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September 8, 2024

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

* = Please stand in body or in spirit

WELCOME! We are glad you can join us for worship here and online.

Visitors, please sign the guest book located in the narthex. Prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please *remember to turn off all devices as we turn towards God.*

GREETINGS TO THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

PRELUDE

"Through It All"

John F. Wilson

- * CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively) the State College Presbyterian Church
- One: God sends light to us this day and invites us to meet one another in this light.
- All: Light breaks forth like the dawn, drawing us into relationship with one another.**
- One: We humble ourselves for the worship of God, so that we may be empowered to serve.
- All: God calls us to trust with steady hearts and to serve with righteous compassion.**
- One: Seek not for lofty words of wisdom, but for powerful demonstrations of God's way.
- All: God makes us to be the salt of the earth and a light on the hill to show God's works to the world. Come, let us love one another with the love of God. Let us join together in this time of worship.**

* HYMN # Blue 464

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Ludwig van Beethoven

INVITATION TO SEEK GOD'S GRACE

UNISON PRAYER

by Rev Liz Crumlish

Help us to bring light into all the darkness of life, spreading hope for a better world, a world where justice is made real by your children living together in harmony. Help us to bring salt into the blandness of life, encouraging vitality and joy in living in a world that dares to hope for the future that you promise where all your children will know themselves loved and valued and treasured, created in your image, bringing you glory forever. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)

the Caldwell United Methodist Church

God of mystery and of judgment, who has made us to be salt and light in a tasteless, shadowed world, guide us in this time of worship. Grant us understanding and spiritual discernment so that others may see your good works through us, give you the glory, and be moved to serve you. Amen.

GOD'S WORD TO US

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Micah 6:6-8

p. 866

One: This is the word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON

"A Light on the Hill"

Pastor Carie Morgan

A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

(A quiet time for contemplation on the preached scripture.)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN # Green 123

"Bring Forth the Kingdom"

Marty Haugen

(At this time, ushers will receive any written prayer requests. Blank prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please feel free to fill one out and give it to an usher or email office@fpcboonton.org)

TIME FOR MISSION

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (In unison) **"forgive us our sins, as...sin against us"**

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Jesus Love Me"

arr. Fred Bock

(Please remain silent during this time of worship, dedication and prayer)

* PRESENTATION / DOXOLOGY: (In unison)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN # Blue 332

"Live Into Hope"

Jane Parker Huber

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Doxology"

Marilyn Arinson

Pastor: The Rev. Carie Morgan

Organist/Choir Director: Sarah Jane Zollner

Lay Reader: Ken Nickel

Firemen's Home: Mike Stora and Natalie Pisarcik

Ministers: All the People of the Church

Announcements

We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

HEARING AIDS/RECEIVERS – We have hearing aid receivers available during the worship service. Please ask an usher if you would like to use one. **PEW PILLOWS** – are available during worship for those of you who would like additional back support. Feel free to pick one up or have an usher bring one to you!

LAY READER – **Ken Nickel** resides in Rockaway with his wife Denise and has been a member of our church since 1972. He has 3 grown children and 5 grandchildren. Ken serves our church as an ordained elder and church treasurer and shares his musical talents in the church choir and the bell choir. Ken also serves on the Property & Insurance Committee at the Presbytery of the Highlands of NJ. He is enjoying retirement from a lengthy career in commercial banking and is active in the Rotary Club and other non-profit organizations.

CHANCEL FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Charles and Pat Maraziti in celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP FLOWERS NEEDED You can sign up on the chart by the Sanctuary doors. One or both of these arrangements are delivered to the sick and homebound each week and bring connection and cheer. The office will contact you regarding the \$40 flower donation and bulletin dedication.

NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY – We will be at the Keoppel's Lake house today after worship – address: 10 Seymour Drive, West Milford.

*Please consider **sponsoring or hosting** coffee hour. You can sign up on the board next to the office (or consider donating to the jar in the library). Congregational Life will provide coffee.

MISSIONS - We are always accepting Mission Donations through Breeze or they can be mailed to or dropped off at the office.

MEAL TRAIN is an opportunity to provide a meal for a person or a family in their time of need. Please email Martel Roberts at martelroberts@gmail.com or call or text 973-216-0787 if you would like to volunteer to provide a meal or if you are in need of a meal.

SECOND THURSDAY adult group will meet on September 12, here in the Library at 1:15pm.

BOONTON DAY – Sunday, September 29th is Boonton Day. We are looking for volunteers to help man the church's booth, as well as help with set up and clean up. The event runs from 12:00-4:00, Please see Kim Robbins or Trish Herrera if you are able to volunteer. Boonton Day is always a lot of fun, hope to see you all there!

PEACEMAKING OFFERING: Between now and 10/6/23, the Deacons will be collecting monetary donations for the PCUSA Peace and Global Witness program. The Deacons will contribute 25% of the total funds collected to the **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)**. Please mail your donations to FPCB, 513 Birch Street, Boonton, NJ 07005 or donate through Breeze.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH - Sing Handel's Messiah with the Cathedral Choir & the American Chamber Orchestra December 7th at 7:00 PM, at Cedar Hill Christian Reformed Church in Wyckoff, NJ. Interested singers are invited to come 2:30 PM, to the first of 9 Sunday rehearsals beginning **October 6th** at Midland Park Christian Reformed Church 183 Godwin Avenue Midland Park, NJ. (See flyer on bulletin board)

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 8 – September 14 ~ Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am	Church Gathering at the Keoppel's Lake House
	7:00 pm	AA (Reighart Hall)
Monday	7:30 pm	NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
Tuesday	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
	6:00 pm	Scouts Wolf Den Meeting (Reighart Hall)
Wednesday	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
	3:00 pm	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	4:00 pm	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Cub Scouts (Reighart Hall)
	6:30 pm	OPS Meeting (Zoom)
	7:00 pm	Presbyaires (Choir Room)

Thursday 1:15 pm **Second Thursday Group** (Library)
 7:00 pm Girl Scouts (Reighart Hall)
 Saturday 8:00 am Coffee & Services (Gateway)
 9:00 am Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

September 15 – September 21 ~ *Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost*

Sunday 10:00 am **Worship** (Sanctuary and online)
 11:00 am **Coffee Hour** (Library)
 4:00 pm L&F Event at the ELKS
 7:00 pm AA (Reighart Hall)
 Monday 7:00 pm **Session** (Library)
 7:30 pm NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
 Tuesday 3:00 pm NJ Conservatory (Reighart Hall)
 Wednesday 3:00 pm NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
 3:00 pm Coffee & Services (Gateway)
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 7:00 pm Presbyaires (Choir Room)
 Thursday 7:00 pm Girl Scouts (Reighart Hall)
 Saturday 8:00 am Coffee & Services (Gateway)
 9:00 am Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
 12:00 pm Janet Eveleth's Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

*The calendar can also be found on our website under news and events: