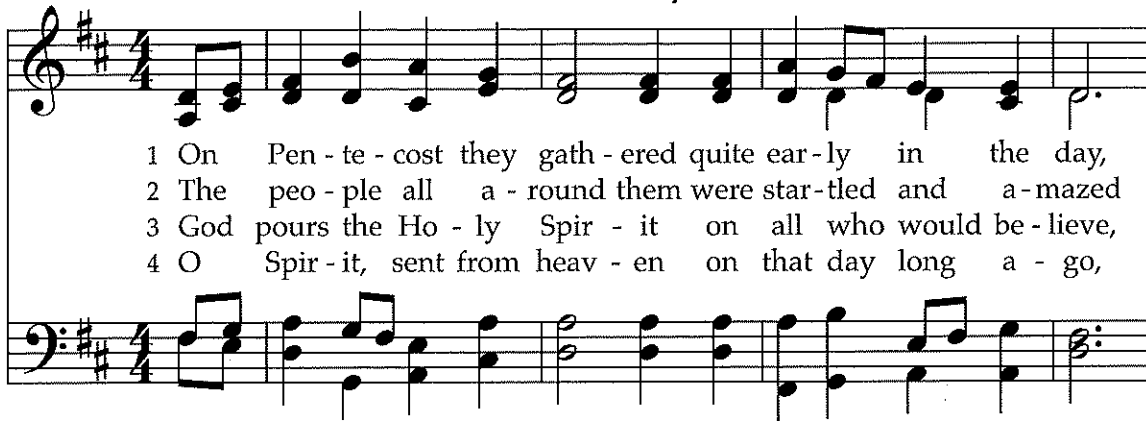
blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



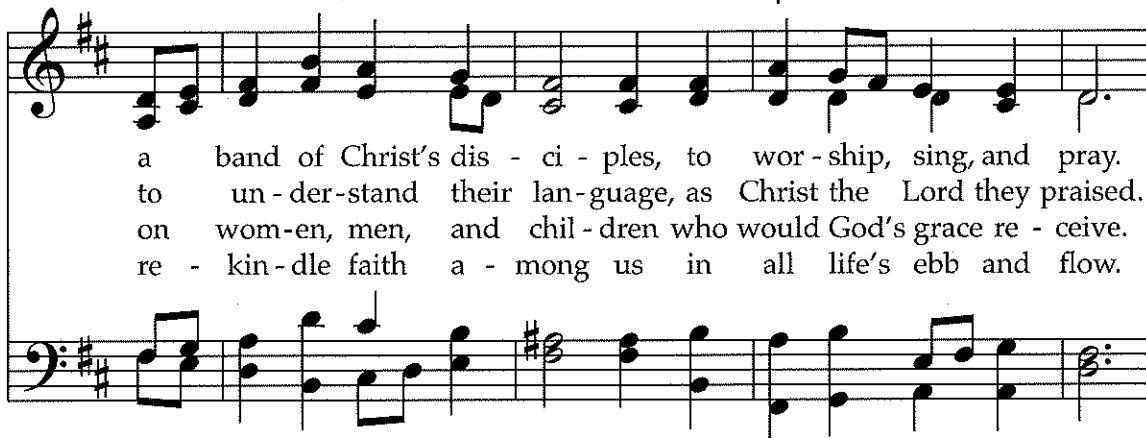
we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

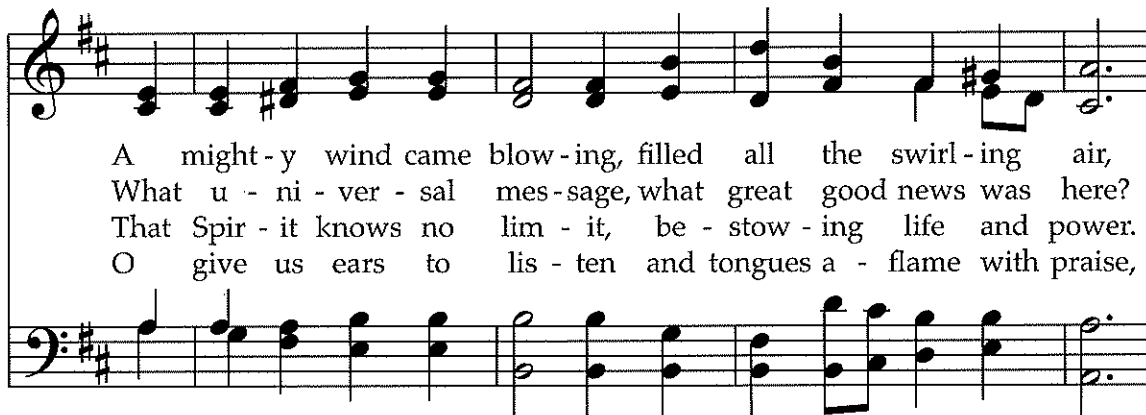
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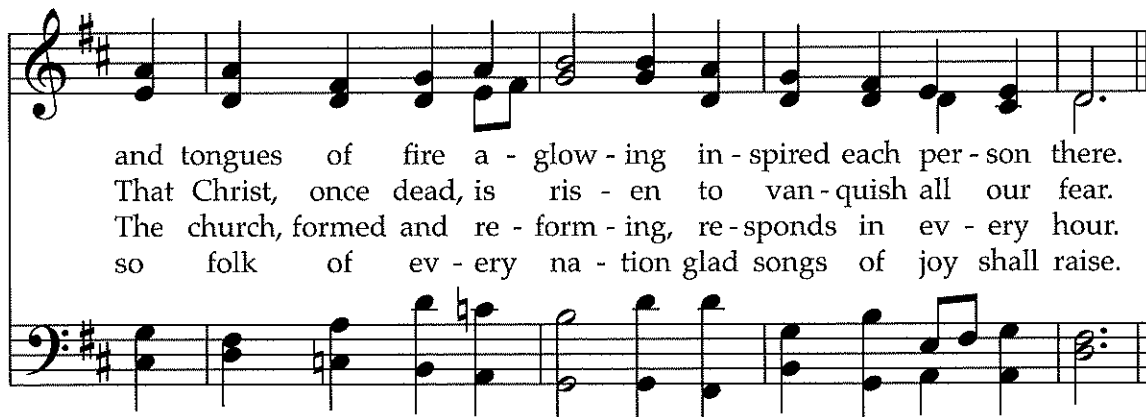
1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,



a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.
 to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.
 on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.
 re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.



A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,



and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.
 That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.
 The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
 so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

This narrative and interpretive text was written to fill what the author perceived as an unfortunate gap in available hymns concerning the Holy Spirit in general and Pentecost in particular. The setting of a 17th-century German tune is from Mendelssohn's oratorio *Elijah*.

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This Is My Song

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 28, 2023

We are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today. Please let an usher or a minister know if we can assist you in any way. Our Sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop system for those with hearing difficulties.

TODAY AT PCCT

Pentecost Sunday

- 10:00 am** Worship; Nursery Care & Pre-K, Rm. A-9
- 11:00 am** Lemonade and Fellowship, Mulford Hall
- 11:15 am** **Seven Marks of the Church Discussion**
On Servant-Leadership, Halldorson Hall
- 6:30 pm** AA, Theos Room

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Shirley Kearns by the Fields family.



ANNUAL MARLA DRURY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: Deadline today

In fond memory of long-time PCCT member Marla Drury, Women's Ministries will be awarding a \$1,000 Marla Drury Memorial Scholarship (MDMS) to a high school senior or current college student, male or female, who is an active PCCT member and exemplifies the same generous, giving spirit as Marla did. Applications are available on our website. The deadline for submission is May 28. Contributions towards the funding of the scholarship are also welcome; make checks payable to PCCT, with "MDMS" in the memo line. Contact Kristin Winter with any questions.

COMMUNITY GARDEN: Summer Garden Tutorials

Saturdays: June 3, 2:00 pm & June 10, 9:00 am

Calling all gardeners! Are you a veteran gardener? Are you a novice interested in learning more? Please join our merry team of gardeners to learn more about maintaining and harvesting our rapidly growing Community Garden. We need people to sign up to help manage the garden on a weekly basis this summer. Written directions will be provided but this introduction will cover watering, weeding and harvesting. Please join us in our mission to help provide produce for local charities. Many hands make light work!

COMMUNITY GARDEN TENDING & HARVESTING: June through September

Our Garden is growing and the harvesting will begin soon! Each week, produce will be picked and shared with Helping Hands for their weekly food distribution on Wednesday afternoons. Volunteers are needed to help with weeding, watering and harvesting one week at a time throughout the summer. You can sign up on our website to be a garden coordinator or volunteer.

PRIDE VESPERS: Sunday, June 4, 5:00 pm

The Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township (PCCT) will host an inaugural "PRIDE Vespers" event that celebrates and affirms the LGBTQ+ community with a message of love. The event will be centered around music, messages of affirmation and love, and include a meaningful moment of candle lighting. The Chancel Choir will be leading the event musically along with the Director of Music, Matthew Zabiegala and they will be performing choral music that expresses, uplifts, and focuses on members of the LGBTQ+ community. This event welcomes all and monetary donations will go to an LGBTQ+ charity.



CHILDREN'S CLUB CHAT & CHEW

Our last mid-week program meeting will be on **Wednesday, June 7** from 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm. Parents are requested to donate \$10 per child per week to cover the cost of the dinners and craft supplies. Please contact our Director of Family Ministries Yvonne Anderson for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: June 19 - June 23, 2023, 8:45 am - 1 pm

This year's Vacation Bible School theme is "*God's Wonder Lab*" and will feature Fun and Creative activities, Lessons, Crafts, Breakfast and Lunch! Sign up today!

FISHAWACK: Saturday, June 10

CALLING ALL PCCT RUNNERS (AND WALKERS TOO)! Mark your calendars now to run the Fishawack Run on Saturday, June 10, 2023. Maybe even invite a friend to motivate each other to get in shape before the Summer. Register at <https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Chatham/JayceesFishawackRun> for the one-mile walk/run starting at 9:00 am or the four-mile run at 9:30 am. Stop by the PCCT booth at the festival afterwards to say hello and have a chance to brag about our Wonderful Church to the Chatham community. For information (or to volunteer), check the PCCT bulletin board in Mulford Hall or contact Gage Johnson at gagerjohnson676@gmail.com (917-207-8019). See you there!

THANKSGIVING IN JUNE: Sunday, June 11

"We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing..." We're familiar with these words in late November but what could be wrong with singing them any time of the year? The Mission and Outreach Committee is pleased to invite you to start humming now and get ready for Sunday, June 11, when we will be collecting non-perishable food during worship to be donated to the Interfaith Food Pantry.

FAITH FORWARD: Helping Hands, Sunday, June 11, 11:15 am

In March of 2020, Chatham resident Joann Carroll created a new initiative, "Helping Hands of Chatham," to facilitate help for local families who found themselves "food insecure" as a result of COVID-19. The inspiration for "Helping Hands of Chatham" came about after witnessing all the different ways the Chatham community bonded together to support each other during this crisis. Join us in Halldorson Hall to hear about Helping Hands and testimonies from families that the organization supports.

HELP US SUPPORT JOHNSONBURG CAMP

Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center in NJ has launched an ambitious capital campaign to raise much needed funds for improvements for facilities and operations, housing options, and site areas. For over 60 years, PCCT has enjoyed using the Camp's facilities for confirmation retreats and other programming events and many of our youth have long-lasting memories from their time attending summer camp at Johnsonburg. Our Mission and Outreach Committee has pledged \$500 towards this campaign, and will match up to an additional \$500 for any PCCT member willing to contribute to the campaign. We invite you to prayerfully consider how you might support this effort. To donate, you can go to our website and choose "miscellaneous" on the drop down menu and write "Johnsonburg Camp" in the notes section. We will be collecting donations until the end of June. For more information about the campaign, visit: <https://www.campjburg.org/marked/>

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY CONCERT!

Save the date for our Caring for the Community Concert on **Saturday, July 15, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm** on the front lawn of the church with music by Blue Soul. Plan to join us! More information to follow!



MUSIC NOTES

You can read all the music notes for today's worship service by using this QR code



VIRTUAL COMMENT BOX

We're glad that you are here worshipping with us! Please share your worship experience with us today and every time that you attend worship. You may submit feedback via the QR code at any time! Open your camera app, hold your phone over the code, and follow the pop-up link. Thank you!

Managed by the Worship & Music Committee

SERMON SERIES INTRODUCTION – Seven Marks of the Church

On April 23, Pastor Clémot began a Sermon Series on the Seven Marks of the church. We began the series with the first mark of the church: Discipleship, the ways we follow Jesus. Each week we invite you to consider ways that you understand the mark of the church as presented that Sunday. Please note down your thoughts on the question prompts placed in the pews each week. Then place them in the offering plate, or the note basket in the narthex, or hand them to Ellen after worship for us to discuss during coffee hour. We are considering how the marks of the church help us feel a sense of belonging to this particular church, the Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township. Thank you for participating – your thoughts will help guide Session as we re-envision the mission of our church!

The Chatham Emergency Squad is having a **Blood Drive** on Saturday, June 10, from 8:30 am-2:30 pm, St. Patrick Church - Parish Gymnasium, 85 Washington Ave., Chatham