

October 2, 2022  
World Communion Sunday  
1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian of Rockaway  
Join Zoom Worship (login beginning at 10:30 AM EST)  
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*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** "It Is Well" Arranged by Jim Brickman

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

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Saviour Christ, increase our faith

**that we may trust the unseen truths as more important than bland or trivial physical possessions.**

Loving God, increase our hope

**that we may reach out for a better tomorrow and be undaunted by temporary setbacks.**

Inspiring Spirit, increase our love

**that we may put into the world something of the joy and compassion which you put into our lives.**

For the sake of your new world,

**and to your praise and glory. Amen!**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Boundless God, help us to see the world differently— not with our own limited vision but with the gaze of love and justice. Give us the foolishness to believe that we can change what the world says is impossible; and when we lose sight of the power of love to change the world, increase our faith. Amen.

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **\*HYMN 636 LET ALL THE WORLD IN EVERY CORNER SING**

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

1 The heavens are not too high, God's praise may thither fly; the earth is not too low, God's praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

2 The church with psalms must shout: no door can keep them out. But, more than all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

## **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Before we speak, God knows our needs, yet our words open our hearts to God's grace.

Let us prepare ourselves for God's healing as, in words and silence.

We tell of all that separates us from God and one another. Please join me as we pray,

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**First of all, Everlasting God,**

**We must confess how we have not lived as your people.**

**We serve many masters—work, wealth, power, addictions—yet find no hope in them. We hear the cries of the poor, and shut the doors of our hearts to them. We ridicule those who expose their hopes and dreams to us.**

**Forgive us, Compassion's Heart, and heal us of our brokenness.**

**Make us well, so that by our healing, we might be the hope and love others need in their lives, even as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, brought these gifts to us, calling us to be faithful with the grace, peace, and joy entrusted to us. *Silent Prayer* Amen.**

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Now that we have let go of the pain, the bitterness, the anger of our lives, let us be kind, tender-hearted, and gentle towards each other, forgiving as God has forgiven us. We are God's beloved children, and will model God's grace and love in our hearts. Thanks be to God! We are 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. Amy Sandlin**

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Psalm 37:1-9**

Do not fret because of those who are evil  
or be envious of those who do wrong;

<sup>2</sup> for like the grass they will soon wither,  
like green plants they will soon die away.

<sup>3</sup> Trust in the LORD and do good;  
dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Take delight in the LORD,  
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD;  
trust in him and he will do this:

<sup>6</sup> He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn,  
your vindication like the noonday sun.

<sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD  
and wait patiently for him;

do not fret when people succeed in their ways,  
when they carry out their wicked schemes.

<sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger and turn from wrath;  
do not fret—it leads only to evil.

<sup>9</sup> For those who are evil will be destroyed,  
but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the land.

**Luke 17:5-10**

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup> The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup> "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'?"

<sup>8</sup> Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

**ANTHEM "Remember Me" Music by Aaron Adams &  
Words by Stephen Andrews**

**SERMON**

**Rev. Amy Sandlin**

**\*HYMN 815 GIVE TO THE WINDS THY FEARS**

1 Give to the winds thy fears; hope, and be undismayed.

God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears; God shall lift up thy head.

2 Through waves and clouds and storms, God gently clears the way.

Wait patiently; so shall this night soon end in joyous day.

3 Leave to God's sovereign sway to choose and to command.

So shalt thou, wondering, own God's way, how wise, how strong God's hand!

4 Let us in life, in death, thy steadfast truth declare,  
and publish with our final breath thy love and guardian care.

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**The Apostles' Creed I**

**believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION (Peace and Justice Offering & Church Stewardship)**

**OFFERTORY "Prelude on Rockingham: My God, and Is Thy Table Spread" Arranged by Charles Callahan**

**DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Dear God,

Thank you for the many blessings you give us. Sometimes we feel afraid. Give us your spirit of power. Sometimes we feel upset. Give us your spirit of love. Sometimes we feel confused. Give us your spirit of self-control. Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to live in us.

Amen.

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**"I Love You Lord"      By Laurie Klein      Arranged by Phillip Keveren**

### **COMMUNION PRAYER**

#### **\*HYMN 729      LORD, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN**

1 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. In my heart, (In my heart,) in my heart (in my heart,) Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

2 Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart. In my heart, (In my heart,) in my heart (in my heart,) Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

3 Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. In my heart, (In my heart,) in my heart (in my heart,) Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

4 Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart. In my heart, (In my heart,) in my heart (in my heart,) Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

### **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE      "Toccata"      By Douglas E. Wagner**

*Please remain seated and give thanks to God. After the postlude, join us for coffee hour!!*

**GIVING TO 1ST PRESBYTERIAN OF ROCKAWAY**

Go to our web page (fpcrockaway.org), go to the Stewardship Giving page, scroll down to “donate” and give electronically <http://www.fpcrockaway.org/stewardshipgiving.html> or mail to:

1st Presbyterian of Rockaway  
35 Church St., Rockaway, NJ 07866

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The Outreach Committee will be hosting a table/space at this year’s Dark Lake Spooktacular, to be held at Park’s Lake on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 8:00pm. This is a great opportunity to bring attention to our church as well as reach out to our community. We welcome anyone to assist us in several ways!

#1 – donate a bag of candy! We’ll make a box available in the narthex for your donation

#2 – help decorate our space! We are calling all youth to participate. Come in costume and once we have decorated you are welcome to trick or treat. Rachel Kelly will be organizing a planning meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

#3 – help man our table. It’s a busy event and we’ll need many hands to help. Costumes encouraged

#4 – help clean up. Not fun, but necessary.

Please contact Kathy Siegrist if you can help with #1, #3 or #4. #1 only requires your candy donation by Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Thank you

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***Meet Rev. Unzu Lee***

October 9<sup>th</sup>

12 Noon BK Room

Rev. Unzu Lee is a member of our presbytery and the regional Liaison for East Asia for the PCUSA. She works out of South Korea. She will share information about her work during worship and after worship in the BK Room.

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**Upcoming New Members Class**

Rev. Ryon will be conducting a new members class in October. The class will be for four weeks. The specific dates have not yet been determined. They will be in the evening. A breakfast will follow after the 4 weeks.

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**Monday Evening Bible Study**

Will be Begin in October date to be determined.

Time: 7:00pm

Place: Linda Urwin’s Home

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Stephen Ministry belongs to *all* of us!

You can

*pray* for Stephen Ministry

*accept care* from a Stephen Minister

*tell a friend* who is hurting about Stephen Ministry

*consider* becoming a Stephen Ministry

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### SHOP RITE GIFT CARDS!!

**When you purchase Shop Rite Gift Cards from our church the church receives 5% of the cost of the gift card. (No extra cost to you).**

We have been selling Shop Rite Gift Cards at the church for many years. The profits we receive has been used to pay for programs/projects in our church. We all need to eat! It is a 'win win' for our church.

Contact Pat Budis if you have any questions 201-230-2286. You can pick them up from Pat or she will even deliver.

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The First Presbyterian Church of Rockaway is a registered charity on AmazonSmile. Every time you make a purchase at smile.amazon.com, 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be directly donated to our church. It costs you nothing and the church gets income to continue it's ministries in the community. All you need to do is sign up and here's how!

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you are prompted to select a charitable organization from their list of eligible organizations. You can change your selection at any time. To list our church as your charitable organization, enter "First Presbyterian Church, Rockaway." If you do not currently have an Amazon account, sign into smile.amazon.com and follow the prompts to set up an account then follow the instructions above to choose our church as your charitable organization.

Let's get the word out to our family, friends, co-workers and neighbors. Anyone can sign up and designate our church to receive funds so please spread the word!

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### Calendar

Sunday, October 2 – Open Close = Joe Martinoni

9:15 – 10:15 am – Adult & Children's Sunday School

(Confirmation Class cancelled for this Sunday)

10:30 am – Worship Service – sanctuary, via zoom and Facebook

2:00 – 4:00 pm – MORE – Fellowship Hall

Monday – October 3 – Office Closed

Tuesday – October 4 –

9:00 am – 12:30 pm – Office Open

9:30 – 11:00 am - Bible Study – via Zoom

12:00 – 1:30 pm – AA Meeting – BK Room

7:30 pm – Christian Ed Meeting – via Zoom

7:30 – 9:30 pm – FA Meeting – Scout Room

Wednesday – October 5 –

9:00 am – 12:30 pm – Office Open

7:00 pm – Property & Cemetery Meeting

Thursday, October 6 –

9:00 am – 12:30 pm – Office Open

6:20 – 6:45 pm – Beginner Bell Choir

6:50 – 7:30 pm – Advanced Bell Choir

7:30 – 8:30 pm – Adult Choir

Friday, October 7 – Office Closed

Saturday, October 8 –

Sunday, October 9 – Open & Close – Laurie Morse

9:15 – 10:15 am – Confirmation Class, Adult & Children's Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship Service – sanctuary, via Zoom & Facebook

11:45 am – Meet Rev. Unzu Lee – BK Room

2:00 – 4:00 pm – MORE – Fellowship Hall

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Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:30 am

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