

Gilead Presbyterian Church
November 13, 2022, 10:00 a.m.
Proper 28, 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 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" tune by William Bradbury
Mary Temple, organ arr. by David Payton

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Leader: The Lord, who supplies seed to the sower and bread for our food will supply and multiply your seed,

People: And the Lord will increase the harvest of our righteousness.

Leader: You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce Thanksgiving to God.

All: Thanks be to God for God's indescribable gift!

***GRAY HYMNAL #345**

"Blessed Assurance"

- 1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.
This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.**
- 2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.**
- 3. Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.
This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Creator God, who gives all that is good, we come this day with thanksgiving, for you have blessed our lives. You have made our world and promised the fullness of life for all creation. Yet we misuse your gifts. We are often led by selfish desires and ambitions. The good you give to us we destroy or refashion for our own purposes. Forgive us, O God, and recreate the good in us as we forgive others and look for what is good in them. Call us again to be your people, to declare your love in all we say and do. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

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.**

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

*HYMN

**"We Are the Church" vss. 1,3,4
(see insert, p. 6)**

by Avery & Marsh

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE

¹⁷ Christ came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him all of us have access in one Spirit to God Almighty. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the family of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. *Ephesians 2:17-22*

¹ In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. ² The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³ But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴ These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, ⁵ both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. ⁶ Then Naomi started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Almighty God had considered God's people and given them food. ⁷ So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and

they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. ⁸ But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May God deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹ God grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your late husband's family." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. ¹⁰ They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹ But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹² Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, ¹³ would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Almighty God has turned against me." ¹⁴ Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law good-bye and turned back, but Ruth clung to her. ¹⁵ So Naomi said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶ But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die, I will die— there will I be buried. May God Almighty do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" ¹⁸ When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her. ¹⁹ So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Ruth 1:1-19

SERMON "All in the Family" Rev. Martin McGeachy

ANTHEM "Praise Him! Praise Him!" words by Fanny Crosby
Gilead Singers tune by Chester Allen

AFFIRMATION OF FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP (Allen & Sara Ewing-Merrill, 2004)

We believe in God, Creator of the universe, Giver of every good gift, Author of life itself. We believe in Jesus Christ, who reminded us of the coming of God's kingdom, who commanded us to care for those in need, who taught us to store up treasures in heaven, not on earth, and who gave us the example of self-giving love. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who inspires us to faithful stewardship of God's gifts, in whom we live and move and have our being, by whom all things are possible. We believe that God has given us gifts to be shared freely and generously, in a spirit of love and joy. We acknowledge that we are merely stewards of all that is God's, caretakers of God's home. We believe that faithful stewardship is an act of worship, a means of praising God who has blessed us so abundantly. We believe that God has great things in store for us, for it is in giving that we receive. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

“Rescue the Perishing”
Gilead Singers

words by Fanny Crosby
tune by William H. Doane

***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 #66**

“To God Be the Glory”

1. To God be the glory, great things He hath done!

**So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done!**

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

**To ev’ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.**

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done!**

3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,

**And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.**

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done!**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

**“The Joyful Trumpet”
Mary Temple, organ**

by Lani Smith

**Please stand, if you are able.*

Thank you to our videographer today, Stephanie Gould.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▶ Masks are optional at Gilead, but please be careful with one another, respecting distances.
- ▶ The November mission is the Gilead Food Pantry. We can use monetary donations, as well as all non-perishable foods. Leave in the outside bin or fill the sanctuary box.
- ▶ Join us Wednesdays on Zoom at 8:30 a.m. for prayer and 7:30 p.m. for Bible Study. The link is in the weekly email. Advent study will begin November 30.
- ▶ The Session meets on Zoom Tuesday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m.
- ▶ This morning and the following two Sundays, November 13, 20 & 27, Gilead Singers rehearse at 9:15 to sing in worship.
- ▶ Please bring in your pledge cards to be blessed on November 20, and join us in decorating the sanctuary for Advent/Christmas after worship.
- ▶ Join us for an Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on November 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Mahopac Presbyterian Church, 411 Route 6N (at Secor Rd), Mahopac, NY 10541. You can livestream the service at www.mahopacchurch.org. The Interfaith choir will gather at 6:15 to rehearse.

† *We accept offerings through the “Online Giving” link on our website, www.gileadchurch.org, 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.*

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We Are the Church

Refrain (Unison)

I am the church! You are the church!

We are the church to - geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,

all a - round the world! Yes, we're the church to -

geth - er!

1. The church is not a build - ing, the
2. We're man - y kinds of peo - ple, with
3. Some - times the church is march - ing, some -
4. And when the peo - ple gath - er, there's
5. At Pen - te - cost some peo - ple re -

church is not a rest - ing place, the col - ors and all a - ges, too, from times it's rid - ing, some - times hid - ing, laugh - ing and there's cry - ing some - times, told the Good News through the world to

church is a peo - ple. all times and plac - es. al - ways it's learn - ing. all of it say - ing: all who would hear it.

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church is not a stee - ple, the man - y kinds of fac - es, all times it's brave - ly burn - ing, some - sing - ing and there's pray - ing, there's ceived the Ho - ly Spir - it and

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345 Blessed Assurance

Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. James 5:13

1. Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light! Vi - sions of rap - ture now
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion—all is at rest, I in my Sav - ior am

glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,
 burst on my sight; An - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove
 hap - py and blest; Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

Descant

This is my sto - ry,
Refrain
 Born of His Spir - it, washed in His blood. This is my sto - ry,
 Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. This is my sto - ry,
 Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love.

this is my song, Prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; This is my
 this is my song, Prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; This is my

TEXT: Fanny J. Crosby
 MUSIC: Phoebe P. Knapp; Descant by James C. Gibson
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ASSURANCE
 9.10.9.9. with Refrain

sto - ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

sto - ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

The image shows a musical score for three staves. The top staff is a vocal melody in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time, with lyrics: "sto - ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long." The middle staff is a piano accompaniment in the same key and time, featuring chords and eighth-note patterns. The bottom staff is a bass line in the same key and time, providing harmonic support with eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are repeated under the piano accompaniment staff.

66 To God Be the Glory

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Ps. 126:3

1. To God be the glo - ry—great things He hath done! So loved He the
 2. O per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur-chase of blood! To ev - 'ry be-
 3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, And great our re-

world that He gave us His Son, Who yield - ed His life an a -
 liev - er the prom-ise of God; The vil - est of - fen - der who
 joic - ing thru Je - sus the Son; But pur - er and high - er and

tone-ment for sin And o-pened the Life-gate that all may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, That mo-moment from Je - sus a par-don re-ceives.
 great-er will be Our won-der, our trans-port, when Je-sus we see.

Descant

Praise the Lord, hear His voice! Praise the

Refrain

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord,

TEXT: Fanny J. Crosby
 MUSIC: William H. Doane;
 Descant and choral ending by Doug Holck

TO GOD BE THE GLORY
 11.11.11.11. with Refrain

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Lord, Let the peo-ple re - jice! Come to the Fa-ther thru

Praise the Lord, Let the peo-ple re - jice! O come to the Fa-ther thru

Je - sus the Son, And give Him the glo - ry—great things He hath done!

Je - sus the Son, And give Him the glo - ry—great things He hath done!

Optional choral ending
cresc. poco a poco

mf

To God be the glo-ry, to God be the glo-ry; Oh, give Him the

rit.

glo - ry great things He hath done, great things He hath done! (He hath done!)

*sing cued notes if choral ending is not used.