

**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday, June 28, 2020

9:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 8

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Offrande*

Flor Peeters

***OPENING HYMN:** "All Praise to Thee"

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

PEOPLE: Behold our God is a Creator.

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

PEOPLE: Behold our God is a Redeemer.

Leader: The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the
deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.

PEOPLE: Behold our God is a Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Let us worship the God who is one in three, three in one,
who heals our brokenness and gathers up all our meanings.****

***LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison**

May God continue to create a world of equality and just living
where the whole of creation enjoys life at its fullest.

Where there is neither the ruler and the ruled;
nor the powerful and powerless; nor the dominant and dominated,
but where all experience grace and live happily,
knowing that it is God, the Giver of Life, who cares for all of us.## Amen

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

Holy God, we come to worship this morning brought together by your Spirit. It is your Spirit
who teaches us to pray and helps us be your faithful ones. We ask now for the presence of
your Holy Spirit: come to us as a wind and fire, as bubbling laughter, as healing touch, or as
the still small voice of peace.*** Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (trespasses)

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 trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from
evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Allegretto*

Jesse, guitar

J. S. Bach BWV 998

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 22:1-14

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After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 20:1-16

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"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

SPECIAL MUSIC: *Framingham*
Chancel Choir

William Billings, 1779 (Rev. 1781)
From *The Psalm Singer's Amusement*
Text: Isaac Watts, 1709

Shall wisdom cry aloud,
And not her speech be heard?
The voice of God's eternal Word,
Deserves it no regard?

SERMON: "The Lord Will Provide"

Scott G. Morrow

VIDEO: "The Parable of the Day Laborers"

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS
PASTORAL PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY:

Tune: Old Hundredth

*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

GREETING OF PEACE (with video!)

***CLOSING HYMN:** "Be Thou My Vision"

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***THE BENEDICTION** - video

POSTLUDE: *The Canterbury March*

H. C. Perrin

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You SHINE!!

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The flowers this morning are given by Betsey Reid in memory of all those we loved and lost but have made us who we are today — mothers, fathers, husbands, wives, children & “heroes”.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Heather Purcell, Ona & Sam Gott, Ben & Cole Purcell, Heidi Welch, Mary Cestaro, Tim Peiffer, David Bellonio, Marlene Bellonio, Stefan McKosky, Rose Monaco, Sabrina Selmer, and Linda Shannon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: William Olmstead 06/28, Mary Cestaro 06/29 (102 years old), Suzanne Light 06/29, Robert Tait 07/04, Susan Tibor 07/04, Kaitlyn Mulvey 07/04.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Ryan & Jennifer DiVito 06/30, Denise & Gerard Adinolfi 07/03, David & Virginia Gould 07/03, Todd & Paige Jokl 07/05, Bob & Barbara Scheidecker 07/05, Adam & Julie Schweickert 07/05.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who continue to support the Food Pantry!

We would appreciate all donations, both non-perishable and monetary. Please bring your donations to the church between 8:00 and 2:30 p.m. Monday – Friday, or donate through our online giving via the website. Thank you for your support.

Dropping Off Items For The Auction Items for the church fundraising auction should be dropped off at church on Friday, July 3 between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Please wear your face mask and pull your car up to the Carroll Hall entrance in the parking lot. Do not come into the church. This will be a drive-through drop-off. Someone will assist by bringing your items into the church. For any items that would be better coming in via the elevator, pull your car up to the sidewalk leading to the elevator entrance. This will be a drive-through drop-off. Please wear your mask. If possible, attach a note to your item with a description of your item that would be helpful to note in the auction listing and include information, i.e. is it an antique, or brand new or only used once or something special about the item. Please also note any condition issues we should disclose to potential bidders. For items that plug in or have motors, indicate if the item is in working condition. Please feel free to call or text 203-605-8568 with any questions or clarification needed.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	June 28	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – Live Stream
Monday	June 29	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Tuesday	June 30	6:00 p.m.	BIBLE STUDY (Zoom)
Wednesday	July 1	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
		11:00	STAFF MEETING (Zoom)
Thursday	July 2	7:00 p.m.	VIRTUAL CHOIR (Zoom)
Friday	July 3		OFFICE CLOSED
		9:30 a.m.	DROP OFF AUCTION ITEMS
Saturday	July 4		FOURTH OF JULY
Sunday	July 5	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – Live Stream

Bold print starts new day.

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MISSION

Our church's mission is to bind ourselves with Jesus Christ in:

- Worship together;
- Nurture of Christian discipleship; and
- Compassionate service to our community and beyond.

VISION

We are a hub for the larger community as a church of action:

- Conducting regular, robust worship in a responsible and relevant way in an ever changing and challenging world;
- Welcoming all people from different and diverse backgrounds to become a community of disciples together; and
- Involved in purposeful action and activities through the structure of self-directed Mission Teams.

VALUES

We:

- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community;
and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

Unison

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
 ♦ 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
 4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought,
 ♦ who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

that in our trou - bled hearts thy grace might shine:
 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought:
 ♦ — hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry:
 and given the name to which all knees shall bow:
 and God e - ter - nal be by all a - dored:

hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

Unison

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O joy of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, my calm in all strife;
 ♦ 3 Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for the fight;
 4 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain emp - ty praise,
 5 Great God of heav - en, af - ter vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me save that thou art,
 I ev - er with thee, and thou in my life;
 ♦ be thou my dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light,
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou lov - ing par - ent, thy child may I be,
 ♦ thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 ♦ raise thou me heav - en - ward, O power of my power.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vis - ion, O rul - er of all.