

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, July 23, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
8th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 11, Year A

OPENING MUSIC

"Faith of Our Fathers"
Lucy Temple, piano

by Henry F. Hemy
arr. by Faber

OPENING SCRIPTURE Psalm 13:5-6

Leader: O LORD, we trust in your steadfast love.

People: Our hearts shall rejoice in your salvation.

Leader: We will sing to the LORD!

People: For the LORD has dealt bountifully with us.

***GRAY HYMNAL #461 "He Leadeth Me"**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, we call upon you in our hour of need. Save us! We are beset by our circumstances, distracted from your purposes, drowning in doubts and fears. We try to believe in you, but all too often turn our focus to the pain we see, and accept it as our only reality. We harden our hearts to the suffering around us, feeding ourselves in the face of the injustice that holds our brothers and sisters captive, telling ourselves that we've done all we can. Help us to remember that there is always more we can do when we allow your love to move through us. Grant us forgiveness and salvation, that we may in turn offer it to our neighbor. In Christ's name, 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

“Sunshine in the Soul” by John Sweeny, arr. by Chris Cooke
Gilead Singers, Della Temple, flute, Zoe Temple, trumpet

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE

¹ But now thus says the Almighty, the One who created you, O Jacob, the One who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³ For I am the Almighty, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. *Isaiah 43:1-3*

¹ Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. *Luke 5:1-6*

SERMON

“Up to Our Noses”

Rev. Martin McGeachy

*GRAY HYMNAL #410

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Deep and Wide”

words and music by Sidney Cox

Gilead Singers with **Congregational Chorus**

1. There's a wondrous fountain, Filled with living water,
Flowing from the Saviour's wounded side,
There's an invitation to the heaven laden,
To this fountain Flowing deep and wide.

**Chorus: Deep and Wide, Deep and Wide, There's a fountain flowing deep and wide,
Deep and Wide, Deep and Wide, There's a fountain flowing deep and wide.**

2. Sweet and gracious is the Voice that bids us welcome—
Cease your weary wandering and abide—
Where the healing waters flow from living fountains,
Fountains that are pure, and deep and wide. **(Chorus)**

3. There is life abundant—gift from God our Father—
Source, whence every need may be supplied—
It is offered freely, without price or money,
Drink from Heavenly fountains, deep and wide. **(Chorus)**

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.**

***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**

***PURPLE HYMNAL #404 "The Solid Rock"**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** "Sunshine in the Soul" by John Sweeny, arr. by Chris Cooke
Gilead Singers, Della Temple, flute, Zoe Temple, trumpet

POSTLUDE "Love Lifted Me" by Howard Smith
Della Temple, flute, Zoe Temple, trumpet arr. by Chris Cooke

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

*Thank you to our Lay Reader today, Paul Francis,
and our videographers, Alexis & Stephanie Gould.*

This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, July 23

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

Monday, July 24

- 11 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Tuesday, July 25

Wednesday, July 26

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom. The link is in the weekly bulletin.

Thursday, July 27

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Friday, July 28

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

Saturday, July 29

Sunday, July 30

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers Rehearse
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
- 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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