

Music Appreciation Sunday
June 19, 2022
1st Presbyterian of Rockaway
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**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE **“By Streams of Living Water”** **by Michael E. Akers**
Based on these hymn tunes: VILLE DU HAVRE and HANSON PLACE
Church Street Ringers

Please use this time to silently prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

As the deer pants for streams of water, so we long for you, O God.

We thirst for you, the living God. When can we come and stand in your presence?

Through each day, the Lord pours his unfailing love upon us,

Through each night we sing his songs, praying to the God who gives us life.

Send out your light and your truth, O God. Let them guide us to your holy mountain, to the place where you live.

Then we will go to the altar of God, to God—the source of all our joy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world, enable us to be still and know that You are God.

O Lord who answers out of the whirlwind of everyday life, breathe in us your Holy Spirit to strengthen, comfort, and guide us in the midst of the storm. O still, small voice, speak to us this hour that we might become makers of your peace in our homes, in our communities, in our world.

We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea. Amen.

***HYMN 370 THIS IS MY FATHER’S WORLD**

1 This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is my Father's world. O, let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world. The battle is not done: Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future where we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image.

Silent Prayer

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the teaching of Christ: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love another."

In Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI (581)**

**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.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Ryon Herin

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 42 and 43

1 As a deer longs for flowing streams so my soul longs for you, O God. ² My soul thirsts for God for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? ³ My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

⁴ These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. ⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help ⁶ and my God.

My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. ⁷ Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your torrents; all your waves and your billows have gone over me. ⁸ By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

⁹ I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me?

Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?"

¹⁰ As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

¹¹ Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

¹ Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; from those who are deceitful and unjust, deliver me!

² For you are the God in whom I take refuge; why have you cast me off? Why must I walk about mournfully because of the oppression of the enemy?

³ O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. ⁴ Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

Luke 8:26-39

²⁶ Then they arrived at the region of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.

²⁷ As he stepped out on shore, a man from the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had not worn any clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, shouting, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me," ²⁹ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding, and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd stampeded down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they became frightened. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then the whole throng of people of the surrounding region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone out begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

**ANTHEM "Simple Gifts" Shaker Hymn Adapted and arr. by John Coates, Jr.
Soloists: Rev. Ryon Herin and Noelle Restaino**

SERMON "Longing for God's Healing in Tough Times" Rev. Ryon Herin

***HYMN 169 DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND**

1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.

3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!

4 Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

5 Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE “Celebration” by John Breytspraak, Jr.
Church Street Ringers**

Please remain seated and give thanks to God.

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ATTENTION

**The worship service will change to 9:30am beginning next Sunday, June 26
Adult and Children Sunday School will begin meeting again in September
Join us for the Summer Book Study**

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Summer Book Study Opportunities at FPC Rockaway

Summer is coming soon and this means that our regular bible studies will be wrapping up for the season. Tuesday Bible Study’s last day was May 31st and the Sunday Bible Study’s last day was June 12th. In lieu of Bible Study, we will be having a book study on *How to Fight Racism: Courageous Christianity and the Journey toward Racial Justice* by Jemar Tisby as we explore the complex topic of racism and how we as a congregation can strive to be Antiracists. There will be two different book study group meetup times. Having been in conversation with our Matthew 25/Peacemaking group, I have decided this book study would be an excellent opportunity to explore one of the goals of being a Matthew 25 congregation which is talking about and being active in fighting systematic racism. Send an email to the office to sign-up for a group and get your book ordered today! Please RSVP as soon as possible so we can get an accurate count for planning.

Mondays 7 PM (Place TBD)- Let me know if you are interested in hosting! **July 25st-August 29th**

Tuesdays at 10:00 AM alternating between Pastor Ryon, and Donna and Henry Van Dyke’s House
July 26th-August 30th

You will be able to purchase copies through Christian Ed or buy your own through Amazon.

<https://www.amazon.com/How-Fight-Racism-Courageous-Christianity/dp/0310104777>

Wednesday, June 22

9:00 am—12:30 pm - Office Open

Thursday, June 23

9:00 am – 12:30 pm – Office Open

6:20 – 8:30 pm - Bell & Choir Rehearsals

7:00 pm – VBS Meeting/Training – Fellowship Hall

Friday, June 24

Saturday, June 25 – Decorating for VBS

Sunday, June 26 – Open & Close – Mark Kuschke

9:30 am – Worship Service – Sanctuary, via Zoom and Facebook

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Church School—9:15 am

Sunday Morning Worship Service—10:30 am

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