



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, October 20, 2024
10:00 A.M.

Prelude Be Thou My Vision arr. Greg Howlett

***Call to Worship** Thom Schumann

Leader: Here is the place where we can bring our pain and hopes.

People: For our God carries them with us.

Leader: Here is the place where we can listen for our calling.

People: For Jesus invites us to serve with him in the world.

Leader: Here is the place where we are surrounded by grace.

People: For the Spirit hears our hearts and heals them.

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

People: ...and also with you.

***Processional Hymn 39** Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful and gentle God, we have wanted reward without sacrifice. We have been unwilling to serve and have not humbled ourselves in obedience. Forgive our hubris, gracious God. Correct our ignorant ways and help us to know your glory through servanthood. Guide us to be true followers of your way, 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.*

Message for All God's Children

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the Old Testament: Micah 6:6-8

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Anthem

What Does the Lord Require
Chancel Choir

Eric Nelson

Lesson from the Gospels: Mark 10:35-45

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Sermon "A Joyful Duty"

The Reverend H. Daniel Lewis

***Hymn 625**

O Lord My God

HOW GREAT THOU ART

***Affirmation of Faith (in unison)**

Allen & Sara Ewing-Merrill

We believe in God, Creator of the universe, Giver of every good gift, Author of life itself. We believe in Jesus Christ, who reminded us of the coming of God's kingdom, who commanded us to care for those in need, who taught us to store up treasures in heaven, not on earth, and who gave us the example of self-giving love. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who inspires us to faithful stewardship of God's gifts, in whom we live and move and have our being, by whom all things are possible. We believe that God has given us gifts to be shared freely and generously, in a spirit of love and joy. We acknowledge that we are merely stewards of all that is God's, caretakers of God's home. We believe that faithful stewardship is an act of worship, a means of praising God who has blessed us so abundantly. We believe that God has great things in store for us, for it is in giving that we receive.

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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 Offering

Offertory Great Is Thy Faithfulness arr. Matthew Zabiegala

*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

*Hymn O God Beyond All Praising (see insert)

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation arr. Cindy Berry

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Today's worship leaders are Rev. Dan Lewis,
Rev. Thomas A. Brown and Elder Kathy Hoffman.

Thank you to Sandy Batten, our guest pianist, this morning.

Our ushers this morning are Linda Barnes, Andy Brummer,
Ed Kostrowski, and Mark Schmitter.

Special thanks to Bob Eager and Craig Duke
for their technical assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: October 21 - 26, 2024

Monday

1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open
7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry,
Griswold Hall
Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall
1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open
7:30 pm Dev. & Comm. Mtg., off-site

Wednesday

9:30 am Bible Study, Theos Room
1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open

Thursday

1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open
6:45 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Bell Room
7:45 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Friday

1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open

Saturday

1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open

NEXT SUNDAY, October 27, 2024

10:00 am **Worship**, Sanctuary; Nursery, Room A-9
10:15 am Church School & Breakfast Club
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall
Pumpkin Patch Open
3:00 pm Thomas Keesecker Concert, Sanctuary

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39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

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Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 배 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

O Lord My God

How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der and hear the
 3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion and take me



all the *worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, when I look down from
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then *I shall bow in



hear the *roll-ing thun-der, thy power through-out the
 loft-y moun-tain gran-deur and hear the brook and
 bur-den glad-ly bear-ing, he bled and died to
 hum-ble ad-o-ra-tion, and there pro-claim, "My



*Author's original words are "works," "mighty," and "shall I bow."

This tuneful retelling of the salvation story began in Swedish and was translated into German and then into Russian before reaching its English form. Despite such linguistic and musical revisions, it continues to be a meaningful source of comfort to many people.

TEXT: Stuart K. Hine, 1953; Spanish trans. Arturo W. Hotton Rives, alt.; Korean trans. anon.

MUSIC: Swedish folk melody; adapt. Stuart K. Hine, 1949

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

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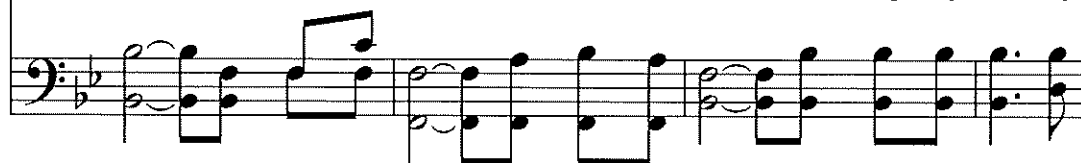
Refrain



u - ni - verse dis - played:
 feel the gen - tle breeze: Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to
 take a - way my sin:
 God, how great thou art!"



thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my



Sav - ior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!



KOREAN

1 주 하나님 지으신 모든 세계
 내마음 속에 그리어 볼때
 하늘의 별 울려 퍼지는 너성
 주님의 권능 우주에 찾네

후렴 주님의 높고 위대하심을
 내영혼이 찬양하네
 주님의 높고 위대하심을
 내영혼이 찬양하네

2 숲속이나 험한산 골짜에서
 지저귀는 저 새소리들과
 고요하게 흐르는 시냇물은
 주님의 숨씨 노래하도다 후렴

3 주 하나님 독생자 아낌없이
 우리를 위해 보내주셨네
 십자가에 피흘려 죽으신 주
 내모든 죄를 대속하셨네 후렴

4 내주 예수 세상에 다시 올 때
 저천국으로 날 인도하리
 나 겸손히 엎드려 경배하며
 영원히 주를 찬양하리라 후렴

SPANISH

1 Señor, mi Dios, al contemplar los cielos,
 el firmamento y las estrellas mil,
 al oír tu voz en los potentes truenos
 y ver brillar al sol en su cenit,

Estrillo Mi corazón se llena de emoción.
 ¡Cuán grande es Él! ¡Cuán grande es Él!
 Mi corazón se llena de emoción.
 ¡Cuán grande es Él! ¡Cuán grande es Él!

2 Al recorrer los montes y los valles
 y ver las bellas flores al pasar,
 al escuchar el canto de las aves
 y el murmurar del claro manantial, Estrillo

3 Cuando recuerdo de tu amor divino
 que desde el cielo al Salvador envió,
 al buen Jesús, que por salvarme vino
 y en una cruz por mí sufrió y murió, Estrillo

4 al dulce hogar, al cielo de esplendor;
 te adoraré, cantando la grandeza
 de tu poder y tu infinito amor. Estrillo

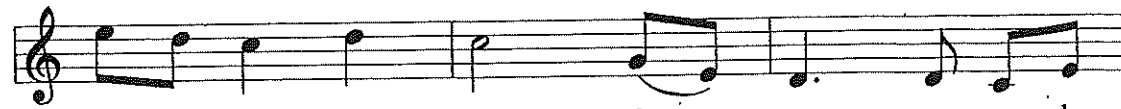
O God Beyond All Praising 2009



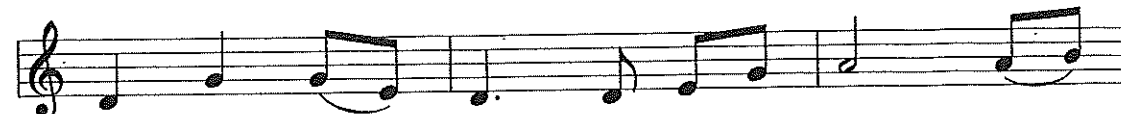
1. O God be-yond all prais - ing, we wor-ship you to -
 2. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we



day and sing the love a - maz - ing that
 bring, that we who know your fa - vor may



songs can - not re - pay; for we can on - ly
 serve you as our king; and whe - ther our to -



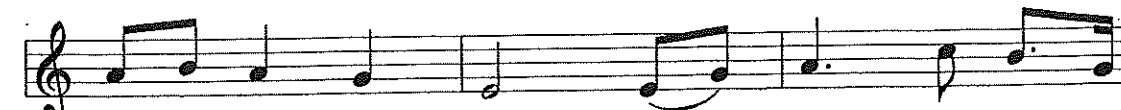
won - der at ev - ery gift you send, at
 mor - rows be filled with good or ill, we'll



bles - sings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out
 tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you



end: We lift our hearts be - fore you and
 still: To mar - vel at your beau - ty and



wait up - on your Word, we hon - or and a -
 glo - ry in your ways, and make a joy - ful



dore you, our great and might - y Lord,
 du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 20, 2024

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

- 9:15 am & 11:00 am Confirmation Class, Youth Suite
10:00 am **Worship, Sanctuary; Nursery, Room A-9**
10:15 am Church School & Breakfast Club
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Upper Lobby
Pumpkin Patch Open
4:00 pm **Rev. Thomas A. Brown's Installation Service
& Reception, Sanctuary & Mulford Hall**
7:00 pm Compassionate Friends, Halldorson Hall



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Susan and Ralph Johnson, parents,
by Nancy Johnson.

WELCOME REV. DAN LEWIS

This morning, we welcome The Reverend H. Daniel Lewis to the pulpit. Dan recently retired after a 40 year career in ministry, serving churches in New Jersey, Illinois, and Indiana. He was also employed as a development officer by the Presbyterian Foundation and the American Cancer Society. Dan is married to The Reverend Jennifer Burns Lewis, who serves as the Visioning and Connecting Leader of the Presbytery of Wabash Valley. They have two children, Claire (Ben) and Duncan (Amy) as well as four grandchildren and are the godparents of Zach and Nathan Brown.

INSTALLATION OF REV. THOMAS A. BROWN AS PASTOR OF PCCT – TODAY!

This afternoon at 4:00 pm will be the Service of Installation of Rev. Thomas A. Brown as Pastor of PCCT! This service of worship and celebration is led by a commission of elders and pastors from the presbytery and is open to the community and congregation. The service will feature our chancel choir and some special guests. A reception will follow the service. We hope you will be able to join us for this special service.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Monday, October 21, 7:00 pm in Griswold Parlor

Calling all knitters and crocheters – beginners, experts, and anyone in between are welcome! The prayer shawl ministry will be meeting in Griswold Parlor on Monday, October 21 at 7 pm. Refreshments will be provided, so we can sip, stitch, chat, and learn to knit. Yarn and needles will be provided if you're a beginner or don't have a project in the works. Please contact the church office for details.

NOURISH.NJ BREAKFAST BAGS: Due Wednesday, October 23

Drop off the bags at Mulford Hall at the church between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 pm by Wednesday, October 23. You can sign up on our website or on the board in the Upper Lobby for November.

MARKET STREET MISSION COAT COLLECTION: Due Date October 22

The last day for donating gently used coats and homemade or new hats/gloves/scarves to be distributed to those in need in our community and surrounding area is this Tuesday, October 22. The big collection box is in the upper lobby. Coats will be picked up on October 23. Thank you for all your donations!



COMMUNITY GARDEN FALL CLEAN UP

Saturday, November 2, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Our garden is still going strong with crops of arugula, mixed lettuces, eggplant, tomatoes and Rainbow Swiss Chard. Our carrots, Brussel Sprouts, spinach and cabbage are coming along nicely too. We have decided to push back our clean up day by one week to Saturday, November 2. Please join us to clean out the raised beds and prepare the garden for its winter rest. You can sign up on our website. Thank you!

PUMPKIN PATCH: Volunteers needed!!

A favorite mission and volunteer experience! To sell pumpkins on the front lawn, sign up in the Upper Lobby; through our e-blasts; on our website; or call the church office 973-635-2340. 100% of the proceeds go to local hunger relief efforts.



2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN Investing in the Future of Our Youth

The future of our church shines brightly in the eyes of our children and youth. By supporting the "Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow" campaign, you're helping us create dynamic programs that nurture their growth and faith. **Remember to mail in your pledge card, bring it to worship on November 24, or make your pledge online.** Together we can ensure a vibrant future for our church.

DINNER CHURCH: Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 pm in Mulford Hall

Save the date for our second Dinner Church, an informal, all-ages worship service with the theme of **Gratitude**. Come as you are for a casual dinner and time to center your week around the sustaining presence of God. The meal is being lovingly prepared by our children, under the direction of Ms. Yvonne Anderson. They will also have a hand in designing elements of the service, helping participants to express a shared sense of thanksgiving. Expect to be fed in body, mind, and spirit. Please sign up to attend via our website or weekly e-blasts.

COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NJ: Saturday, November 16, 9:00 – 11:00 am

Our next day to join us at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey in Hillside is coming up. Volunteers ages 12 and up generally help sort and repackage food for distribution. Carpooling can be arranged as needed. Advance signups are required. Please contact Joslin Ruffle at joscokson@aol.com for more information.

THOMAS KEESECKER CONCERT: October 27, 3:00 pm, in the Sanctuary

Thomas Keesecker will share music from his bestselling piano collections in a 75-minute concert. Keesecker, a composer and church musician as well as performer, is known around the country for his sensitive, delightful, and meditative piano arrangements of hymns. At this concert, we'll be able to sing some of them together, as well as listen to his interpretations. The hymns will be interspersed with poetry by Mary Oliver and Wendell Berry, two of the most beloved and profound poets of the 20th and 21st centuries. CDs of his music will be available for purchase after the concert. Tom retired in 2019 after serving as a church musician for over 40 years in Lutheran and Roman Catholic parishes in Virginia, Montana, and Maryland. His sacred music is published by MorningStar, Augsburg Fortress, Choristers Guild, Concordia, and GIA. He studied at the Berklee College of Music in Boston and the Catholic University School of Music in Washington, D.C. He mixes classical technique, jazz improvisation, Celtic and folk music influences in his arrangements. His music may be listened to on Amazon Music and YouTube.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE: Donate to Hurricane Helene Response

The impact of Helene has been felt across multiple states. With the storm surge, wind damage, and flooding, it is crucial to have the necessary resources to support the many communities that are affected. Helene caused devastating damage in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee. Your generous gifts will bring hope and encouragement. To make a donation, go to pda.pcusa.org/situation/hurricane-helene