



**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN MORRISTOWN**

August 2, 2020

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration of Worship

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

HS Mission Trip Participants

One: All who hunger—gather gladly.

Many: We come to feast on the life-giving Word.

One: Here, love abounds and grace overflows.

Many: Here, blessings multiply as gifts are shared.

One: Come—let us pour ourselves out in prayer and praise,

Many: and open ourselves to renewal.

Hymn 463

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

Confession and Pardon

The Reverend Sarah Green

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of abundance, in your hands meager offerings become bread to feed a multitude. Your mercy overflows to fill deserted landscapes with hope and grace. In you there is always more than enough. But we see only scarcity: too few resources to share with our neighbors, too little energy to respond to those in need. We turn from those who suffer rather than offering compassion and care. Transform us, we pray. Open our hands to share freely and generously and stretch our hearts to new expressions of love. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*)

(Psalm 145:8-9)

One: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Many: **The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Now These Three Remain: Hope

Rev. Dr. Smazik

Anthem

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether
The Choral Scholars & Kevin Graf, organ

Harold Friedell

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of 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.

The leader continues...

...Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven,
we worship and adore your glorious name, praising you forevermore.

Sung Response (*Music for Response S4, Glory to God Hymnal, p. 9*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The leader continues...

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Sung Response (*Music for Response S5, Glory to God Hymnal, p. 10*)

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The leader continues...

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,
now and forever.

Sung Response (*Music for Response S6, Glory to God Hymnal, p. 11*)

Amen, amen, amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Communion Prayer and 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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn 498

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Beach Spring

Benediction

Today's service is led by the Reverend Dr. David Smazik, the Reverend Sarah Green, Dr. Matthew Webb, Alexandra Mead, Kevin Graf, the Choral Scholars, and the High School Mission Trip Participants. Thank you to Bruce Frazier, Richard Parke, Sheldon Rajkumar, and Jenny Tooley for their assistance.

Upcoming Meetings

Although our physical doors are closed, our spiritual and outreach doors continue to remain open. Please see below for our online programming; if you have any questions or concerns about accessing weekly programs, please contact the leader listed.

Today at 11 a.m. – Zoom Coffee Hour

Tuesday, August 4 at 7 p.m. – Young Professionals Small Group

Wednesday, August 5 at 4:30 p.m. – MS Youth Group Outdoors at the Parish House

Thursday, August 6 at 5 p.m. – MS Youth Group Virtual Meeting

Friday, August 7 at 1 p.m. – Caregiver Support Group led by Rev. Sarah Green

Sunday Morning Worship is available online.

The service will be posted on the website on Sundays at 8 a.m.

Session

Christy Allison
Ken Clark
David Darcy
Brian Delle Donne
Jose De Los Santos
Walt Fleischer
Lisa Fraebel
Dianne Grenz

Kevin Hubbard
Cheryl Maginley
Sheldon Rajkumar
Kevin Redgate
Wayne Rush
William SanFilippo
Lori Szoke
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