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NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, May 22, 2022

9:30 a.m.

Sixth Sunday of Easter Youth Sunday

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Partita in A Minor Allemande

Joshua Peiffer, flute

J. S. Bach

*OPENING HYMN: "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing"

V559

*CHORAL INTROIT: Our Father, Who Art in Heaven

Chancel Choir and Children's Choir

West Indian folk melody transcr. Olive Pattison, 1945

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:

Saydee Baldino

Leader: The practice of mindfulness is very simple...You stop. You breathe. You

still your mind.

PEOPLE: You come home to yourself so that you can enjoy the here and now in every moment.

Leader: All the wonders of life are already here. They're calling you.

PEOPLE: If you can listen to them, you will be able to stop running.

Leader: What you need, what we all need, is silence.

PEOPLE: Stop the noise in your mind in order for the wondrous sounds of life to be heard.

ALL: Then you can begin to live your life authentically and deeply. ** Amen

*LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~ unison

Lord Jesus Christ, Make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love. Where there is injury, let us offer pardon. Where there is discord, let us build peace. Oh Divine Lord, you taught us that those who work for peace are called the children of God. Help us to persist in establishing justice and truth as firm and lasting foundations of peace. Lord, you offer us peace as a gift and peace as a responsibility that we must realize with your help. Give us the grace to reach for peace, to have attitudes of peace, that our words may be of peace, and that our works be works of peace. Then, may we build the peace that we and our nations need. ## Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION: ~ unison

God, you are the source of our life. Gather us now together, we pray. Form us into a holy community of your own people, molding us by the breath of your Holy Spirit, and revealing in this corporate body the face of your anointed Christ.*** 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.

TEACHER AND FAITH FORMATION TEAM APPRECIATION (Karlee Etter)

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Ephesians 4:7-16 (Doris Ferner) Page 1336 But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high, he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) He himself granted that some are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

GIFT OF MUSIC: "Our Father Who Art in Heaven

arr. Lantowski

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 6:9-13 (Saydee Baldino) Page 1152 "Pray, then, in this way:

Our Father in heaven,

may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

May your will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And do not bring us to the time of trial,

but rescue us from the evil one.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

THE THIRD SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 19:1-2; 13-15

(Gabriella DeLuca)

When Jesus had finished saying these things, he left Galilee and went to the region of Judea beyond the Jordan. Large crowds followed him, and he cured them there.

Then children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them, but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD

* **HYMN:** "Jesus Loves Me"

V365

MEDITATION: "Not JUST words; the Lord's Prayer"

Sue Baldino Lori Murphy

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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.

We bring our gifts to you, O God. Here is the work of our hands, and here is the love of our hearts. Accept them and use them, through Christ our Lord. ## Amen

GREETING OF PEACE ~unison

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

*CLOSING HYMN: "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

V291

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: You Shall Go Out With Joy!

Douglas Wagner

^{*}Prayer of Dedication –unison

^{*}Those who are able, please stand.

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Greeters: Gabriella DeLuca, Sienna Baldino. Deacon is Peter Hall.

Flowers are given by Sandy Carter, in Loving Memory Of My Parents Richard & Carmel DeCola, My Beautiful Niece Cindy Henninger & Beloved Grandson Jack Viele.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Linda Shannon, Marcia Foulds, Marlene Bellonio, Lorraine Burdge, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Ellen Robert and Treffle Robert.

Church Staff: All the Members, Ministers to the World

The Reverend Scott G. Morrow, Senior Pastor Karlee Etter, Ministry Coordinator for Children Jeffrey Hutchins, Director of Music Gary Snowbeck, Organist

Julie Schweickert, Office Manager

Todd Swarney, Sexton

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Dorothy Pierce 5/22, George Gladkosky 5/22, Jody Gallagher 5/22.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: John & Linda Rankin 5/22, Kathi & Robert Mickolyzck 5/25.

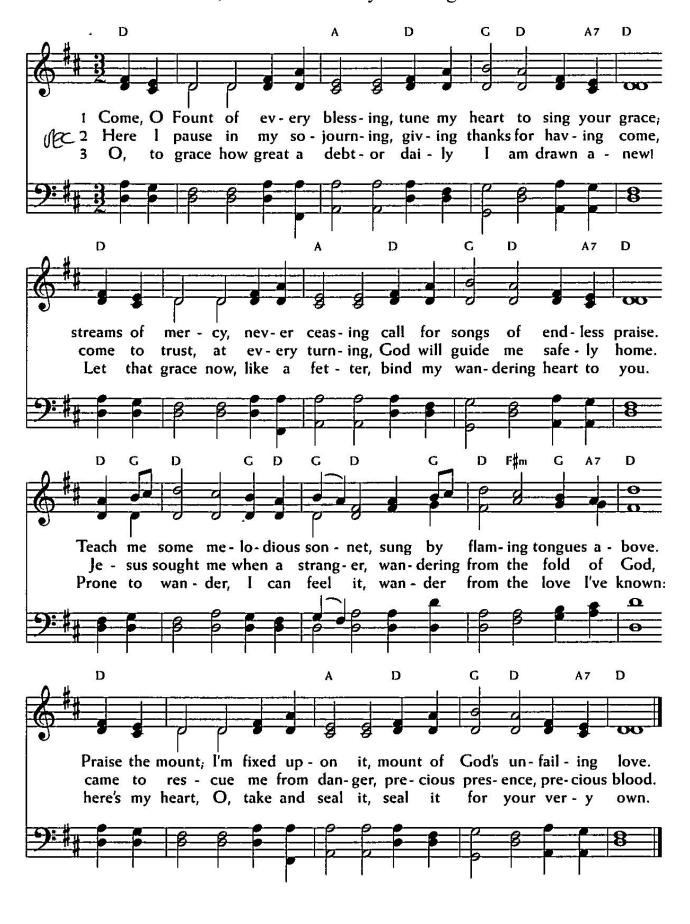
Announcements:

The Women's Fellowship Craft & Tag Sale will be held outside on the church lawn on Saturday, June 4, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Set up will begin at 7:30. Morning coffee and lunch will be available to purchase. There is space available for anyone who wishes to have their own personal Tag Sale. To reserve a space, please call the church office. The cost for a space is \$25.00 (pre-paid, non-refundable, no rain date). Bring your own table and chair. The proceeds will make it possible for the Women's Fellowship to donate to our list of organizations and help with needs and projects of our church. Thank You!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	5/22	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)	
Monday	5/23	9:30 a.m.	Music Together (DBL)	
		6:30 p.m.	New Haven Camera Club (Zoom)	
Tuesday	5/24	9:30 a.m.	Al-Anon (CH)	
		9:30	Music Together (DBL)	
		12:30 p.m.	PLP (CH)	
		6:00	BIBLE STUDY (Zoom)	
Wednesday	5/25		WINDOW MAILING	
		9:30 a.m.	Music Together (DBL)	
		10:00	FOOD PANTRY OPEN	
		1:30 p.m.	STAFF MEETING (Zoom)	
		5:30	Girl Scout Troop 60071 (CH)	
Thursday	5/26	5:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts (CH)	
		7:00	CHANCEL CHOIR	
Friday	5/27	9:30 a.m.	Music Together (CH)	
		10:00	FOOD PANTRY OPEN	
		10:30	Music Together (CH)	
Saturday	5/28	9:30 a.m.	Music Together (CH)	
		10:30	Music Together (CH)	
Sunday	5/29	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)	
Monday	5/30		MEMORIAL DAY (OFFICE CLOSED)	
-		9:30 a.m.	Music Together (DBL)	
		9:30	AA (K)	

^{*}Small print indicates non-Church function Bold print starts new day.







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

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