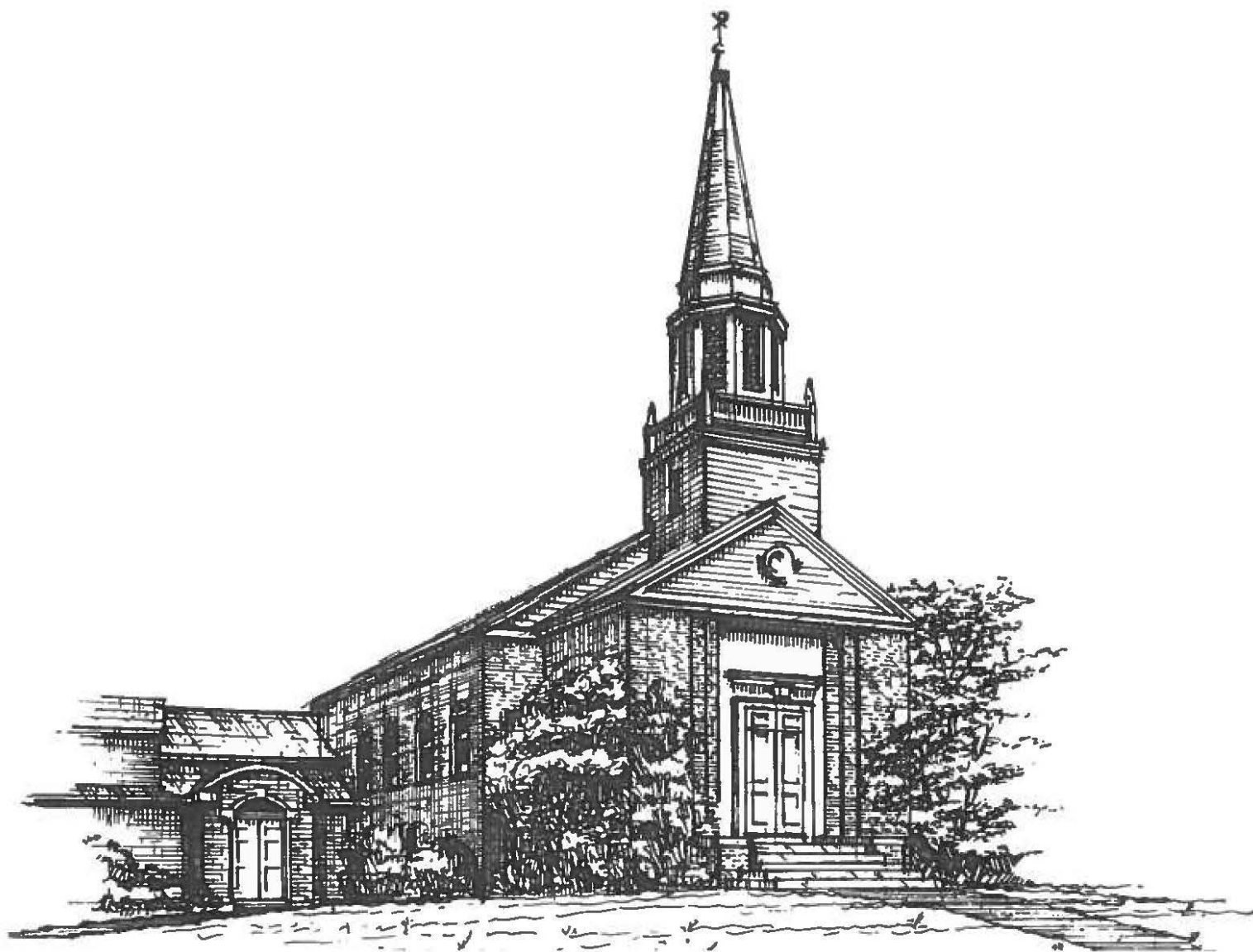


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**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday, June 23, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 7

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Mosso moderato* in D Major

J.G. Vierling
arr. C. Rossini

***OPENING HYMN:** "How Firm a Foundation"

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come to worship Almighty God.

PEOPLE: We lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises.

Leader: Come to honor Christ Jesus.

PEOPLE: We offer Christ our hearts, our minds, our spirits.

Leader: Come to be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.

ALL: Breathe in us, Breath of God. Alleluia.**

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

Oh God, You made Yourself known to us in the person of Jesus, and now, You are made flesh in all people. Let us be a community of the incarnation; a people who sorrow, suffer, hope and rejoice with all human beings. Let us be Christ to one another. Let us be peace.##

Amen

Archbishop Oscar Romero

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

Gracious God, who has the power to create the whirlwind and the wisdom to speak to us in the still, small voice, we ask that you bring your love to us today. We are in need of the strength of your spirit. We live in the hope of your call. We depend on you; there is no other who gives us such hope and life. Be with us, care for us, comfort and confront us with your love and grace. Through the power of the Spirit we pray.** Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*trespasses*)

Choral 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: Mark 4:35-41

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On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" And waking up, he rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Be silent! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

* **HYMN:** "Be Still, My Soul"

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Pg 1324

As we work together with him, we entreat you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

Look, now is the acceptable time; look, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: in great endurance, afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; in purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors and yet are true, as unknown and yet are well known, as dying and look—we are alive, as punished and yet not killed, as sorrowful yet always rejoicing, as poor yet making many rich, as having nothing and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

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

SERMON: “What Is That to You?”

Scott Morrow

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Choral 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. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

GREETING OF PEACE ~*unison*

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

***CLOSING HYMN:** “My Life Flows On”

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***THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *Allegretto* in F Major

Ch. H. Rinck
arr. C. Rossini

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Deacon is Jim Bennett. **Scripture Reader** is Jim Bennett. **Greeter** is Beth Anderson. **Fellowship Hour** will be in Carroll Hall immediately following service this morning.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Ellie Harple, Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marlene Bellonio, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Meg Adams, Sarah, and The family of David Gould.

Quote of the day: *The Sunday school teacher asked, “Now Thomas, tell me frankly, do you say a prayer before eating?” “No, sir,” Thomas replied, “I don’t have to. My mom is a good cook.”*

Church Chuckles

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Makenzie Conley 06/23, Finley McBride 06/24, September Baraquin 06/26, Gabriella DeLuca 06/26, William Olmstead 06/28, Suzanne Light 06/29.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Jeff & Jackie Jennings 06/27.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On-Line fundraising auction

Thank you to those who are donating items for the 5th annual on-line fundraising auction. Please bring your items to the chapel after worship on Sunday July 21 until 11:45 a.m. Please include a note with pertinent information about the item that could be used in the on-line description for the auction.

The auction schedule is as follows:

Monday July 22 and day following, auction managers will photograph and catalog the items.

The following week(s) the auction website is being set up for our auction.

August 5, on-line auction goes live.

August 12, auction closes

August 17 or 18 - TBA - specific pick up times/day will be determined prior to August 5 for the winning bidders. The pick up times will be set up and announced and bidders will need to agree to the pick up times in order to bid on items.

If you know of any friends or relatives who may be downsizing, see if there's anything they may like to donate to the church. More items are needed such as musical instruments, books published around or before 1900, teak items, small occasional table, legos, geodes, antiques, MCM mid-century modern items, sterling silver, new unused items, anything unusual.

Thank you to the following for their donations:

SueBeth Higgins, Dottie Pierce, The Struks, Joyce & Ted Manzo, Benassi's, Peterson's, Lynn Reardon, Carla Hill, Cheryl Bogert, Carol Amico, Sue & John Tibor, and Women Fellowship.

Summer Sunday School

This year Summer Sunday school is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month; July 14 & 28, and August 11 & 25.

Priscilla Noriega has graciously agreed to coordinate the program. If you would like to learn more about the program or volunteer to help, please contact Karlee.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund allows the Pastor to respond to requests from church members and others for small amounts of financial assistance with difficult circumstances. It is funded by contributions, and the balance available is low. Please consider making a contribution. Mark your check or envelope with "Pastor's Discretionary Fund."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	6/23	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – (In-Person/Live Stream)
Monday	6/24	1:00 p.m.	FOOD PANTRY
Tuesday	6/25	9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 7:00	Al-Anon (K) PLP (L) Bible Study (Zoom) Music Under the Stars (Green)
Wednesday	6/26	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	WINDOW MAILING FOOD PANTRY Girl Scout Troop 60071 (K)
Thursday	6/27		
Friday	6/28	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Saturday	6/29		
Sunday	6/30	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – (In-Person/Live Stream)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

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
Heather Meachen, Organist
Julie Schweickert, Office Manager
Dave Nelson, Sexton

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.

*OPENING HYMN: "How Firm a Foundation"

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1 How firm a foun - da - tion, you ser - vants of God,
 2 "Fear not, I am with you; O be not dis - mayed!
 ♦ 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent word!
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 ♦ the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply:
 I will not — I will not de - sert to his foes;

What more can be said than to you has been said,
 I'll strength - en and help you, and cause you to stand,
 ♦ for I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - our to shake,

to you who for re - fuge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous om - ni - po - tent hand.
 ♦ and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
 your dross to con - sume, and your gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er — no, nev - er — no, nev - er for - sake!"

* HYMN: "Be Still, My Soul"

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F C7 F C F Bb C F

1 Be still, my soul, for God is on your side; bear pa-tient-
 2 Be still, my soul, your God will un-der-take to guide the
 3 Be still, my soul, the hour is hast-ening on when we shall

C7 F C F Bb F Dm

ly the cross of grief or pain. Trust in your God, your
 fu-ture sure-ly as the past. Your hope, your con-fi-
 be for-ev-er in God's peace; when dis-ap-point-ment,

Dm F C Gm D7 Gm F Bb A

sav-iour and your guide, who through all chang-es faith-ful will re-
 dence let noth-ing shake; all now mys-te-rious shall be bright at
 grief and fear are gone, love's joys re-stored, our striv-ings all shall

A F Dm F C

main. Be still, my soul, your best, your heav-enly
 last. Be still, my soul, life's tem-pests still o-
 cease. Be still, my soul, when change and tears are

Gm D7 Gm F C7 F

friend through storm-y ways leads to a peace-ful end.
 bey the voice that once the waves' wild fu-ry stayed.
 past, all safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

1 My life flows on in end - less song, a - bove earth's lam - en -
 2 What though my joys and com - forts die? My Sav - iour still is
 3 When ty - rants trem - ble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells
 4 I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue a -

ta - tion. I hear the sweet, though far off hymn that
 liv - ing. What though the shad - ows gath - er 'round? A
 ring - ing: when friends re - joice both far and near, how
 bove it; and day by day this path - way smooths, since

hails a new cre - a - tion. Through all the tu - mult
 new song Christ is giv - ing. No storm can shake my
 can I keep from sing - ing? In pris - on cell and
 first I learned to love it. The peace of Christ makes

and the strife, I hear the mu - sic ring - ing: It
 in - most calm, while to that Rock I'm cling - ing: since
 dun - geon vile our thoughts to them are wing - ing: when
 fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing: all

finds an ech - o in my soul —
 Love com - mands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?
 friends by shame are un - de - filed,
 things are mine since I am Christ's —