

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, you are a blessing to all people, yet we choose sides and pit "us" against "them." Forgive our divisiveness. Forgive our exclusion. Forgive the ways we fail to seek and share your abundance. Help us build the Beloved Community you desire for us, where all your children may live in peace. 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.*

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the Hebrew Bible: Ezekiel 17:22-24 Page 784

Anthem We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight Karen Marroli

Lesson from the Gospels: Mark 4:26-34 Page 38

Sermon "Cedars and Mustard Bushes" The Reverend Caroline S. Unzaga

***Hymn 716** God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING

***Affirmation of Faith (in unison)** from the Belhar Confession

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

We believe that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world;

Worship Leaders are Parish Associate Rev. Caroline S. Unzaga
and Elder Lissa MacCallum.

Thank you to all of our ushers this morning.

Special thanks to Craig, Lisa and Natalie Duke
for their technical assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH: June 17 - 22, 2024

Monday

7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry,
Griswold Parlor

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall

Wednesday

7:15 pm Christian Ed. Meeting (Zoom)

Friday

2:00 pm Church Office Closes

Saturday

7:30 pm Summit Chorale/Concord
Singers Concert, Sanctuary

NEXT SUNDAY, June 23, 2024

Special Congregational Meeting

Thanksgiving in June

Presentation of the Marla Drury Memorial Scholarships

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

11:00 am Lemonade & Fellowship, Mulford Hall

7:00 pm Compassionate Friends, Choir Room

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366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
 2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

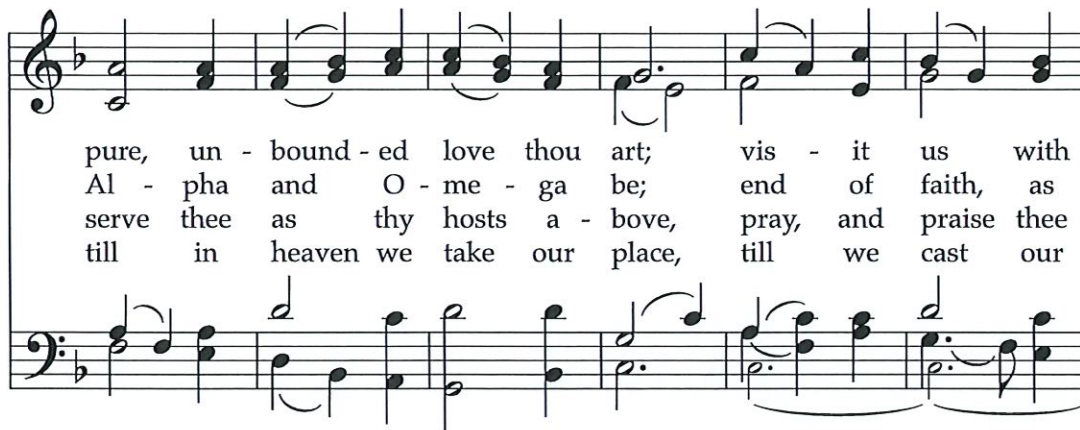
earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;
 find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

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This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means "delightful") gives us a foretaste of endless song.

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)
F Dm B \flat

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) (Bm)
F Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) (D) (A)
B \flat F C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) (F \sharp m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)
Dm Am Dm B \flat C F

to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) (G) (D)
Dm B \flat F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

774 There Is Now a New Creation



1 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ,
 2 Call the lost and found to - geth - er; tell the news to ev - ery - one:
 3 Wrap the prod - i - gal in wel - come; run to greet the way - ward child.
 4 Come and join the cel - e - bra - tion; come and join this hap - py feast;
 5 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ.



peace and rec - on - cil - i - a - tion with the God of end - less life.
 now the past is gone for - ev - er and a new life has be - gun.
 All is fin - ished and for - giv - en; let us now be rec - on - ciled.
 Je - sus makes an in - vi - ta - tion to the great - est and the least.
 Sing, with thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, to the God of end - less life!



At the center of this text stands a reference to the well-known parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11–32), and the fourth stanza forms an effective bridge between that gospel story and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The first and last stanzas draw on 2 Corinthians 5:17.

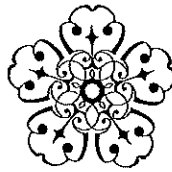
ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 16, 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

7:30 am Youth Mission Trip Departs, PCCT Parking Lot
10:00 am **Worship, Sanctuary; Nursery Care, A-9**
11:00 am Lemonade & Fellowship, Mulford Hall



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God
and in memory of John and Anne Wislocky, parents and grandparents,
from Bob, Gail & Richie Wislocky.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

The Youth Mission Trip departs this morning for Plymouth, North Carolina. From June 16 – 22, 28 high school students and ten adult chaperones will help with home repair projects in partnership with Carolina Rebuilding Ministry. You can follow their work by going to our website: pcct-nj.org

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Session has called for a Special Congregational Meeting of The Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township on Sunday, June 23, 2024, after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. This meeting will be offered in a hybrid format (in person and via Zoom).

The following business will be conducted:

1. To act upon Session's recommendation that PCCT change its pastoral staffing model from a Head of Staff/Associate (2-pastor) model to a single-pastor model.
2. To update the Terms of Call for The Reverend Thomas A. Brown to serve in this position.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Monday, June 17, 7:00 pm

Knitters and crocheters - our next meeting will be on Monday, June 17 at 7:00 pm in Griswold Parlor at church. Please email Anne Fields annekfields@gmail.com or Patti Montefusco atov@aol.com know if you can attend, and bring any completed shawls. If you're a beginner, let them know if you need yarn or needles. We will take a break over the summer and resume meeting in September.

THANKSGIVING IN JUNE FOOD COLLECTION: Sunday, June 23

The Mission & Outreach Committee is sponsoring a "Thanksgiving in June" non-perishable food drive to benefit the Food Distribution Program at Chatham United Methodist Church. Pick up a reusable bag with a shopping list of most needed items after worship today and return it to church on or before next Sunday, June 23. Lists will be inside the bags and bags are in a bin inside the glass doors.

NOURISH.NJ BREAKFAST BAGS: June 17 - 26

Thank you to everyone who supports this mission each month. The bags for June may be dropped off at Mulford Hall at the church between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 pm between June 17 - 26. You can sign up on our website or on the board in the Upper Lobby.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024: June 24 – 28

We are busy preparing for this year's VBS program. The theme is the *Ultimate Scavenger Hunt!* It features fun and creative activities, lessons, crafts, breakfast and lunch! Volunteers are always needed. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Yvonne Anderson at yanderson@pcct-nj.org.

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

Thank you to all of our volunteers – we have had a very productive week! We weeded the peas, pole beans, cucumbers and swiss chard, fertilized, watered, harvested peas, lettuces, bush beans, herbs, radishes, arugula and spinach, cut back radishes, arugula and spinach, planted Nasturtiums and purple/wax bush beans, and staked up peas and pole beans. We are looking for a few more helpers for each week during the summer to weed, harvest and pack up for delivery to Helping Hands. We can work with your schedule. Please sign-up on our website or through our weekly Thursday eblast to help at the garden.

BRICK CAMPAIGN!

Leave a lasting impression on our church grounds by personalizing a brick with your name, a heartfelt message, or a tribute to someone dear to you. Whatever the message, your financial support will go towards increasing the Building Reserve and contribute to the beautification of our church.

Deadline: 1st order deadline is June 15; 2nd order deadline is July 15

Cost: 4"x8" \$250.00 (replica available for \$50)

8"x8" \$450.00 (replica available for \$75)



Look for links in our eblasts and on our website or you can scan the QR code. Join us in this meaningful journey as we pave the way for a brighter future together!

Germany & Czechia Tour



July 2024

SUMMIT CHORALE AND CONCORD SINGERS CONCERT:

Saturday, June 22 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary

Join us for a special Farewell Concert featuring Summit Chorale and the Concord Singers in preparation for their joint Concert Tour to Germany and Czechia in July! Under the masterful direction of their Artistic Directors, Dr. Thomas Juneau and Matthew Zabiegala, the combined ensembles will present repertoire they will perform on their travels to Berlin, Leipzig, and Prague. Highlights include "Jesu Meine Freude" by J.S. Bach, "Zigeunerlieder" by J. Brahms, "Verlieh uns frieden" by F. Mendelssohn, "Lorelei" by C. Schumann, and more! Free Admission.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

Congratulations to our PCCT graduates and to their proud families!



Our 2024 High School Graduates

Maya Bilanin

Kai Markley

Luc D'Costa

Audrey Meyers

Natalie Duke

Robert Patten

Kate Howell

Josephine Pruss

Julia Kleinle

Lilly Shunk

Dylan Mangel

Rebecca Williams

GRADUATIONS

Next week, we will be printing the names of those in our congregation who have graduated from college, or another school or program. Please call or email our office at pcctoffice@pcct-nj.org and let us know if you have a graduate in your family that we can recognize and celebrate in our bulletin next week. Congratulations to all!