



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, January 26, 2025
Annual Meeting and Winter Breakfast
10:00 A.M.

Prelude

They'll Know We Are Christians
Sanctuary Ringers

arr. Anna Laura Page

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We praise you, God, for the diversity of your body.

People: *By God's Spirit, we are one.*

Leader: From diverse backgrounds and diverse places,

People: *by God's Spirit, we are one.*

Leader: From diverse cultures and diverse generations,

People: *by God's Spirit, we are one.*

Leader: From diverse questions and diverse dreams,

People: *by God's Spirit, we are one.*

Leader: We celebrate our diversity. We celebrate our unity.

People: *By God's Spirit, we are one. Thanks be to God!*

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

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

***Processional Hymn 409**

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

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

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Thom Schuman

Do we make you laugh or weep, Gracious God? We sing that we are one in your Spirit, but cannot tolerate those who disagree with us. We talk of being one Body, but fight over things that in the end do not much matter. We speak of the giftedness of each person, but heap honor on just a special few. Forgive us, Creative God, that we would dismember your Body so easily. May the words of our mouths speak peace to the brokenness in our world; may the hopes of our hearts bring wonder to those in despair; and may our love embrace all who are around us, even as we have been welcomed by your grace in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

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

(Children and youth will go downstairs for Church School.)

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the New Testament: 1 Corinthians 12:12-20

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Anthem

I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light
Chancel Choir

arr. Dan Forrest

Lesson from the New Testament: 1 Corinthians 12:21-31

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Sermon "Members Together"

The Reverend Thomas A. Brown

*Hymn 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

*Affirmation of Faith

We belong to God, eternal and infinite, Creator of all things and all that is to come. We follow Christ, who comes to us from God and reveals God to us. He

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: January 27 – February 1, 2025

Monday

- 9:30 am Next Act, Theos Room
7:00 pm Finance & Operations Meeting, Zoom
Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall
7:30 pm Mission & Outreach Meeting, Zoom

Tuesday

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall

Wednesday

- 9:30 am Bible Study, Theos Room
5:00 pm Children's Music, Choir Room
5:45 pm Chat & Chew, Mulford Hall
7:00 pm Fellowship Meeting, Zoom

Thursday

- 10:00 am Memorial Garden Meeting, Staff Conference Room
6:45 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Bell Room
7:45 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

NEXT SUNDAY, February 2, 2025

The Sacrament of Communion

Ordination & Installation of New Officers

- 10:00 am** Worship, Sanctuary; Nursery Care, A-9
10:15 am Church School & Breakfast Club
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall
11:15 am Faith Forward: Interfaith Dialogue, Halldorson 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.

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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.

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!

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em)

(Bm)

(Em)

Fm

Cm

Fm



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am)

(Em)

B^bm

Fm



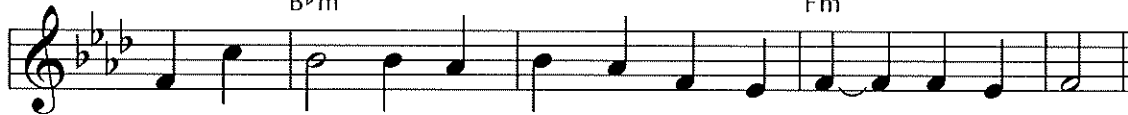
we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am)

(Em)

B^bm

Fm



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain

(C)

(Em)

D^b

Fm



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our

(Am)

(Em)

(Am)

(Bm)

(Em) (Am/E) (Em)

B^bm

Fm

B^bm

Cm

Fm B^bm/F Fm

love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

317 In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet

south or north, but one great fel - low -
 mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the
 race may be. All chil - dren of the
 south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

This setting expands and enhances the thematic inclusiveness of an early 20th-century text by adapting the melody of a traditional spiritual to carry these words. This 1940 pairing marked the first use of African American musical material in a mainline North American hymnal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 26, 2025

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

10:00 am **Worship, Sanctuary; Nursery Care, A-9**
10:15 am **Extended Church School & Breakfast Club**
11:00 am **Annual Meeting & Winter Breakfast, Mulford Hall**
3:00 pm **Lyrica Concert & Reception, Sanctuary & Lounge**



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Irene Keating and Jane Ogsbury, loving mothers and grandmothers, by Jeff and Sue Keating.

ANNUAL MEETING & WINTER BREAKFAST: This morning in Mulford Hall

Please join us today for our Winter Breakfast and the Annual Meeting in Mulford Hall following worship. Your attendance is important as we vote on Nominating Committee recommendations for Elders and Deacons, Audit Committee and the Terms of Call for the Pastor. We'll also review the 2025 Budget as approved by the Session and the Annual Financial Reports from 2024.

LYRICA: Today at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary

JUST ANNOUNCED: pianist Timo Andres has graciously stepped in to perform in place of Inna Faliks, who was forced to withdraw due to the wildfires in Los Angeles. He performs a program of American piano music, with Duke Ellington as the through-line. Please stay after the concert for a reception in the Upper Lounge and an opportunity to meet the artist.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Help Secure PCCT's future – Our Capital Campaign Has Begun!

PCCT is embarking on an exciting journey to secure our future with a \$260,000 capital campaign – *Renewal 2025: A Vision for Tomorrow, Built Today* – to address critical infrastructure needs. Your support will help us replace aging HVAC units, repair our roof, and eliminate escalating repair costs, ensuring a safe, welcoming space for generations to come. This is a special gift, separate from the annual Stewardship campaign, and every contribution makes a difference. To give, please go to our website at pcct-nj.org and select the "Give Now" tab. Thank you.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS: Sunday, February 2

The Ordination and Installation Service will take place on Sunday, February 2 during worship. Please join us as we welcome our new elders and deacons into the ministry of the church.

FAITH FORWARD: INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND SHARED WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

Sundays, February 2 and March 7

Join us in worship on Sunday, February 2, as we welcome friends from Congregation Beth Hatikvah. Following the 10:00 am service, we will have a special Faith Forward program of interfaith dialogue. Facilitated by Rev. Tom Brown and Rabbi Allyson Zacharoff from Beth Hatikvah, this time of casual conversation is intended to open doors toward greater mutual understanding. Save the evening of Friday, March 7 for a gathering and Shabbat service at Beth Hatikvah in Summit.

FELLOWSHIP DROP-IN EVENT

Friday, February 7, 6:00 pm at Untied Brewing Company in New Providence

Start off the New Year spending a casual evening with PCCT friends. This will be a "drop-in" event - no RSVP required. BYOF (Bring Your Own Food. Outside alcohol is not permitted.) Friends are invited! For questions, contact Rob Eisenhardt at rob.eisenhardt@gmail.com. The brewing company is located at 140 Spring Street Unit C in New Providence.

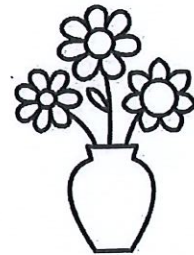


SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: Sunday, February 9

This year's Confirmation Class is sponsoring PCCT's participation in the *Souper Bowl of Caring* in conjunction with the big game. To date, almost \$200 million has been raised nationwide for local charities to make a difference as they collect food, raise money and volunteer with charities that provide shelter to the homeless and food to the hungry. On Sunday, February 9th, the Confirmation Class will collect donations for the *Souper Bowl of Caring* following the 10 am worship service, both monetary and donations of canned soup will be gladly accepted!

FLOWER MINISTRY: Many dates are open!

Thank you to everyone who dedicates flowers each Sunday. Your continued support allows us to continue the care and connection of the Deacons' flower ministry by delivering flowers to members of our congregation as a sign of appreciation, celebration, or concern on behalf of the church. To place a dedication for 2025, you can sign up on the board in the Upper Lobby or on our website (click on the "News" tab). If you have any questions, please contact Gloria in the church office at 973-635-2340.



SAVE THE DATE: BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday March 9, 9:00 am-2:00 pm in Halldorson Hall

You can scan the QR code to register early.



**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE
FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES**

Our hearts are with all our siblings who have been affected by the devastating wildfires that have affected thousands of people and multiple communities across California. The PC(USA) affirms our commitment to accompany those affected by this disaster. As people of God, once again we are called to stand with our neighbors. PDA is in communication with the affected presbyteries to offer resources in the aftermath of the fires. We pray for all lives affected. To learn more and to help by giving, go to

<https://www.pcusa.org/disaster-assistance/active-responses/national-disaster/southern-california-wildfires>



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