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

Sunday, July 3, 2022

9:30 a.m.

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 9
The Sacrament of Communion**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***OPENING HYMN: “At the Name of Jesus”**

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 30, The Message by Eugene Peterson)

Leader: God, my God, I yelled for help and you put me together.

PEOPLE: God, you pulled me out of the grave, gave me another chance at life when I was down and out.

Leader: All you saints! Sing your hearts out to God!

PEOPLE: I called out to you, God; I laid my care before you. Help me out of this.

Leader: You did it: you changed wild lament into whirling dance.

ALL: God, my God, I can't thank you enough.

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

Eternal God, stir our minds and stimulate our hearts with a high sense of patriotism as we approach the Fourth of July. May all that this day symbolizes renew our faith in freedom, our devotion to democracy, and redouble our efforts to keep a government of the people, by the people, and for the people truly alive in our world.

Grant that we may highly resolve on this great day to dedicate ourselves anew to the task of ushering in an era when good will shall live in the hearts of a free people, justice shall be the light to guide their feet, and peace shall be the goal of humankind: to the glory of Your holy name and the good of our Nation and of all humankind.##
Amen.

(Congressional Prayer offered by Chaplain, Reverend Edward G. Latch on Wednesday, July 3, 1974.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:~unison

Mighty and merciful God, you created and are creating still. In your presence our limits lie stark before us. We confess our unclean lips, our cold hearts, our turning away from neighbors, our broken promises, and our unrepentant hours. We confess that we have squandered the gifts you have given. We have neglected the land.

We have grasped for goods. We have used each other. We have loved power more than people. Forgive us, O Holy One. Cleanse us from the illusion of innocence. Come into our hearts and make us new again. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen. ~ *silence* ~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ALL: Thanks be to God

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 66:10-14

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Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,

all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,

all you who mourn over her—

that you may nurse and be satisfied

from her consoling breast,

that you may drink deeply with delight

from her glorious bosom.

For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river

and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream,

and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm

and bounced on her knees.

As a mother comforts her child,

so I will comfort you;

you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;

your bodies shall flourish like the grass,

and it shall be known that the power of the LORD is with his servants,

and his indignation is against his enemies

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

***HYMN:** “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Galatians 6:7-16 Page 1333

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you

sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the

flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the

Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will

reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have

an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those

of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It

is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to

compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted

for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey

the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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

MEDITATION

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

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Hymn of Preparation: “As We Gather at Your Table”

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Invitation and Consecration

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Distribution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

GREETING OF PEACE ~unison

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

***CLOSING HYMN:** “We Have This Ministry”

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***THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*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. **We welcome Gail DeBoer** as our substitute organist this morning.

Deacon is Jim Bennett.

Greeter is Mary Johnston.

The flowers today are given by Jim and Joan Bennett to celebrate the birthday of our country and to honor the many patriots who have served it selflessly in both war and peace. May our flag wave proudly forever more.

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
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: Robert Tait 07/04, Susan Tibor 07/04, Kaitlyn Mulvey 07/04, Skye Gallagher 07/06, Karen Linsky 07/06, Karen Silk 07/06, Onalee Collins 07/06, Kayla DeLuca 07/07, Todd Jokl 07/08, Ellen Robert 07/08, Jessica McKosky 07/09, Logan Stewart 07/10

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: 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, Bette & Bob DeMayo 07/07, Tom & Wendy Glynn 07/07, Rich & Susan Baldino 07/09

Announcements



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

Birthday Cards:
Ellen Robert is turning 98 on July 8; she is our oldest church member. She is having a difficult time and would appreciate good wishes. Please send to her at Golden Hill Rehab Center, room 202, 2028 Bridgeport Ave., Milford, CT 06460

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	7/3	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)
Monday	7/4	9:30 a.m.	Independence Day (Office Closed) AA (K)
Tuesday	7/5	9:30 a.m. 9:30 12:30 p.m. 7:00 7:00	Al-Anon (CH) Music Together (DBL) PLP (Parking Lot/Library) Organist Search ZOOM Music Under the Stars (Raise Your Hands)
Wednesday	7/6	9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:30	Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN Girl Scout Troop 60071 (CH)
Thursday	7/7	6:30 p.m.	Mothers of Twins (CH)
Friday	7/8	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN Danish Brotherhood (K)
Saturday	7/9	9:30 a.m. 10:30	Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL)
Sunday	7/10	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP (In-Person & Live Stream)

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

Unison



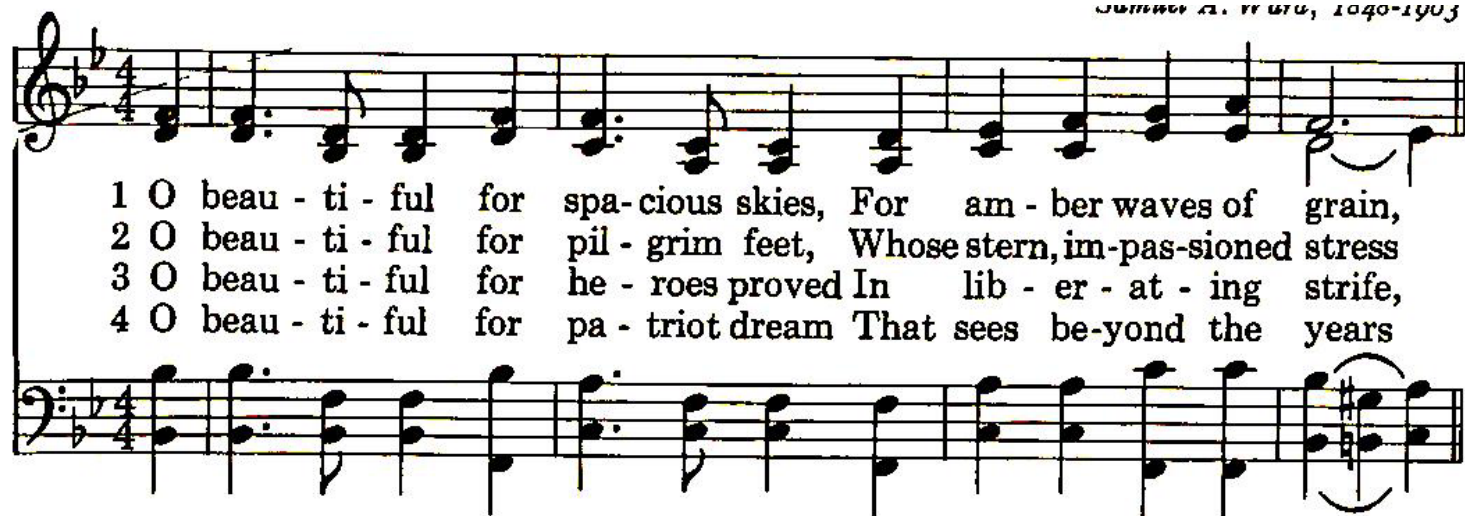
1 At the name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son to re - ceive a name
 ♦ 3 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,
 4 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due
 5 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,

ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
 from the lips of sin - ners un - to whom he came,
 ♦ but with awe and won - der, and with ba - ted breath;
 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true,
 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry, with his an - gel train,

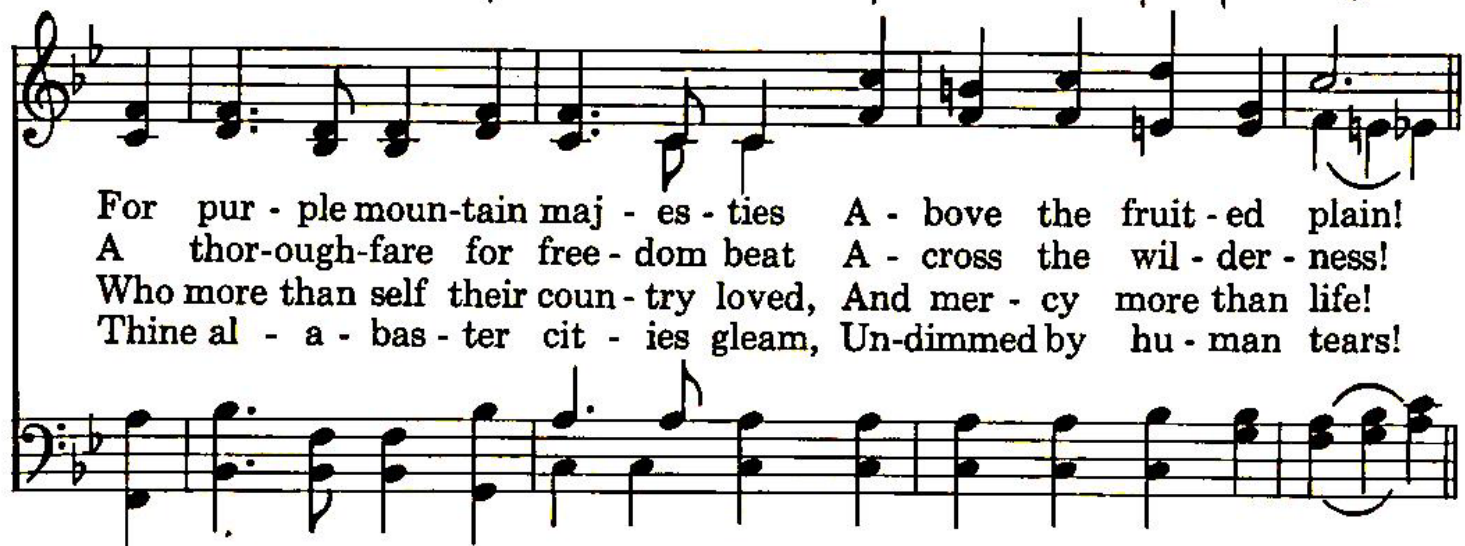
'tis our God's great plea - sure we should call him Lord,
 faith - ful - ly he bore it, spot - less to the last,
 ♦ he is God the Sav - iour, he is Christ the Lord,
 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;
 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,

who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
 brought it back vic - to - rious when from death he passed.
 ♦ ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.
 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.
 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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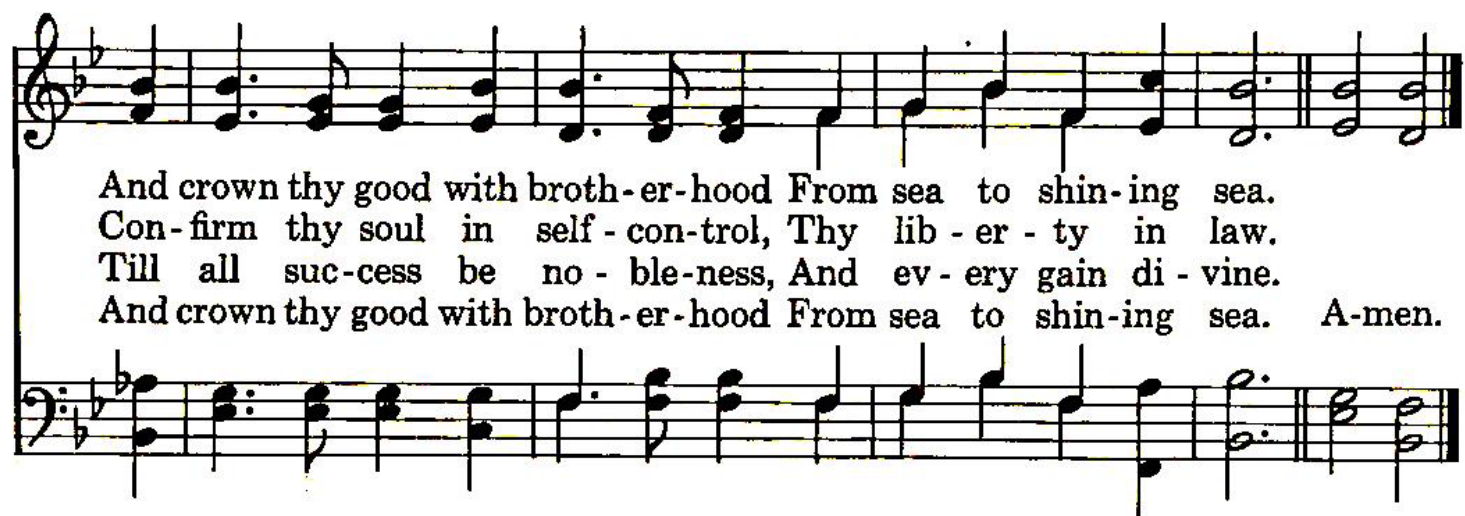
1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, For am - ber waves of grain,
 2 O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress
 3 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved In lib - er - at - ing strife,
 4 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream That sees be - yond the years



For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plain!
 A thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness!
 Who more than self their coun - try loved, And mer - cy more than life!
 Thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, Un - dimmed by hu - man tears!



A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,



And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea.
 Con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law.
 Till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, And ev - ery gain di - vine.
 And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea. A - men.

Hymn of Preparation: "As We Gather at Your Table"

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1 As we gath - er at your ta - ble, as we list - en
 2 Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra -
 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to

to your word, help us know, O God, your pres - ence;
 ment of life; send us forth to love and serve you,
 share that feast where tri - umph - ant Love will wel - come

let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nour - ish us with sa - cred
 bring - ing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great com -
 those who had been last and least. There no more will en - vy

sto - ry till we claim it as our own; teach us through this
 pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave; may we still be -
 blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy, as we join with

ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - tory known.
 hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
 saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

*CLOSING HYMN: "We Have This Ministry"

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Unison F C Dm B \flat Am7 Dm B \flat C

1 We have this min - is - try and we are not dis - cour - aged; it
 2 O Christ, the tree of life, our end and our be - gin - ning, we
 3 The yoke of Christ is ours, the whole world is our par - ish; we

F C Dm Gm7 C C/E F Dm7 C

is by God's own power that we may live and serve.
 grow to full - est flower when root - ed in your love.
 dai - ly take the cross, the bur - den and the joy.

Gm C Gm7 C Dm B \flat Gm7 C

O - pen - ly we share God's word, speak - ing truth as we be - lieve,
 Broth - ers, sis - ters, cler - gy, lay, called to ser - vice by your grace,
 Bear - ing hurts of those we serve, wound - ed, bruised and bowed with pain,

Gm C Gm7 Am Dm B \flat Csus4 C

pray - ing that the shad - owed world may heal - ing light re - ceive. We
 diff - erent cul - tures, diff - erent gifts, the young and old a place. We
 Ho - ly Spir - it, bread and wine, we die and rise a - gain. We

F C Dm B \flat Am7 B \flat C Dm C F

have this min - is - try, O God, re - ceive our liv - ing.
 have this min - is - try, O God, re - ceive our giv - ing.
 have this min - is - try, O God, re - ceive our lov - ing.

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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