



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, July 28, 2024
10:00 A.M.

Prelude

God is Here

Maureen Howell

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Your creation gives thanks to you, O God.

People: *And we, your faithful, bless you.*

Leader: We shall speak of the glory of your realm and tell of your power.

People: *We shall let all people know your mighty deeds and glorious splendor.*

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

People: *...and also with you.*

***Hymn 409**

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God, you uphold those who are falling and raise up all who are bowed down. Therefore, we confess our sin – both things we have done and things we have left undone – in every confidence that you will open your hands to us in an embrace of forgiveness and love. 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 Psalms: Psalm 145:10-18

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Anthem

The Call (from *Five Mystical Songs*)
Cameron Mustizer, vocalist

Ralph Vaughn Williams

Lesson from the New Testament: Ephesians 3:14-21

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Sermon "The Fullness of God"

The Reverend Thomas A. Brown

*Hymn 42

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

WINCHESTER NEW

*Affirmation of Faith

Colossians 1:15–20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: July 29 – August 3, 2024

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Staff Conference Room

Friday

2:00 pm Church Office Closes

NEXT SUNDAY, August 4, 2024

The Sacrament of Communion

10:00 am Worship, Halldorson Hall

11:00 am Lemonade & Fellowship, Mulford Hall

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God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an

of - fer praise and prayer, may we find in
 life - long need of grace; here are ta - ble,
 Shep - herd's flock and fold; here as bread and
 age of change and doubt keep us faith - ful

full - er mea - sure what it is in Christ we share.
 font, and pul - pit; here the cross has cen - tral place.
 wine are tak - en, Christ sus - tains us as of old.
 to the gos - pel; help us work your pur - pose out.

Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship. The tune was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

TEXT: Fred Pratt Green, 1979, rev. 1988

MUSIC: Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941

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ABBOT'S LEIGH

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Here, as in the world a - round us, all our
 Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing, here in
 Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant seek in
 Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion, all we

var - ied skills and arts wait the com - ing
 si - lence, as in speech, here, in new - ness
 wor - ship to ex - plore what it means in
 have to give, re - ceive: we, who can - not

of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure 42

(Psalm 145)

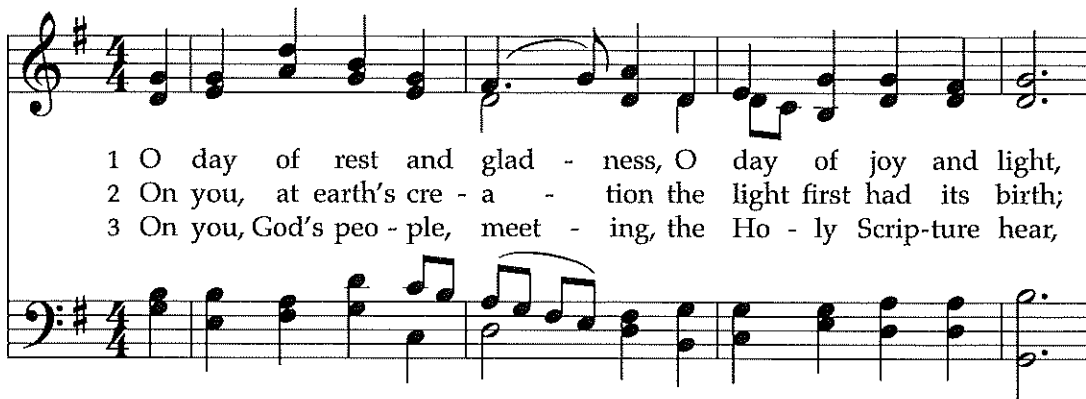
1 Your faith - ful - ness, O Lord, is sure in
 2 The eyes of all are fixed on you; by
 3 Lord, you are just in all your ways, and
 4 My mouth shall speak your praise, O Lord; my

all your words, your gra - cious deeds; you gen - tly lift all
 you their wants are all sup - plied; your o - pen hand is
 kind in ev - ery - thing you do; for - ev - er near you
 soul shall bless your ho - ly name; let all things liv - ing

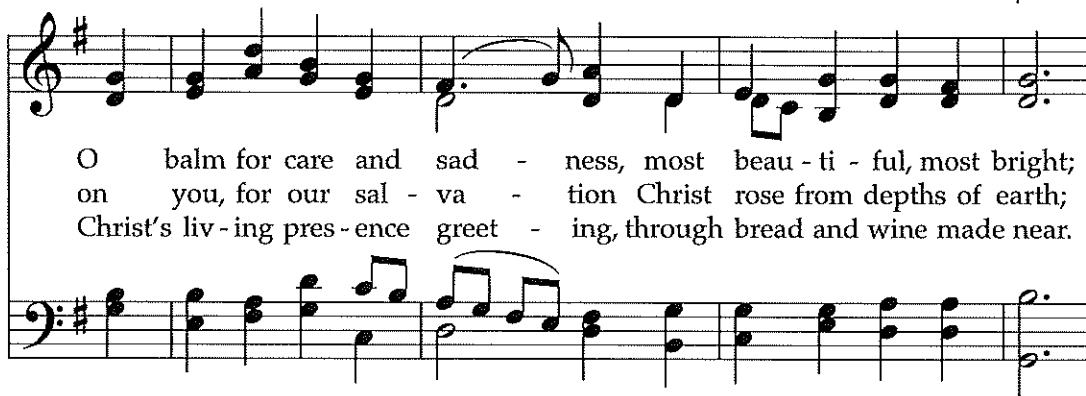
bur - dened souls and well pro - vide for all our needs.
 boun - ti - ful and ev - ery soul is sat - is - fied.
 stand to hear and help all those who call on you.
 join the song of praise, from age to age the same.

This paraphrase of verses from the latter part of Psalm 145 celebrates God's providential care for all creation, especially for those in any need or trouble. This anonymous German tune was apparently introduced to English hymnody by John Wesley in a 1742 music collection.

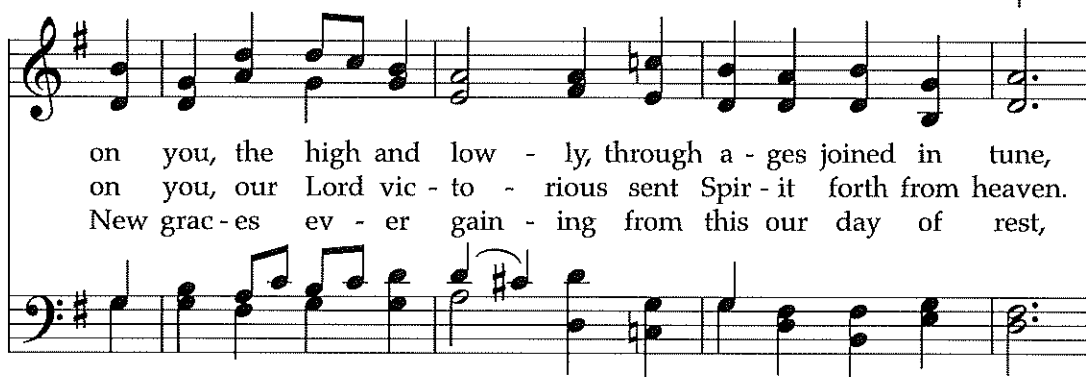
393 O Day of Rest and Gladness




1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion the light first had its birth;
3 On you, God's peo - ple, meet - ing, the Ho - ly Scrip-ture hear,



O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
on you, for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
Christ's liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through bread and wine made near.



on you, the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
on you, our Lord vic - to - rious sent Spir - it forth from heaven.
New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,



sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly" to the great God tri - une.
And thus on you, most glo - rious, a tri - ple light was given.
we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

In this text the first day of the week represents a threefold commemoration of Creation, Resurrection, and Pentecost—each an encounter with Trinitarian activity centered on one of the Three Persons. The tune name recalls the secular German song adapted for use with several hymns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 28, 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.

TODAY AT CHURCH

10:00 am Worship, Halldorson Hall

11:00 am Lemonade & Fellowship, Mulford Hall



CHANCEL FLOWERS

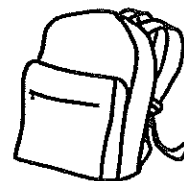
The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the wonderful PCCT staff, from the MacCallum family.

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

The garden is in full swing! There are lots of tomatoes ripening and plenty of green beans and Swiss Chard to be picked. Eggplant is coming in nicely too! Check out our progress in pictures on the bulletin board in the Lounge. Volunteers are always needed to help with weeding, watering and harvesting one week at a time throughout the summer. Please sign-up on our website. Thanks for everyone's contributions and support.

2024 BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK DRIVE

Once again, PCCT is partnering with Project Readiness NJ to provide backpacks to children in need. We've been given a list of 15 high school children who will need a backpack full of school supplies for the upcoming year. From now through August 4, you can drop off items at the church office or in the designated box in the Upper Lobby. On August 11th, we'll assemble the backpacks during a special summer Faith Forward event following worship at 11:00 am (see below). The PCCT office will be bulk buying some of the items, so if you'd like to make a monetary donation instead of shopping, that would be most welcome (check payable to PCCT with "Backpacks" in the memo line). To donate items, you can sign up on our website or through the link in the weekly eblast. Be sure to click the "View Full Description" link as it contains a link to Amazon for the purchase of backpacks and calculators - two of our most needed items.



FAITH FORWARD: Assembling Backpacks Sunday, August 11, 11:00 am in Mulford Hall

We will assemble all the donated items to our Backpack Drive and prepare 15 backpacks for children in need. This drive is in partnership with Project Readiness NJ. Thank you to all who donated school supplies and gave donations. Please join us on August 11 after worship to put everything together.

MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Calling all Members! – As we continue to develop new ways to secure funds to maintain our physical plant, the Finance and Operations Committee would like to hear from any of our members who have experience working with charitable organizations that make donations to organizations such as PCCT. We have received grants in the past from organizations such as The Hyde and Watson Foundation and would like to identify similar organizations with whom you have interacted. Please contact John McCann at 973-202-0740 or mccannjohn0@gmail.com to discuss!

FLOWER DEDICATIONS

We still have some Sundays available this summer (Aug. 25, & Sept. 1) and throughout the end of the year. If you would like to place a dedication, you may go to our website or you can call the church office at (973) 635-2340 or email Gloria at gnewson@pcct-nj.org. You may also sign up on the flower chart in the upper lobby. *Thank you!*