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Online Worship Guide

Facebook Live Streaming Worship Service

March 22, 2020 • 10:30 AM

Fourth Sunday of Lent

(On demand at coldspringchurch.com.)

Hello. We're glad you've logged on!

Social
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Spiritual
Distancing
during pandemic

At Cold Spring Church Online, you have found a place to encounter God and people who care about you – just as you are, right where you are, anytime.

We believe that everyone deserves to experience God's love in relevant and authentic ways, while keeping themselves and the community safe. Our thriving faith community puts God's love into action to help make greater Cape May a better place. We joyfully love and serve God and our neighbors through the power of the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus Christ.

Cold Spring Church Online is a safe and welcoming community where you can connect with others. It is a live video broadcast or webinar from our Cold Spring campus, with real-time communication through online chat, which you can choose to join if you want to connect with others watching.

Our *Cold Spring Church Online* service schedule is available at coldspringchurch.com. Each service will have worship music to begin the service, a weekly message from our transformation pastor, and caring volunteers that will pray with you about things that matter in your life. It's just like attending worship at the Red Brick Church, except it's online! You may follow along during the worship experience starting on the next page!

We care about you! Thanks, again, for being with us! We hope your worship experience encourages you join again soon.



Let's Worship God!

Prelude

Jayne McDonough

God Welcomes All 399

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

This "short song," as the Iona Community calls it, can be especially effective as a means of setting a welcoming tone for a service (especially an ecumenical one). Like most such songs, it needs to be sung several times, adding and improvising harmony with each repetition.

Welcome
Music

Rev. Kevin Yoho
God Welcomes All

Opening Prayer

God of love and understanding, we gather here in this safe place to express our hope, but also any fears, sadness, or pain. We come as we are. Quench our spiritual thirst with Living Water and become transformed through the amazing gift of your son, Jesus. Amen.

Music:

God Whose Will is Health and Wholeness

Tune of "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

God whose will is health and wholeness, hear your people as we pray:
Many now are facing illness; more face sickness every day.
As we lift our song toward heaven, may we use the gifts you give —
Science, justice, and compassion — to help others safely live.

Jesus taught that your commandments call for us to use the mind.
May we use the gifts of science to seek health for humankind.
Bless the ones who work for healing; bless the ones who seek to be
Builders of a health care system that protects society.

Loving God, we ask your blessing on the sick and those they love,
And we pray for those now grieving as they lift their cries above.
There is trouble all around us; illness causes pain and fear.
Give compassion, love and kindness as we serve your people here.

Tune: Traditional Dutch melody ("There's a Wideness in God's Mercy") Text: Copyright © 2020 by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. All rights reserved.

Call to Reconciliation

God welcomes you. God sees you. Nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together, saying:

Prayer of Forgiveness (unison)

O God, we have heard Jesus' teachings many times, but we confess that sometimes we think they are impractical. We let anger take hold of us. We fail to keep our commitments to you and to others. We lack courage to follow Jesus' way of love. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to embrace peace, love, and joy, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Words of Assurance (responsively)

One: God loves and forgives us to live a life of faith and justice.

Many: Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

Prayer for Illumination: (unison)

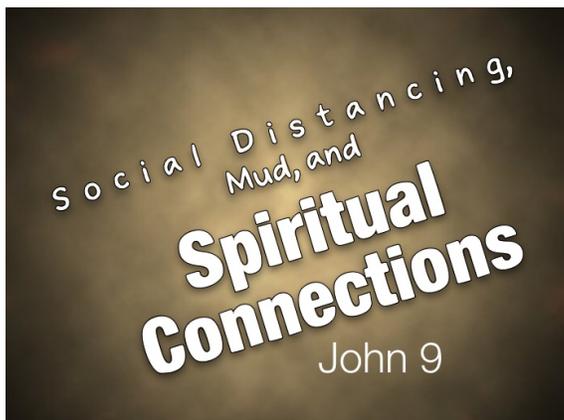
God, as we listen to your Word, open our hearts and minds to consider new opportunities to learn, grow, and serve. AMEN.

Read Along!

The readings can be found in the PDF where this Digital Worship Guide was located.

Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14



Message: Social Distancing, Mud, and Spiritual Connections
John 9:1-13, 18-27, 33-37

Rev. Kevin Yoho

Silent Reflection

Offering for Local Missions (received for our community ministry)
Offering of Our Gifts (received for our overall ministry)



A note about giving during the pandemic:

The pandemic affects all of us, and while we are not worshipping in-person, please continue to contribute financially as you regularly do. Remember, during the pandemic our ministry continues and so do our expenses. Thank you for giving of your time, energy, and attention as you join with us in mission! Its as easy as 1, 2, 3! Thank you!

1. Giving envelopes: If you use weekly giving envelopes, keep using them. Just mail your envelopes to the church: 780 Seashore Road, Cold Spring, NJ 08204.
2. Giving online: It's easy and secure to financially support our mission online. Visit www.coldspringchurch.com/giving and complete the simple form. You can pay with your credit card, or directly from your bank account.
3. Giving thanks: Praise God from whom all blessing flow. God continues to bless and gather us in new ways!

Prayers of the People: Guided Pastoral Prayer,

Let Us Pray...

Our prayers are with you, wherever you are. We also lift to God all nations and communities, families and individuals most affected. God grant you peace and calm amid the changes and challenges we face in preserving lives and health.

(Names below have been shortened for online privacy concerns)

Pray for: George S, Marge M, Lee O, Bob L, Myrna D, Leslie D, Leonard H, Herb W, Michael B, Anne F, The D Family, Paula K, Jade's Pop.

Please pray for those who serve in the military: Cpt. Laura C, Cpt. Sean C, Pvt. William C, US Army, 2nd Lt Michael C, USAF, S. Sgt. Richard E, and those suffering from severe head injuries.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings to:

March 22 Ted & Janice L

March 26 Norma L

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

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.

Lenten Doxology

Praise God throughout these forty days.

Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.

And praise the Spirit who imparts

God's love in Christ into our hearts.

Prayer of Response-

Putting God's Love and our Time, Energy, Attention, and Giving in Action

Fresh Expression of Community

One: Once we were strangers,
Many: now we are neighbors.
One: Once we were strangers,
Many: now we are friends.

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The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a whole note chord (F#4, A4, C5) and continues with a series of chords and notes. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment, ending with a final chord and a double bar line.

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Benediction
Postlude

You can become a part of our mission!

Cold Spring Presbyterian Church energizes spirits and transforms lives. We deliver resources and experiences rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ through inspiring worship, practical teaching from God's word, innovative programs, and community-focused events and ministry. Just ask the pastor or any member today how to get more connected. Start 2020 with energizing possibilities and hope at Cold Spring Church!