

Gilead Presbyterian Church August 21, 2022, 10:00 a.m. Proper 16, Year C

WELCOME

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.



OPENING MUSIC

"Blessed" Penny Cameron, piano and Mary Temple, organ by Elton John

OPENING SCRIPTURE

John 15:15, Colossians 1:10, John 15:8, Matthew 7:17-20, Galatians 5:22-25 Leader: Jesus said, "Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit." **People: The fruit of the Spirit tastes of love, joy and peace.** Leader: Walk with the Lord, bearing fruit in every good work. **People: The fruit of the Spirit tastes of patience, kindness, and generosity.** Leader: In this is the Almighty glorified, that you bear fruit in discipleship. **People: The fruit of the Spirit tastes of faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.** Leader: Every healthy tree bears good fruit...you will recognize them by their fruits. **People: As we live by the Spirit, let us be guided by the fruitfulness of Spirit.**

*PURPLE HYMNAL #286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" 1. Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER

LITANY OF CONFESSION (Leader and Congregation)

The fruit of the Spirit is love,

But we have loved darkness rather than light, loved you too little and ourselves too much.

The fruit of the Spirit is joy,

But we have been sour, and bitter, and the joy of the LORD has been absent. The fruit of the Spirit is peace,

But we have fretted, worried, and forgotten the finished work of Christ. The fruit of the Spirit is patience,

But we have snapped at others, and questioned your wise timing. The fruit of the Spirit is kindness,

But we have been harsh, cutting, and biting, So unlike our Lord Jesus Christ, who prayed for his persecutors.

The fruit of the Spirit is goodness,

But we have often chosen the passing pleasures of sin over your good laws. The fruit of the Spirit is faithfulness,

But we have been unreliable; we have let others down, and not taken our relationship promises seriously.

The fruit of the Spirit is gentleness,

But we have been unwilling to yield, and stiff-necked.

The fruit of the Spirit is self-control,

But our wills have been weak, and our own sinful desires have got the better of us. Lord, show us your mercy, in the name of the God who is love and mercy, and our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

--adapted from All Nations Church Ilford, London SILENT PRAYER ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE GLORIA**

Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: Peace be with you. People: And also with you.

ANTHEM	"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"	by V. Earle Copes
	Gilead Singers	& Ronald S. Cole-Turner

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

SCRIPTURE READINGS

⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the Almighty God, those whose trust is the Almighty.

⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. *Jeremiah 17:7-8* ²² The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness,
²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Daniel John Cameron-Soto, son of Meaghan Cameron and Ray Soto

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry" by John C. Ylvisaker Paul Francis, baritone

Sweet and Sour



The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SERMON

Rev. Martin McGeachy

*PURPLE HYMNAL #43 "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord" 1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!" *Refrain*: And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,

bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under his wings, your refuge, his faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*

4. For to his angels he's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Refrain*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

THE OFFERING OFFERTORY

"Baptized in Water" Gilead Singers

Gaelic Melody text by Michael J. Saward

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen. *PRAYER OF DEDICATION *GRAY HYMNAL #344 "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" 1. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

2. He's got the wind and the rain in his hands. (Sing three times) **He's got the whole world in his hands.**

3. He's got the little tiny baby in his hands. . . He's got the whole world in his hands.

4. He's got everybody here in his hands. . . He's got the whole world in his hands.

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

"Make Me a Blessing" Mary Temple, organ

*Please stand, if you are able.

The flowers this morning are donated by Penny Cameron to the glory of God and in celebration of the baptism of Daniel John Cameron-Soto.

Thank you to our videographer Stephanie Gould.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

► Celebrate the Fruits of the Spirit Day with us in worship today, August 21, and bring a fruit dish to share after worship.

► Today, August 21, Gilead Singers rehearse at 9:15 a.m. Bell Chimes rehearse after worship.

⁺ We accept offerings through the "Online Giving" link on our website, <u>www.gileadchurch.org</u>, or mail checks made out to Gilead Presbyterian Church, 9 Church Street, Carmel, NY 10512. Or give elsewhere if you see a need. In doing so, we brighten the world, and brighten our hearts.

Rev. Martin McGeachy, Pastor Mary Temple, Music Director Diana Drake Behan, Church School Superintendent

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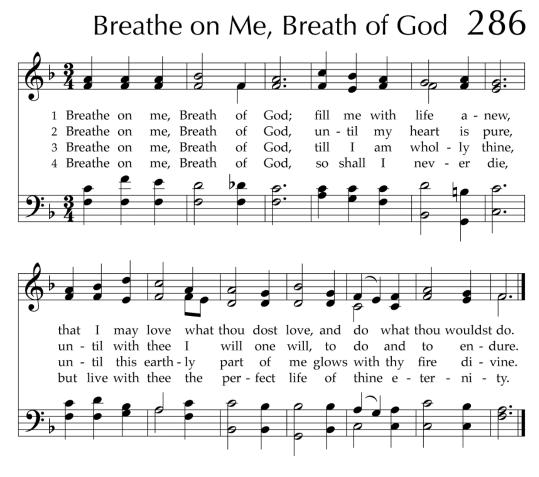
Follow Me: Biblical Practices for Faithful Living

Fall Theme: WELCOME ALL Our faith practices hospitality, we welcome all back to church school!



We need teachers to share with our youth in their faith journey. Curriculum and supplies provided.

Please contact Diana Drake Behan 845-225-1979 or <u>ddbehan@gmail.com</u>



In both Hebrew and Greek, the words for "spirit" can equally well be translated as "breath" or "wind," so it is very appropriate to address the Holy Spirit as the "Breath of God." This tune by an English organist has become the customary one in North American hymnals.

TEXT: Edwin Hatch, 1878 MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888 TRENTHAM SM CREATION AND PROVIDENCE



Although the body of this text is a paraphrase of Psalm 91, the refrain combines allusions to Exodus 19:4, Psalm 139:9, and Isaiah 40:31; 49:16. Written in response to the death of a friend's father, this piece has been a source of consolation to many people.

ON EAGLE'S WINGS Irregular

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

