

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, October 15th, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

*We welcome Rev. Casey Carbone, Director for Congregational Connection
for the Hudson River Presbytery, to the pulpit today!*

OPENING MUSIC

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"
Mary Temple, organ

by J.S. Bach
arr. by Denes Agay

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always!

People: All thanks and praise to God!

Leader: Do not worry about anything.

People: We trust in God who provides for us.

Leader: Let the peace of God settle among you.

People: We will share God's peace with all.

*PURPLE HYMNAL #363

"Rejoice, the Lord is King!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

True God from True God, we have not built a golden calf, but we have worshipped idols. We have put our trust in what we build with our own hands. We find security in what we can hoard instead of trusting your provision. We listen to lies that spread hatred and division instead of the radical truth of your word. Forgive us. Melt down our idols until we see only you and fix our sight on your way alone. 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

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”
Gilead Bell Chimes

by William Bradbury

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

(The children are dismissed to Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE

¹ O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. ² For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of foreigners is a city no more; it will never be rebuilt. ³ Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. ⁴ For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, ⁵the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. ⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. ⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the covering that is spread over all nations; ⁸ he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹ It will be said on that day, “See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

Isaiah 25:1-9

¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. ² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion,^[a] help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life. ⁴ Rejoice^[b] in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.^[c] ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about^[d] these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:1-9

SERMON

Rev. Casey Carbone

***PURPLE HYMNAL #13**

“The Mighty God with Power Speaks”

THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY

“Blessed Assurance”
Gilead Singers

text: Fanny Crosby
music: Phoebe

Knapp

***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 AND THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Therefore with all creation we sing your praise: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and
might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

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 #804**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

POSTLUDE

“Psalm XVII”
Mary Temple, organ

by Benedetto Marcello
arr. by Denes Agay

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

Thank you to our Lay Reader today, Roxanne Roth, and our videographer, Paul Francis.

This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, October 15

- 8:40 a.m. Bell Chimes rehearse.
- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee and fellowship in the lounge.
- Deacons meeting following worship

Monday, October 16

- 11 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Wednesday, October 18

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

Thursday, October 19

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Friday, October 20

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry

Sunday, October 22

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. John F. Temple III, preaching.

Operation Christmas Child is coming! You are invited to join us in our annual collection of shoeboxes full of gifts for children across the world through Samaritan's Purse. Shoeboxes will be dedicated during worship and collected on **Sunday, November 12th**. For details on filling boxes, see the posters/flyers in the lounge or go to <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/>

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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