# GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

# Sunday, June 25, 2023, 10:00 a.m. 4th Sunday in Pentecost, Year A

OPENING MUSIC "I Love to Tell the Story" by William G. Fischer

Mary Temple, organ

OPENING SCRIPTURE Psalms 1:1-3

Leader: Happy are those who take delight in the law of the Lord. **People: On the Word of the Lord they meditate day and night.** 

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water.

People: In all that they do they prosper.

\*PURPLE HYMNAL #336 "We Gather Together"

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

#### OPENING PRAYER

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear God, we have read your Word of truth with our eyes, but we have not truly seen. We have felt your Word of peace in our hearts, but we have turned away. We have heard your Word of salvation proclaimed, but we have not believed the Good News. We have known your Word of justice in our souls, but we have turned aside. We have sung your Word of joy to the world, but we have not sustained it. Help us to receive your Word, and be your Word in the world this day. In the name of Christ who is your Word, 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.

ANTHEM "Jesus Loves Me" Church School

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART Presentation of Bibles

#### SCRIPTURE

<sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple; 8 the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; 9 the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. 11 Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. Psalm 19:7-11

<sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup> For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup> for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup> But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

James 1:22-25

SERMON "Word & Spirit" Rev. Martin McGeachy

\*HYMN "The B-I-B-L-E" The B-I-B-L-E, yes that's the Book for me! I stand alone on the Word of God, the B-I-B-L-E!

THE OFFERING

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" OFFERTORY text: Sylvia Dunstan

Gilead Singers music: William Moore

#### \*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

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

For those joining virtually, all are invited to partake of bread and wine or any substance that feels appropriate; or take in the sacrifice of the Lord symbolically. For those joining physically, the individual Communion sets contain juice; in the trays the red is wine and the yellow is juice.

INVITATION

WELCOME OF FIRST-TIME COMMUNICANTS Emmy D'Ascoli, Gia D'Ascoli, Vincent D'Ascoli, Benjamn Howard Warren

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING SHARING OF THE BREAD, SHARING OF THE CUP

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.

\*PURPLE HYMNAL #838 "Standing on the Promises"

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" Jamaican folk song Gilead Singers arr. By Potter & Koan

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POSTLUDE "The Heavens are Telling" by Ludwig van Beethoven Mary Temple, organ

\*The congregation is invited to stand. **BOLD**: Congregation responds/sings

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Thank you to our videographer today, Alexis Gould.

# This Week at Gilead

Family & Children's Day- First Communion, and Bibles given Today Sunday, June 25

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship with Communion
- Congregational Meal & kids' games after church. Hot dogs and drinks provided. bring a dish to share.

### Monday, June 26

11 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Tuesday, June 27

# Wednesday, June 28

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.
  - Bible Study is on hiatus until the fall.

#### Thursday, June 29

11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

## Friday, June 30

• 10:00 a.m. to noon. Gilead Food Pantry

Saturday, July 1

# Sunday, July 2

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship with monthly Communion
- Following worship, join us for coffee and fellowship.

We accept offerings through the "Online Giving" link on our website, www.gileadchurch.org, or mail checks to Gilead Presbyterian Church, 9 Church Street, Carmel, NY 10512.

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