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

Sunday, November 14, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 28

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Canzona*

G. L. Derking

***OPENING HYMN:** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: God is great and greatly to be praised!

PEOPLE: We thank you, God, for families and friends. We thank you for the warmth of kitchens, quilts, and good neighbors.

Leader: God, how great is your name in all the earth!

PEOPLE: We thank you, God, for newborn kittens and faithful dogs, for pine trees and bright maple leaves and sunlight and crisp, clear air.

Leader: Blessed be God, the rock of our salvation!

PEOPLE: We thank you, God, for the sound of laughter and the touch of love, for brand new mornings and for dreams held close.

ALL: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise. Come! Let us worship God.**

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

Creator, open our hearts
to peace and healing between all people.

Creator, open our hearts
to provide and protect for all children of the earth.

Creator, open our hearts
to respect for the earth, and all the gifts of the earth.

Creator, open our hearts
to end exclusion, violence, and fear among all.

Thank-you for the gifts of this day and every day.### Amen.

Native American - Micmac - Alycia Longriver - 1995

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

Eternal God, we gather as your people to worship you. By your Spirit break the bonds that hold our minds captive to the petty concerns of our lives that we may know the freedom of new possibilities. Quiet the din of our distracted spirits that we may go forth from this hour with deeper commitment to do your will, with a firm assurance of your presence.** Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*trespasses*)

Organ Amen

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.

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Hebrews 10:11-25

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And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,"

he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 13:1-8

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As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

GIFT OF MUSIC: *Make Me A Channel*

Peter Amidon

Words adapted from Prayer of St. Francis

Amy Morrow, melody; Carol Amico, harmonies

Gary Snowbeck, piano

SERMON: “Resilience and Forgiveness”

Scott Morrow

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Organ Response

THE OFFERTORY

*Doxology

Tune: Old Hundredth

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 ~*unison*

May the peace of God in Jesus Christ be with you always!

***CLOSING HYMN:** “The Head That Once Was Crowned”

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***THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *Fughetta*

M. G. Fischer

*Those who are able, please stand.

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The flowers given by Jim and Joan Bennett in celebration of their 29th Anniversary.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Linda Shannon and Betsey Gumbart.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Eleanor Norback 11/17, Hannah Nottingham 11/17, Ann Dubar 11/18, Michelle McBride 11/18, Nancy Gutowski 11/19, Julianna Wayne 11/19.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: George & Flo Coulston 11/14, Jim & Joan Bennett 11/14.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	11/14	9:30 a.m. 9:30 10:45 12:00 p.m. 4:00	WORSHIP (In Person & Live Stream) CHURCH SCHOOL (In Person) FAITH FORMATION MT (RR) SORTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD OASIS & Tidepool (Spring Glen Church)
Monday	11/15	9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00	Music Together (Lawn) SORTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD CT Record Club (CH)
Tuesday	11/16	9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 4:30 6:00	Music Together (Lawn) SORTING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD Music Together (Lawn) BIBLE STUDY (Zoom)
Wednesday	11/17	9:30 a.m. 10:00 1:30 p.m. 5:30 7:00	WINDOW DEADLINE Music Together (Lawn/CH) FOOD PANTRY OPEN STAFF MEETING (Zoom) Girl Scouts (CH) REOPENING (Zoom)
Thursday	11/18	9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00	Music Together (Lawn) PACKING FOOD BOXES CHANCEL CHOIR (Zoom)
Friday	11/19	9:30 a.m. 10:00 12:00 p.m. 3:00	Music Together (Lawn) FOOD PANTRY OPEN SORTING/PACKING PRODUCE PACKING FOOD BOXES
Saturday	11/20	9:00 a.m. 9:30 10:30	THANKSGIVING FOOD DISTRIBUTUION (CH) Music Together (Lawn) Music Together (Lawn)
Sunday	11/21	9:30 a.m. 9:30 4:00 p.m.	WORSHIP (In Person & Live Stream) CHURCH SCHOOL (In Person) OASIS & Tidepool (Spring Glen Church)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

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

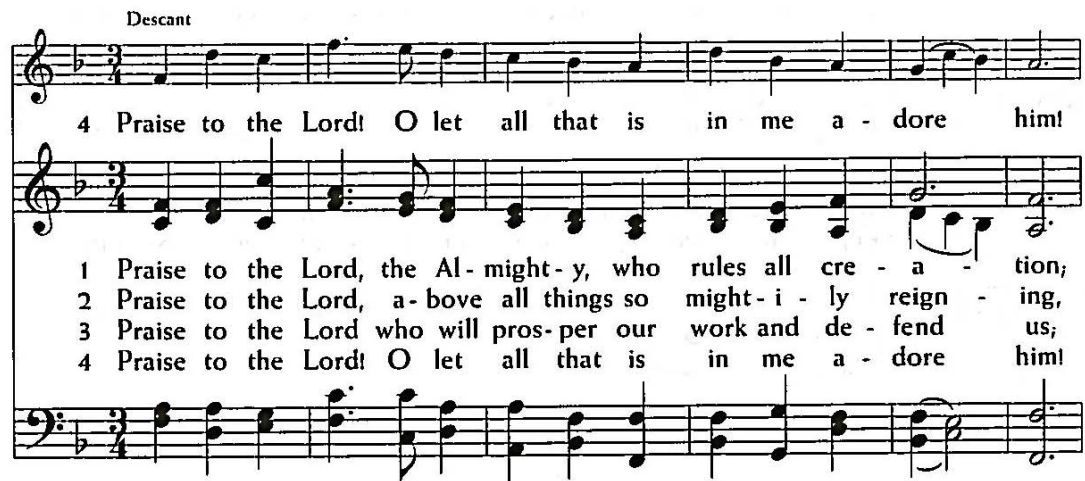
We:

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

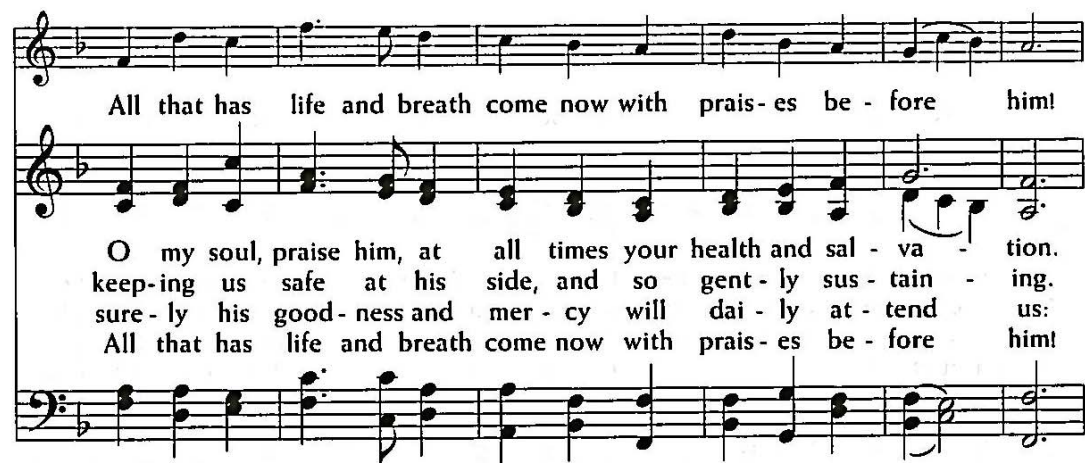
Women's Fellowship Virtual Fair is coming soon—November 29th – December 8th! Items will be on the church website, with pictures and prices. Included this year are hand-made items, Christmas decorations, nearly new treasures and, of course, our fabulous assortment of baked goods—cakes, pies, breads, and cookies! Orders should be placed as soon as possible, since quantities are limited. Orders for baked goods will be taken until December 4th! Payment may be made online or by check payable to Women's Fellowship. No refunds! Pick up date is December 12th from 11:30 to 1:30. Please wear a mask! Baker's are needed! Would you consider baking a batch or two of your favorite cookies? Cookies are a big seller at the fair! If you would like to bake some cookies, please let Cheryl Bogert know (ca.bogert48@gmail.com or 203-208-4732). Thank you for supporting Women's Fellowship.

Descant



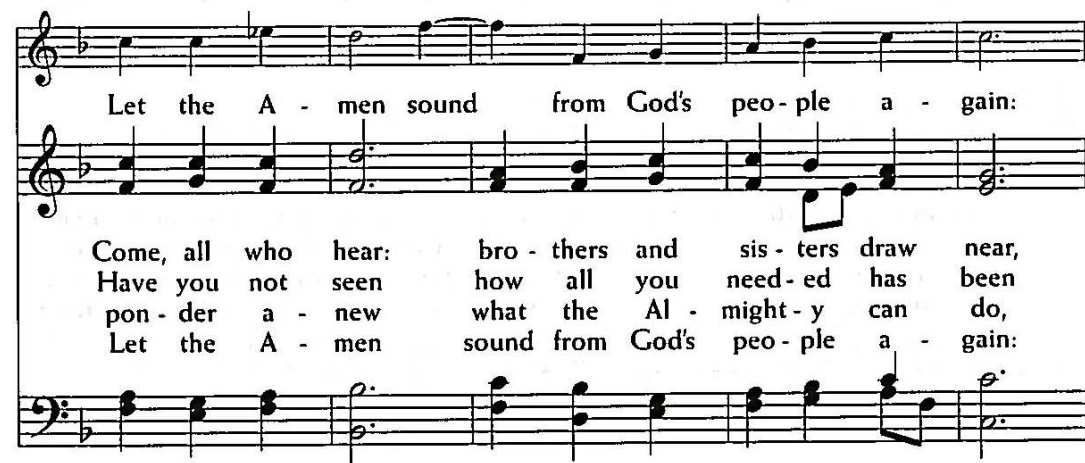
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, who rules all cre - a - tion;
 2 Praise to the Lord, a - bove all things so might - i - ly reign - ing,
 3 Praise to the Lord who will pros - per our work and de - fend us;
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!



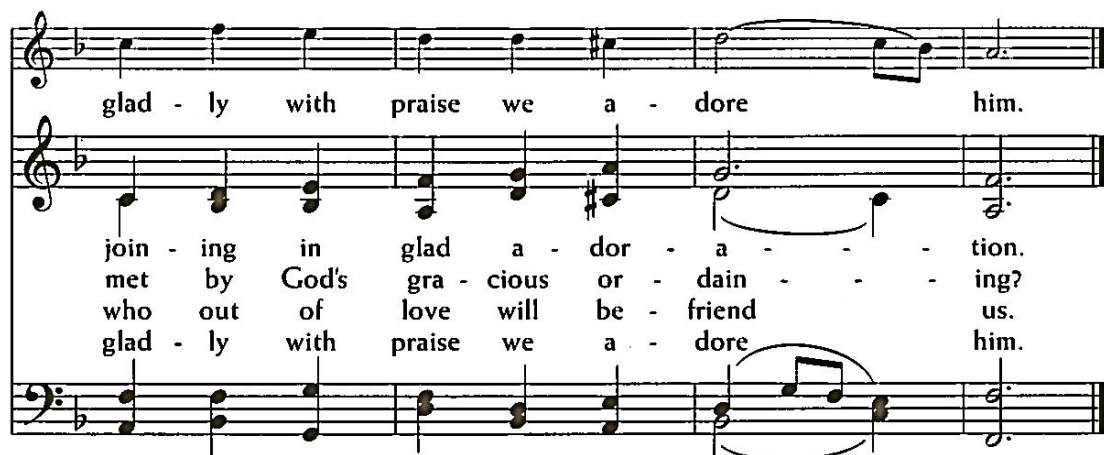
All that has life and breath come now with prais - es be - fore him!

O my soul, praise him, at all times your health and sal - va - tion.
 keep - ing us safe at his side, and so gent - ly sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy will dai - ly at - tend us:
 All that has life and breath come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let the A - men sound from God's peo - ple a - gain:

Come, all who hear: bro - thers and sis - ters draw near,
 Have you not seen how all you need - ed has been
 pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do,
 Let the A - men sound from God's peo - ple a - gain:




glad - ly with praise we a - dore him.

join - ing in glad a - dor - a - tion.
 met by God's gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 who out of love will be - friend us.
 glad - ly with praise we a - dore him.


***CLOSING HYMN: "The Head That Once Was Crowned"**

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G Em C D G D G (D)




1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is
 2 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the
 ♦ 3 To them the cross, with all its shame, with
 4 They suf - fer here with Christ be - low, they
 5 The cross he bore is life and health, though




G A7 D G D (Em Bm)



crowned with glo - ry now; a roy - al di - a -
 joy of all be - low, to whom he man - i -
 ♦ all its grace, is given, their name an ev - er -
 reign with him a - bove, their pro - fit and their
 shame and death to him, his peo - ple's hope, his



C Am D G (C G) D7 G



dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
 fest his love and grants his name to know.
 ♦ last - ing name, their joy the joy of heaven.
 joy to know the mys - tery of his love.
 peo - ple's wealth, their ev - er - last - ing theme.

