

May 22, 2016 – 10:00 am
First Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: A Prayer for Tomorrow Allen Pote

Chiming of the Hour

***Hymn:** *Let Us Build A House ~ insert ~*

Welcome

Joys and Concerns

Introit: *Come Christians, Join to Sing*

Call to Worship

One: God finds delight in humanity, and in each of us.
Let us rejoice before the majesty of our Creator.

**All: God of grace and glory, who made all things,
How majestic is your name in all the earth!**

One: In Christ, we are called to endure and to hope.
Let us give thanks for a faith that brings peace.

**All: God of grace and glory, Savior of your people,
How precious to us is your gift of Jesus Christ!**

One: The Holy Spirit is present to guide and direct us,
Let us listen that we may hear and do what is true.

**All: God of grace and glory, ever present with us,
How reassuring is the love with which you surround us!**

One: Come let us worship God together!

Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

Amazing God, revealed to us in more ways than we can count, yet binding in unity all that was and is and yet shall be, we worship you. Source of mountains and seas, giver of light and darkness, we marvel at the work of your hands. Reconciler and Redeemer, we are awed by the forgiving love that draws us to you and empowers us to care for one another. Spirit of truth, whose guidance is available to us every day, we rejoice in our transforming presence. Triune God, bless, we pray, this gathering of your disciples. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of Wisdom, our choices have denied you. We drink from the shallow waters of instant gratification when you offer springs of living water from the depths of your love. We pursue our own fame and glory, which crumble into dust when we view the sacrifice and service that build true character. O God, we confess that we have not put first things first. Recall us to awe and wonder and guide us in the ways of truth.

Hear now our silent confessions as we seek your mercy, forgiveness and grace.

Moment of silent prayer

Assurance of God's Love

***Gloria Patri:** *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.*

Responsive Reading - Psalm 8

(Page 605 HS in the pew bible)

Scripture Reading - Proverbs 8:22-34

(Page 726 HS in the pew bible)

***Hymn:** #317 *I Love to Tell the Story*

Offering of our Gifts

Anthem: Minuet # 1 and # 3 J.S. Bach

Ella Rydingsword, cello

Andrea Bargabos, violin and piano

***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 Dedication

Scripture Reading – Romans 5:1-5

(Page 188 NT in the pew bible)

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, and Lord's Prayer

The Sunday School Children

Present

THE TALE OF THE THREE TREES

Music by Allen Pote

Lyrics and Narration by Tom S. Long

Directed by Barbara Collins

Benediction

Postlude: Dreams, We All Have Dreams Allen Pote
(* Please stand if able.)

Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and fellowship following worship. Our host today is the Good Family.

Our ushers today are Janet & Sal Accardo.
Our Lay Reader today is Karin Noyes.

Hearing Assist Devices are available in the narthex.

Prayer List

*Kay & Stan Norman, Shirley Rogers, Alice Gustafson,
Jane Fitting, Rosie Bell, Nancy Tuckerman, Kit Kellogg,
Barbara Jacqueline, Gloria Buckley, Petie Robinson,
Jeri Johnson, Nancy Smith.*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Today 11:15 am Ushers Committee Meeting
 Monday 6 pm Salisbury Band Rehearsal in the Parish Hall
 Wednesday 10:30 am Scoville Memorial Library's Toddler Story Time in the Parish Hall
 3:30 pm Staff Meeting
 Thursday 8:30 am "Silent" Retreat
 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study
 7 pm HousaTonics Rehearsal

OPPORTUNITIES

SILVER LAKE SUMMER CAMP

Registration for Silver Lake Conference Center in Sharon is now open. Take a look at the many great offerings by visiting: www.silverlake.ctucc.org. Brochures can also be found on the Opportunity Table in the Parish Hall. Scholarships are available. Please see Pastor Diane.

BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible Study meets each Thursday at 4:30 pm in the Parish Hall Library. We will be using UCC "Still Speaking Bible Study". All women are welcome!

FAITH DISCUSSIONS

Kevin Wolgemuth is initiating a discussion group with people interested in exploring questions of faith over the summer. An initial gathering will be held on Thursday, June 16 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall for anyone who is interested. All are welcome!

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR COFFEE HOUR AND FLOWERS

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