



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, February 4, 2024
The Sacrament of Communion
Ordination and Installation of Church Officers
10:00 A.M.

Prelude Bye and Bye, Op. 41, No. 11 arr. William Farley Smith

***Call to Worship** Isaiah 40:21, 31

Leader: Have we not known? Have we not heard?

People: *Has it not been told to us since the beginning?*

Leader: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;

People: *they shall mount up with wings like eagles;*

Leader: they shall run and not be weary;

People: *they shall walk and not faint.*

***Processional Hymn 331** God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand
NATIONAL HYMN

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer Elder Lissa MacCallum

Call to Confession

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God, you are everlasting, the creator of all that is.

Your understanding is beyond measure.

We confess to you that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.

*In your compassion, forgive us, for we place our hope in your steadfast love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn 581**

Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

*Glory Be to 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.*

*(Children are invited to come up to the front pews
for the Ordination and Installation service.)*

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Maury Gately
Clerk of Session

(Children and youth will go downstairs to their classrooms.)

***Hymn 298** (vv. 1, 5)

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the Psalter: Psalm 147:1-7, 20c

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Anthem

Touch That Soothes and Heals arr. Thomas Keesecker
Chancel Choir

Lesson from the Gospels: Mark 1:29-39

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Sermon "It Happened One Sabbath"

The Reverend Thomas A. Brown

***Affirmation of Faith**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967

*In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a
Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs,
temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed
and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women. But his complete
obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their
goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and*

demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which everyone stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

The Prayers of the People

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

Hymnal, Page 35

Call to Offering

Offertory

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

arr. Chuck Marohnic

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**

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

All who put their trust in Jesus are invited and encouraged to partake in Communion. Ushers will serve worshippers in the pews, first the bread, then the cup. Gluten-free elements are available in the center dish on each tray. The ministers will invite you to take the bread and cup all together after all have been served.

Prayer after Communion

***Recessional Hymn 686**

God of Our Life

SANDON

***Benediction**

Postlude

Grand Jeu

Jean Adam Guilain

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This morning's plate offering (gifts received in cash) is designated for the work of our Board of Deacons, which coordinates important ministries of congregational care and compassion. Please remember them in your giving today and on the first Sunday in the months to come.

Today's worship leaders are Associate Pastor Thomas A. Brown
and Elder Lissa MacCallum.

Assisting with the Ordination and Installation service is Clerk of Session, Maury Gately.

Our ushers this morning are Carolyn Smith, Linda Barnes, Jamie Wilson,
Evan Skinner, and Mark Skinner.

Thank you to our tabulators Bob Eager and Lissa MacCallum
and our processor Sandy Batten.

Special thanks to Bob Eager and the tech team
for their assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: February 5 - 10

Monday

11:30 am A New Day, Halldorson Hall
6:30 pm Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall
7:00 pm Deacons, Halldorson Hall

Wednesday

5:45 pm Chat & Chew, Mulford Hall
7:00 pm Elder Training, Staff Conf. Rm.
7:30 pm Men's Fellowship, off-site

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall

NEXT SUNDAY, February 11, 2024

Transfiguration Sunday

Family Promise Hosting Week Begins

9:15 am & 11:00 am Confirmation Class, Youth Suite
10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary; Nursery Care, A-9
10:15 am Church School & Breakfast Club
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall

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331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

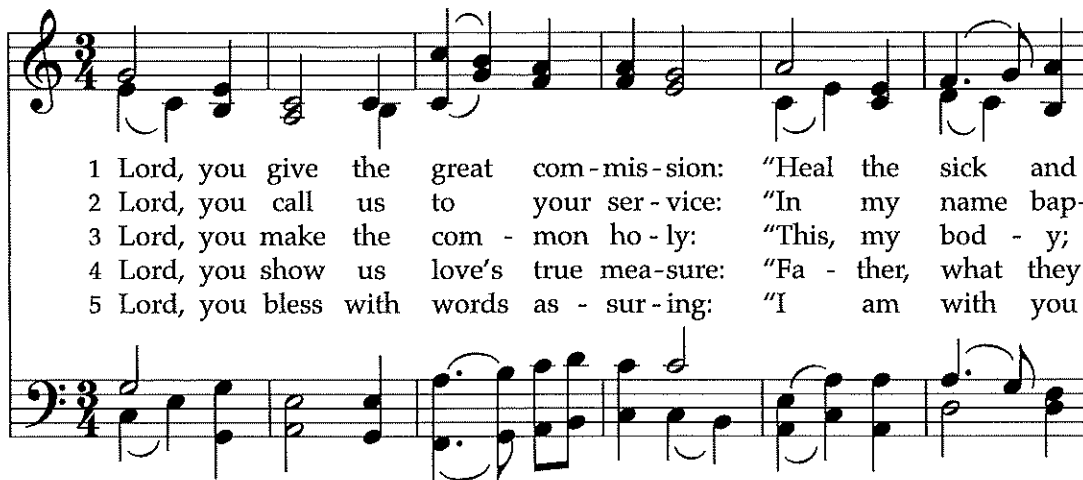
hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

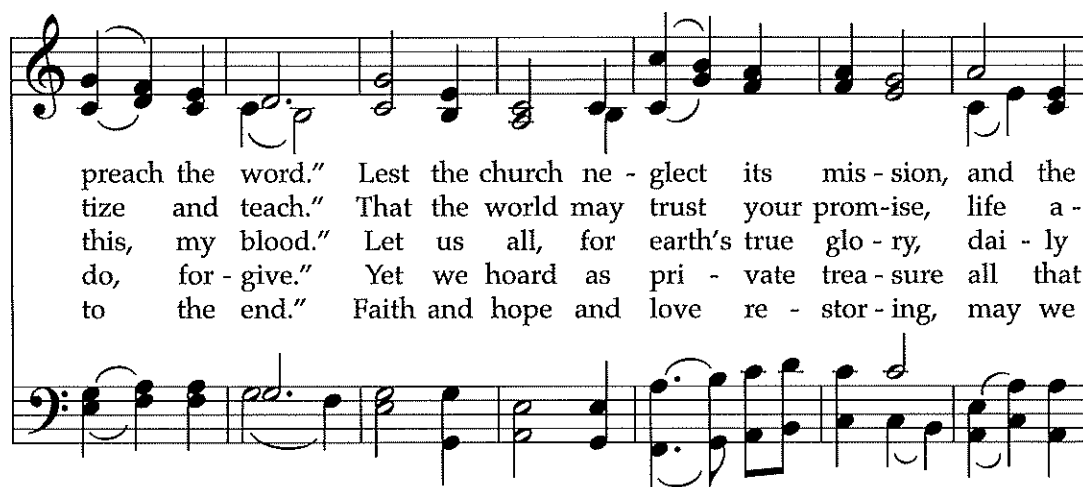
our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

This hymn was generated by 19th-century centennial celebrations: the words by the Declaration of Independence and the music by the adoption of the United States Constitution. Despite these origins, no specific nation is mentioned in this hymn of praise and prayer for peace.

298 Lord, You Give the Great Commission



1 Lord, you give the great com-mis-sion: "Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser-vice: "In my name bap-
 3 Lord, you make the com-mon ho-ly: "This, my bod-y;
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea-sure: "Fa-ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as-sur-ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne-glect its mis-sion, and the
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom-ise, life a-
 this, my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo-ry, dai-ly
 do, for-give." Yet we hoard as pri-verse trea-sure all that
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re-stor-ing, may we



gos-pel go un-heard, help us wit-ness to your
 bun-dant meant for each, give us all new fer-vor,
 lift life heav-en-ward, ask-ing that the world a-
 you so free-ly give. May your care and mer-cy
 serve as you in-tend, and, a-mid the cares that

United by the refrain after each stanza, this text relies on passages from Matthew and Luke to highlight various dimensions of the church's mission and ministry in the world. It was written for use with this tune, composed in the village near Bristol, England, for which it is named.

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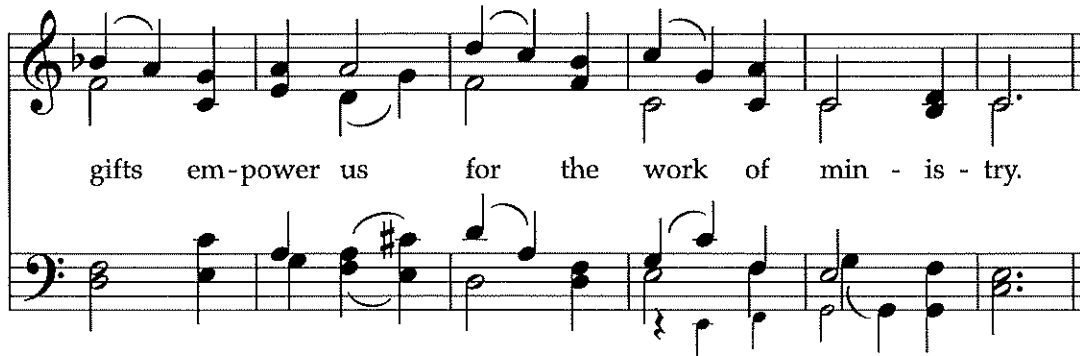
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THE CHURCH



pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty: with the Spir - it's
lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:



gifts em-power us for the work of min - is - try.

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God of Our Life

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1 God of our life, through all the cir-cling years, we trust in thee.
 2 God of the past, our times are in thy hand. With us a - bide.
 3 God of the com - ing years, through paths un-known we fol-low thee.

In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, thy hand we see.
 Lead us by faith to hope's true prom-ised land. Be thou our guide.
 When we are strong, Lord, leave us not a - lone. Our ref-uge be.

With each new day, when morn - ing lifts the veil,
 With thee to bless, the dark - ness shines as light,
 Be thou for us in life our dai - ly bread,

we own thy mer - cies, Lord, which nev - er fail.
 and faith's fair vi - sion chang - es in - to sight.
 our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

This text was created for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, by its pastor. He wrote these words especially for this tune, originally composed for John Henry Newman's text "Lead, Kindly Light."

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MUSIC: Charles Henry Purday, 1860; harm. John Weaver, 1986

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 4, 2024

We are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today. Please let an usher or 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 CHURCH

The Sacrament of Communion

Ordination and Installation of New Officers

10:00 am **Worship, Sanctuary;** Nursery Care, A-9

10:15 am Church School

11:00 am Coffee and Fellowship, Mulford Hall



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Connelly, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, by the Schweizer family.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

To be installed as Elders: Lucy Deutsch, Ellen Dinneen, Kathy Hoffman, Lauren Magill*, and Jamie Wilson.

To be installed as Deacons: Pamela Fairley, Krisztina Krumland*, Cathy McAuliffe, Patti Montefusco, Brittney Pruss*, Jennifer Shunk, and Jaime Troiano*.

**Signifies those being ordained as well as installed. Those who are not present today will be installed at a later date.*

ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER AND WORSHIP

February 14, 6:30 pm, Mulford Hall

As we enter the season of spiritual observance and preparation known as Lent, we gather for a shared meal and casual worship service around tables in Mulford Hall. A main entrée will be provided, with a kid-friendly option available. Please bring a salad, side-dish or dessert to share. A brief time of prayer and reflection with communion will follow the meal. RSVPs appreciated, but not required. You can find a sign-up link in the weekly eblast and on our website.

**ALPHA COURSE: Meeting on Thursday Evenings
February 15 - May 2**

You are invited to join leaders from the Roman Catholic church in the **Alpha Course**, a dinner table conversation and class on Christian faith exploration. They meet at St. Vincent Martyr Church in Madison for dinner (free) on Thursdays at 6:30 pm with conversation and course materials ending at 8:15 pm. Please contact the church office for more information or you can go to the website at St. Vincent Martyr's Church at <https://svmnj.org/alpha> to register and learn more about the course.

**FAITH FORWARD: Learn about LGBTQ+ Homelessness, One Crochet Square at a Time
Sunday, February 25, 11:15 a.m., Halldorson Hall**

Kai Markley, PCCT member and senior at Kent Place School, is going for the Girl Scout Gold Award! We are thrilled to invite the congregation to a morning of education and crocheting! This project (which Pastor Tom helped advise) focuses on raising awareness about LGBTQ+ homeless individuals, specifically transgender people. Kai and their mom have been crocheting squares in the trans pride colors over the last six months and are excited to have PCCT members help connect them. The culmination of the project will be a symbolic donation of the blanket you help to create. No crochet experience necessary!

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! Thank you.



Managed by the Worship & Music Committee

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024: June 24 - 28

Save the Dates: VBS 2024 will be a week long and will include breakfast and lunch! More info to come!

LYRICA CONCERT: Sunday, February 18, 3:00 pm

Catherine Gregory: Just Breathe

Flutist Catherine Gregory together with two acclaimed collaborators— percussionist Ian Rosenbaum and soprano Ariadne Greif —present a program of newly commissioned miniatures based on the inspiration of 'breath,' the essential life-force, all incorporating the world's three 'essential' instruments— flute, percussion, and voice. The composers include Clarice Assad, Viet Chong, Timo Andres, Matthew Evan Taylor, and more. Complimentary tickets are available for members – please call the office to reserve a ticket.