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United Church of Christ



Pink Sunday

North Haven, Connecticut

An Open & Affirming Congregation

NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, October 6, 2024

9:30 a.m.

20th Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 22 The Sacrament of Communion Pink Sunday

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: D Major Mosso Moderato

J.G. Vierling

*OPENING HYMN: "All Praise to Thee"

V327

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: This is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.

PEOPLE: This is the place where the prophets cry out for peace and justice and righteousness.

Leader: It is the place where God reaches down into the corners of our lives,

PEOPLE: to offer us the mystery of holy love.

Leader: This is no ordinary gathering.

ALL: This is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.**

*LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison

Good and Gracious God,

Grant us courage to serve others; For in service there is true life.

Free us to pray for others; For You are present in every person.

Bring forth song and celebration

so that the spirit will be alive among us.

And let us never tire of the struggle for justice,

let us never tire of the work for peace.## Amen. Cesar Chavez

*THE GLORIA PATRI

P513

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

Jesus, who sat at the table with outcasts and sinners, we confess that too often our words and actions are not consistent with our beliefs. Often we ignore the needy, show indifference to the lonely, and reject those who seem different from us. Forgive us, we pray. Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance.** Amen.

~ silence ~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ALL: Thanks be to God

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O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

* HYMN: "The Head That Once Was Crowned"

V190

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various Pg 1359 ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are humans that you are mindful of them or mortals that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and

those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

GIFT OF MUSIC: River in Judea Words: Linda Marcus

Music: Jack Feldman

Sung by the Chancel Choir arr. John Leavitt

"There is a river in Judea, that I heard of long ago; and it's a singing, ringing river that my soul cries out to know."

MEDITATION: "The Name Above Every Name" 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

Hymn of Preparation: "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" V479

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 Love Your Realm, O God" v. 1-4 Insert

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: C Major Maestoso

B. Kothe

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Deacon is Peter Hall. **Scripture Reader** is Doris Ferner. **Fellowship Hour** is hosted by Women's Fellowship in celebration of Pink Sunday. **Today's flowers** are given by Cathy Welch.

Quote of the day:

Little Johnny was crying on his way home from church. His father repeatedly asked him what was wrong. Johnny finally replied, "The preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, but I want to stay with you guys!" Church Chuckles

Be The Help Until Help Arrives!

Emergencies happen anywhere and at any time. 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 preregistration is required since the class size is limited. Please register by email with Ed Collett, ecollett54@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, November 2, 2024 Women's Fellowship (church) Fair, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Your help is needed!

We are accepting donations for "Grandma's Attic," "Nearly New Room," and "Christmas Room." Items can be dropped off in the elevator entranceway during office hours or after Sunday service until October 27. Please mark donations "Women's Fellowship."

We also need bakers for the "Bakery Table"—pies, cakes, cupcakes, breads, or any other baked goods you like to make. "Cookie Walk" needs lots of cookies to fill the L O N G table. Items for the "Jewelry Table" are needed. We will also need help sorting and setting up, as well as help during and after the fair!

Sorting will begin on Monday, October 28, at 10:30 a.m., and setup will be every day through Friday, November 1. Please see Carol Mitchell to sign up! Thank you in advance for your help in making OUR Church Fair a success!

MENTAL HEALTH JUSTICE FOR ALL

Mental Health is a Universal Human Right

"God will not falter or lose heart until justice prevails throughout the earth."

(Isaiah 42:4

A World with Mental Health Justice for all is God's Dream for Us



Everyone is created in God's image, and everybody should receive quality mental health care.

In 2015, the General Synod of the United Church of Christ passed a resolution to become **WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive, and Engaged)** for mental health.

A just world for all is a world where the human rights and well-being of people with mental health challenges are respected, no matter who you are or where you are in life's mental health journey.

We believe we all have a God-given right to the following to support mental health:

- 1. The right to be protected from known harms to mental health; a universal right which applies to the entire population, but especially the vulnerable including children and oppressed peoples.
- 2. The right to access quality and affordable care when a person is experiencing mental health challenges.
- 3. The right to freedom and dignity, including the right of choice for mental health care. Visit **www.mhn-ucc.org** to learn more about these mental health principles.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wear your "pink" to church and join the Women's Fellowship in support of those fighting this disease and finding a cure.

A BAKE SALE will be held after worship with goodwill offerings to support the CT based non-profit "After the Storm".

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Women's Fellowship will hosting "Pink Sunday" on October 6, 2024.

We are asking EVERYONE (men included) to wear pink on that day, In person at church or at home watching the service virtually!

There will be baked goods available for purchase after the service!

Please consider supporting "After The Storm" by sending your check Payable

to Women's Fellowship! Your donation is greatly appreciated! All funds raised will be donated to "After The Storm" again this year! Honor those survivors you know and love, WEAR YOUR PINK!!



North Haven Congregational Church Celebrates Rev. Scott Morrow and Carol Amico for their 30 years of service

Please join us:

November 17, 2024

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

(guest preacher: The Rev. Lucia Jackson)

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Reception Carroll Hall - Light lunch

R.S. V.P. to <u>churchoffice@northhavenucc.org</u> or 203-239-5691.

Scott came to North Haven Congregational Church (NHCC) in November of 1994 from the Orange Congregational Church where he was the Associate Minister for five years. While at NHCC, he has become integral to the community supporting organizations beyond our congregation.

Carol is a physician associate specializing in HIV care who has worked at Hospital of St. Raphael, Yale New Haven Hospital, and now Yale School of Medicine. She is active in the chancel choir and the New Haven Chorale.

Their children, Jesse and Amy, grew up in the church and are now living in Brooklyn, New York and Portland, Maine respectively.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Nancie Estep 10/09, Kayla McKosky 10/09, Olivia Scoppetto 10/09, Jeff Whipple 10/11.

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







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

*CLOSING HYMN: "We Love Your Realm, O God" v. 1-4 Insert



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.