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

Sunday, June 26, 2022

9:30 a.m.

Third Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 7

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Prelude on *Nettleton*

Paul Manz

***OPENING HYMN:** “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come bless us God:

**PEOPLE: Bless us with tears and laughter;
Bless us with grace and love.**

Leader: Come bless us Jesus:

**PEOPLE: Bless us with hope and healing;
Bless us with courage and strength.**

Leader: Come bless us Holy Spirit:

**PEOPLE: Bless us with creativity and life;
Bless us with understanding and wisdom.**

Leader: Bless us that we might be a blessing.

ALL: And that by us all of the families of the earth will be blessed.

Kathy Galloway

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

Where there is peace in the heart, there is peace in the home.

Where there is peace in the home, there is peace in the community.

Where there is peace in the community, there is peace in the nation.

Where there is peace in the nation, there is peace in the world.

May peace begin here, right now, in each of our hearts. Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

God, we need peace – so we come for quiet.

We need joy – so we come for singing.

We need to let things go – so we come for forgiveness.

We need hope – so we come for scripture and community.

We come this morning from our own agendas –

Help us to leave with the blessings we long for and your unexpected gifts.** Amen.

Maren C. Tirabassi

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: 1 Samuel 3:1-9

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Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

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

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

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For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife,

jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

SERMON: “Samuel, Are You Listening”

Rev. Joseph Tobin

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:** “Here I Am, Lord”

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***THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Prelude on *Cwm Rhondda*

Manz

*Those who are able, please stand.

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We welcome the Reverend Joseph Tobin to the pulpit today as guest preacher and worship leader.

Deacon is Nancy Mahoney.

Coffee Hour is hosted by the Music Mission Team in Celebration of Gary Snowbeck.

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

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: September Baraquin 06/26, Gabriella DeLuca 06/26, William Olmstead 06/28, Suzanne Light 06/29, Sue Tibor 07/04.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Jeff & Jackie Jennings 06/27, Ryan & Jennifer DiVito 06/30, Denise & Gerard Adinolfi 07/03, David & Virginia Gould 07/03.

Summer Office Hours

The church office will be open from 8:00am to 12:00pm beginning Tuesday, July 5 through Friday, August 26.

Mens Fellowship Breakfast will Continue through July & August

Normally we would take a break until September. However, the Men’s Fellowship will meet in July and August this summer!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	6/26	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)
Monday	6/27	9:30 a.m.	AA (K)
Tuesday	6/28	9:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 7:00	Al-Anon (CH) PLP (Parking Lot) Music Under the Stars (Beau Bolero)
Wednesday	6/29	10:00 a.m. 5:30	WINDOW MAILING FOOD PANTRY OPEN Girl Scout Troop 60071 (CH)
Thursday	6/30		
Friday	7/1	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Saturday	7/2	7:30 a.m.	MENS FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST (CH)
Sunday	7/3	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)
Monday	7/4		Independence Day (Office Closed)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

G (D G) C G C G D G

1 Come, chil - dren, join to sing: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Hal - le - lu - jah!

(D G) C G C G D G

Praise to our Ser - vant - King: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 Raise high the joy - ous strain: Hal - le - lu - jah!

(D G) C (G) Dsus4 D G (D G) C D

Let all with heart and voice, saved by God's gra - cious choice,
 Christ calls his peo - ple friends, the help - less he de - fends,
 The whole cre - a - tion o'er let all God's love a - dore,

G (D G) C G Em Am G D G

now in this place re - joice: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 a love that nev - er ends: Hal - le - lu - jah!
 sing - ing for ev - er - more: 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.

*CLOSING HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord"

Unison

G Am G C/G G D/F#

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo- ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo- ple's pain,
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,

G Em Am7 C Am (F/G) D D/C

All who dwell in deep - est sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them; they turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.

G Am/G G C/G G D/F#

I who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro- vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em7 Am7 Am/C Am G/B Am7/C Dsus-D

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

D/F# G Gsus G G/B Am7 G C/E D7 G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have

G Am G Am/C C Dsus D/F# D7

heard you call-ing in the night. I will

G Gsus G Am/G G C D7 G

go, Lord, if you lead me. I will

G C/G G Am7 C/D D G C/G D.C. G Fine

hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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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