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

Sunday, September 15, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 19

The Sacrament of Christian Baptism

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Prelude: Prelude in G Minor

J.S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT: I Woke Up This Mornin' Traditional Spiritual

arr. Jeffrey Radford

adapt. Jeffrey Hutchins

***OPENING HYMN:** "Lord, Speak to Me"

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: In autumn beauty the blue sky and golden land are clothed.
Apple-gathering children and nut-gathering squirrels alike
prepare for winter.

PEOPLE: In our tradition, harvest is a time of rejoicing in God's
natural bounty and the ingathering of our lives.

Leader: We praise God for all we have received. Seasons turn but
God's love is changeless.

ALL: We praise God for all we have received. Maple leaves
dancing, crisp breezes blowing, the good news stories of
Jesus' sojourn in Galilee, and the restless winds of the
Spirit rushing through our lives – all these assure us of
God's faithful presence. **

Maren C. Tirabassi

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

Almighty God, guide the nations of the world into ways of justice and
truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of
righteousness and the sharing of grace, that they may become the
kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and
sorrows. Give peace to your Church, peace in our homes, and peace in
our hearts, through your dear Son. ## Amen.

***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

Our Sovereign God, Light of lights, Word of words, Life of all living, Peace of perfect peace: we praise you and thank you for the faith we have, for the hope we can always rekindle, for the love we experience in creation, redemption, and the spirit that dwells in the vortex of the universe and the breath of every child. Bless and consecrate the worship we share this day that in it we may affirm the grace and wonder of our relationship with you.** Amen. *Maren C. Tirabassi*

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE BAPTISM OF BRODY THOMAS MICKOLYZCK

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THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 8:27-38

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Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi, and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous

and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

* **HYMN:** “Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: James 3:1-12 Page 1371

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will face stricter judgment. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is mature, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of life, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse people, made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth comes a blessing and a curse. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

GIFT OF MUSIC: Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

Tune: Hasidic melody

Harmonized: Richard Proulx

Sung by the Chancel Choir

Text: William F. Jabusch

“God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!

And those words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!”

SERMON: “Taming the Tongue”

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: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

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*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Postlude: Polonaise in G Minor

Frederick Chopin

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Deacon is Jim Bennett. **Greeter** is Beth Anderson. **Scripture Reader** is Emma Nottingham.

Today's flowers are given by Dot Pierce, in loving memory of Greg, 5 years since you went home to be with the Lord. Remembering you always, loving you forever!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Flo Coulston 09/15, Kim Coughlin 09/16, Denise Adinolfi 09/17, Carol Lacobelli 09/21.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: John & Rhonda Masnato 09/21

Quote of the day:

Where will you spend eternity? Smoking or Nonsmoking?

Church Chuckles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save The Date: Friday, Sept 20!!

The Women's Fellowship Military Whist Card Game will be on Friday, September 20. Tickets are available for purchase at Coffee Hour (\$12 per person). Singles, couples, and teams of four are welcome. Please call Carol Mitchell (203) 668-0608 or email cdmitchell60@yahoo.com.

Light refreshments will be served. There will be a variety of gift card raffles and a 50/50 raffle!

Our Fundraisers help support church projects and local organizations. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. and the game begins at 6:00 p.m. It's fun and easy to play! Come join the fun! Bring a friend!

Dates and times to be announced soon!!

Craft workshops for the Women's Fellowship Fair on November 2 will be held starting at the end of August and continuing through September and October. Dates and times to be announced soon.

Planning for the Fair has begun. Any ideas or suggestions are welcome. Sign up to help at Fellowship Hour or contact Carol Mitchell (203) 668-0608. Thanks!

Be The Help Until Help Arrives!

Emergencies happen anywhere and at anytime. Rescuers respond as soon as possible, but sometimes it's too late. Your help can save the life of a loved one or a friend. The church is offering a class called "Stop the Bleed and Hands Only CPR." The class is two hours long and is open to everyone age 11 and older and in good health. Please join us on Thursday, October 17th at 7:00pm. The cost is \$5 per person and pre-registration is required since the class size is limited. Please register by email with Ed Collett, ecollett54@gmail.com.

Archdiocese Of Hartford Human Trafficking Task Force

Human Trafficking is occurring in our state and across the globe and YOU can do something about it. Awareness is the first step!

Please join St. Elizabeth Of the Trinity Social Action Group on **Thursday, October 3 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm in St. Barnabas Church** for a presentation given by the Archdiocese of Hartford Human Trafficking Task Force.

**THE SACRAMENT
OF
CHRISTIAN BAPTISM**

September 15, 2024

Brody Thomas Mickolyzck



**THE NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
28 Church Street
North Haven, Connecticut 06473**

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The Reverend Scott G. Morrow, Minister

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is a moment in the Christian community when we recognize the grace of God living in each newborn creation.

INTRODUCTION

Minister: People were bringing little children to Jesus that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them:

PEOPLE: “LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME, DO NOT STOP THEM; FOR IT IS TO SUCH AS THESE THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD BELONGS. TRULY, I TELL YOU, WHOEVER DOES NOT RECEIVE THE KINGDOM OF GOD LIKE A LITTLE CHILD WILL NEVER ENTER IT.”

Minister: And Jesus took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

PEOPLE: JESUS SAID; “UNLESS WE ARE BORN ANEW, WE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD; UNLESS WE ARE BORN OF WATER AND THE SPIRIT, WE CANNOT ENTER GOD'S NEW ORDER”.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS AND SPONSORS

***QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION**

(The Congregation will please stand)

Deacon: Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to Brody Thomas Mickolyzck, about to be baptized, as he lives and grows in Christ?

PEOPLE: WE PROMISE OUR LOVE, SUPPORT, AND CARE TO BRODY THOMAS MICKOLYZCK, AND TO THOMAS AND BROOKLYN MICKOLYZCK AS THEY RAISE THEIR CHILD IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCH.

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BAPTISM

NAMING OF THE CHILD AND THE BAPTISM

PRAYER OF PRAISE FOR THE BAPTIZED

BENEDICTION: (Unison) ... BRODY THOMAS MICKOLYZCK, MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU. MAY THE LORD'S FACE SHINE UPON YOU AND BE GRACIOUS UNTO YOU. MAY THE LORD'S COUNTENANCE BE LIFTED UP UPON YOU AND GIVE YOU PEACE.

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We celebrate the baptism of:

Brody Thomas Mickolyzck

Born: April 24, 2024

Parents:

Thomas and Brooklyn Mickolyzck

Sponsors:

Daniel and Paige Mickolyzck

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	9/15	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP: In Person/Live Stream
Monday	9/16	9:30 a.m. 10:30 1:00 p.m. 4:30 6:00	Music Together (Dbl) Music Together (Dbl) Food Pantry Open Music Together (Dbl) CT Record Club (K)
Tuesday	9/17	9:30 a.m. 9:30 10:30 12:00 p.m. 12:00 3:30 6:00	Al-Anon (K) Music Together (Dbl) Music Together (Dbl) PLP BUILDING & GROUNDS (L) United Girls Choir (CH, K, Sanct) Bible Study (Zoom)
Wednesday	9/18	9:30 a.m. 10:00 10:30 5:15 p.m.	WINDOW DEADLINE Music Together (Dbl) FOOD PANTRY Music Together (Dbl) PASTORAL RELATIONS (Zoom)
Thursday	9/19	4:30 p.m. 7:00	Music Together (Dbl) CHANCEL CHOIR
Friday	9/20	9:30 a.m. 10:00 10:30 5:15 p.m.	Music Together (Dbl) FOOD PANTRY Music Together (Dbl) WHIST (CH)
Saturday	9/21	7:30 a.m. 9:30 9:30 10:30	MENS FELLOWSHIP (CH) Funeral: Lorraine Morehouse Music Together (Dbl) Music Together (Dbl)
Sunday	9/22	9:30 a.m. 10:45	WORSHIP: In Person/Live Stream NEWCOMER DISCUSSION (K)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

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

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.

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

*OPENING HYMN: "Lord, Speak to Me"

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1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak
 2 O lead me, so that I may lead
 3 O teach me, so that I may teach
 4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord,

in liv - ing e - choes of your tone;
 the wan - dering and the wa - vering feet;
 the pre - cious truths which you im - part;
 un - til my ver - y heart o'er - flows

as you have sought, so let me seek
 O feed me, so that I may feed
 and wing my words, that they may reach
 in kin - dling thought and glow - ing word,

your stray - ing chil - dren lost and lone.
 your hun - gering ones with man - na sweet.
 the hid - den depths of ma - ny a heart.
 your love to tell, your praise to show.

* HYMN: "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"

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D A Bm (A7) D (G D)

1 Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te,
 2 Jé - sus, je vou - drais te lou - er sur ma rou - te,
 1 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney,
 2 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.

D G Em A E7 A

Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an - non - cer à mes voi - sins par - tout;
 Jé - sus, je vou - drais que ma voix soit l'é - cho de ta joie:
 I'll tell ev - ery - bod - y a - bout you where - ev - er I go:
 May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.

A7 D G B7 Em A

car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour.
 et que chan - te la terre et que chan - te le ciel;
 for our life and our peace and our love is your - self.
 May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.

D Em A Bm (A7) D (G D)

Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te.
 Jé - sus, je vou - drais te lou - er sur ma rou - te.
 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney.
 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.

3 Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route;
 Jésus, je voudrais partager les souffrances de ta croix,
 car tu livres pour moi et ton corps et ton sang;
 Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route.

4 Jésus, je voudrais tout au long de ma route,
 entendre tes pas résonner dans la nuit près de moi,
 jusqu'à l'aube du jour où ton peuple sauvé,
 Jésus, chantera ton retour sur ma route.

3 As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant
 to carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears,
 for you saved me by giving your body and blood.
 As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.

4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey,
 but courage will come with the sound of your steps by my side;
 and with all of the family you saved by your love,
 we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our journey.

*CLOSING HYMN: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

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Descant

5 Take my love: and I will pour at thy

1 Take my life, and let it be con - se -
 2 Take my hands, and let them move at the
 ♦ 3 Take my lips, and let them be filled with
 4 Take my will, and make it thine; it shall
 5 Take my love: and I will pour at thy

feet its trea - sure store; take my - self, and

cra - ted, all for thee; take my mo - ments
 im - pulse of thy love; take my feet, and
 ♦ mes - sag - es from thee; take my in - tel -
 be no long - er mine; take my heart, it
 feet its trea - sure store; take my - self, and

I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 let them be swift and pur - pose - ful for thee.
 ♦ lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.
 is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.
 I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.