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

Sunday, August 4, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 13

The Sacrament of Communion

Family Sunday

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***OPENING HYMN: "Glorify Thy Name"**

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP: ~responsive**

Leader: Let us rejoice, for morning has dawned. A new day is born,
and we are newly alive to enjoy it.

**PEOPLE: We celebrate the beauty of creation and the wonder of
human family. We remember those whose love has
shaped our lives and those whose struggles for justice
have been unsleeping in spite of opposition.**

Leader: We gather to worship God, to share prayers and gifts, to
pledge ourselves to God's work in the world.

**ALL: May God bless us, so that what we do in this time
together may be honest, sacred, and filled with hope.****

Maren C. Tirabassi

***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

***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 CONFESSION:~*unison*

Gracious God, we open our hearts and confess our sins – against you, against our neighbor, against even ourselves. For the wrongs of our minds, our hearts, our hands, our spirits – forgive us. For our silence and lack of compassion – forgive us. For our self-love and our self-hatred – forgive us. For our anger and our fear – forgive us. For the waste of your gifts – forgive us. For our part, known and unknown, in the suffering of any of your children – forgive us. For our failures in justice and peace – forgive us. For all the times we do not walk the way of love – forgive us in the name of Jesus Christ who goes before us, so that we can know love.** Amen.

~ *silence* ~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ALL: Thanks be to God

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Ephesians 4:1-16 Page 1336

I, therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

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.

*** HYMN: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"**

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 6:24-35 Page 1242

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

MEDITATION: "Bread and Cup"

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

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation and Consecration

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

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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:** "One Bread, One Body"

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*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

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We welcome Jeff Hutchins as our guest musician today!

Deacon is Cathy Welch. **Scripture Reader** is Sue Compton.

Please join us for Fellowship Hour after service.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marlene Bellonio, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Meg Adams, and Sarah.

Quote of the day:

Lisa came home from Sunday School and told her mother that she had learned a new song about a cress-eyed bear named Gladly. It took her mother awhile before she realized that the hymn was really "Gladly the Cross I'd Bear."

Church Chuckles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food Pantry: Summer Request

Please consider donating Juice boxes/Juice for our food clients. With the children home for the summer, these are much appreciated.

Thank you for your support.

On-Line fundraising auction

Thank you for your many generous donations making this year's on-line fundraising auction a reality!! We have a wonderful variety of items that are sure to make this auction a big success.

The auction will go live sometime tomorrow. The church will send out an e-mail blast no later than Tuesday with the auction link.

August 13: The auction will close

August 16: The auction manager will prep the items for pick up (group items by buyers, as is typical, winning bidders often win multiple lots) to make the pick up window go smoothly.

August 18: The pick up time is Noon to 3pm for all winning bidders.

Thank you to Julie Schweickert and Womens Fellowship for their assistance.

Thank you to all the donors making the fundraiser possible: SueBeth H., Dot P., Joyce and Ted M., Lynn R., Pete and Victoria S., Cheryl B., Sue and John T., Carol A., Scott M., Mabel and Steve P., Carla H., Patience and Martin B., Martha B., Priscilla B., Heather M., Sara and Bryant M., Mark B., MaryEllen and Ed C., Nancy M., Cathy W., Beth A., Susan G., Lillian F.

Summer Sunday School:

Summer Sunday school is in full swing. The last two classes will be August 11 & 25. Hope to see you then.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	8/4	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – (In-Person/Live Stream)
Monday	8/5	1:00 p.m. 1:00	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE FOOD PANTRY Retired Federal Employees (CH)
Tuesday	8/6	9:30 a.m. 9:30 12:00 p.m. 7:00	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE Al-Anon (K) Music Together (DBL) PLP (L) Music Under the Stars (Green)
Wednesday	8/7	10:00 a.m. 10:00 7:00 p.m. 7:00	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY Lions Club (CH) MLB (L)
Thursday	8/8	9:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE WRAP CT (CH) NHE Ch & M (L)
Friday	8/9	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE FOOD PANTRY OPEN Danish Brotherhood (K)
Saturday	8/10	9:30 a.m.	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE Music Together (DBL)
Sunday	8/11	9:30 a.m.	ONLINE AUCTION – LIVE WORSHIP – (In-Person/Live Stream)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Kathleen Harple 08/04, Brie Rose 08/06, Linda Rankin 08/08, Tim Peiffer 08/10, Michele Lynch 08/10, Daniel Kirk 08/11.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Rebecca & Alan Conley 08/04, Barbara & Richard Massey 08/05.

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.

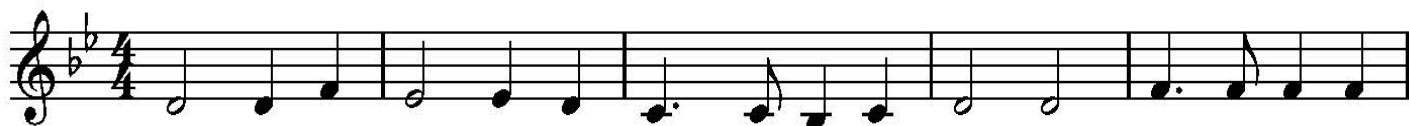
VALUES

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: "Glorify Thy Name"**

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God, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You. Glo - ri - fy Thy
Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You. Glo - ri - fy Thy
Spi - rit, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You. Glo - ri - fy Thy

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name in all the world. _____
name in all the world. _____ Glo - ri - fy Thy name! Glo - ri - fy Thy
name in all the world. _____

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name! Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the world! _____

*** HYMN: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"**

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1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our Mak - er's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear;
4 This glo - rious hope re - vives our cour - age on the way;



the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
that we shall live in per - fect love in God's e - ter - nal day.



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

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F Gm7 F Dm Bb C

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

Bb F Gm7 F Dm

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

Dm Bb C7 Bb F C

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

Dm Am F Bb C Dm

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

Dm7 Gm7 Bb F Gm7 Am Gm Gm7 F

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: "One Bread, One Body"

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Refrain (Unison)

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
one cup of bless - ing which we bless; and
we, though ma - ny, through - out the earth,
we are one bod - y in this one Lord. (to verses)

*1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
2 Ma - ny the gifts, ma - ny the works,
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,

wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all. (One)
gath - ered to one, for all.