



Let Us Worship God!



October 16, 2022—10:30 AM

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Barbara Cain

Message: Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production: Norris Clark.

WELCOME! WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today! Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Mask wearing is optional. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: www.coldspringworship.com.

MESSAGE PREVIEW

There are thousands of intersections in Cape May. Think about intersections near you: What intersection is the most remarkable to you? When is the intersection the busiest with traffic or pedestrians? Why not take a photo of your intersection to share with us on Sunday?

Consider our corner at Seashore and Academy Roads. For hundreds of years, our intersection has been a gathering place, a sending place, and a safe place for neighbors to enjoy at the Red Brick Church and the beautiful cemetery campus. Cold Spring Church is at the crossroads of community activity.

This week we will hear Jesus' story about a widow and a judge from Luke 18 who find themselves at a crossroads. Why did she go to the judge at night? What does Jesus want us to learn from the judge's decision even though he hated God and people? Join us at the corner of Faith Avenue and Justice Street this Sunday, where we find Jesus looking for an intersection of faith and justice in our lives, too. What will you find there?

MUSIC PREVIEW

Worship begins with singing *God Welcomes All*. Barbara Cain will sing *There is a Longing in Our Hearts*. The refrain of this sung prayer describes why we pray, and the stanzas indicate what we pray for. These requests are not for possessions but for qualities and conditions we hope for in the world around us, and they emerge from the changing circumstances of our lives.

After the message we will enjoy the music lyric video by 7eventh Time Down, *I Have Decided*.

Our sending music is David Haas' *Come! Live In the Light (We Are Called)*, based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" Our theme of faith and justice is the musical center about our vocation as follows of Jesus.

COUNTDOWN TO FALL WORSHIP

GREETING: PASTOR KEVIN (10:24)

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH (10:27)

WELCOME: PASTOR KEVIN (10:30)

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY) BARBARA CAIN (10:32)

Today, we celebrate our intersecting experiences that have brought us to this place in our community.

Thank you, God, for this most amazing day!

Jesus said, even a mustard seed-sized faith can do great things.

We gather to affirm our faith and cultivate our practice of justice.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

We come to worship Jesus who is in our world, in this place, in our lives.

Let us worship God together.

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON) (1-10:33)

**God welcomes all,
strangers and friends;
God's love is strong
and it never ends.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON)

Loving God, open our hearts and minds to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: JEREMIAH 31:31-34 (NIV)

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord.

“I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord.

“For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

MESSAGE FOR KIDS- *WHY PRACTICE MATTERS*

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

(10:38)

MUSIC - *THERE IS A LONGING IN OUR HEARTS* - BARBARA CAIN

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 18:1-8 (MSG)

Jesus told them a story showing that it was necessary for them to pray consistently and never quit. He said, “There was once a judge in some city who never gave God a thought and cared nothing for people. A widow in that city kept after him: ‘My rights are being violated. Protect me!’

“He never gave her the time of day. But after this went on and on he said to himself, ‘I care nothing what God thinks, even less what people think. But because this widow won’t quit badgering me, I’d better do something and see that she gets justice—otherwise I’m going to end up beaten black-and-blue by her pounding.’”

Then the Master said, “Do you hear what that judge, corrupt as he is, is saying? So what makes you think God won’t step in and work justice for his chosen people, who continue to cry out for help? Won’t he stick up for them? I assure you, he will. He

will not drag his feet. But how much of that kind of persistent faith will the Son of Man find on the earth when he returns?”



MESSAGE: *ON THE CORNER WITH JESUS AT FAITH AVE. AND JUSTICE ST.*

LUKE 18:1-8 —REV. KEVIN YOHO

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

MUSIC VIDEO LYRICS: *I HAVE DECIDED*

In a world that stands divided
I have decided
In a world that stands divided
I have decided

With my hands and my feet
With my heart and my voice
I will follow Jesus
With my life and my song
I have made this choice

I will follow Jesus

In a world that stands divided
I have decided, yeah
In a world that stands divided
I have decided

With my hands and my feet
With my heart and my voice
I will follow Jesus

With my life and my song
I have made this choice
I will follow Jesus
No, no turning back
No turning back (repeats 4X)

In a world that stands divided
Let the church stand united
If you're with me, let me here you say
I have decided

With my hands and my feet
With my heart and my voice
I will follow Jesus
With my life and my song
I have made this my choice
I will follow Jesus
No, no turning back
No turning back (repeats 8X)

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Which of us has not hurt someone this week? Which of us has not spoken (or thought) poorly of another person? Which of us has failed to do good when given the chance? Which of us? All of us and each of us! But Christ came to save and deliver people just like us, so I invite you to join me as we offer our prayers to God, saying...

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS (UNISON)

We have missed the mark set for us. Fill us with your grace and wisdom.

Strengthen us so that our life is more like Jesus's life as we put our faith into practice. Through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE (RESPONSIVE)

In the name of Jesus Christ, God loves and forgives us to live a life of faith, justice, hope, and love.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven.

Amen.

THE GLORIA

(3) (1\0:56)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

MOMENT FOR GIVING

God calls us to lives of grateful generosity. Let's put our faith in motion locally and worldwide by supporting the Global Peace and Witness and the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance offering this month.

If you believe in our mission, thank you for supporting our mission. To give during worship, you may use the Giving Box as an usher passes. You may also give as you leave today, or give online anytime.

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

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Luther “Bud” Moyer, (surgery Monday). Isabel Jayne’s Steve Johnson cancer, Rickey delicious cancer. We open our hearts in sorrow, gratitude, and hope: that those who have been spared nature's fury as well as those whose lives are changed by Hurricane Ian. Keep the Fickert family in your prayers for God’s comfort and peace. Bob Fite recovering from a hip replacement. Dr. Regina Olatin (multiple myeloma). Dolce Alvarez (missing). Eileen and David Word. Lorraine, cancer. Kim recovering from a fall. Ronald Walker, illness. Glenn & Marie with heart issues. Denise’s mom who’s health is declining. Kristen, recovering from a fall. George, relief from stress. Carl, Kate, Candy

(cancer). Paul Haggy. Janice Olszewski.

We mourn gun violence in schools, stores, and public places across our country. We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray for those suffering from Covid-19 and for God to bless those who serve in healthcare, law enforcement, fire, government, the armed forces, education, and business.

LORD'S PRAYER

(11:03)

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.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

(11:24)

Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.
Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.

MUSIC: COME! LIVE IN THE LIGHT! (WE ARE CALLED)

1

**Come, live in the light
Shine with the joy
and the love of the Lord
We are called to be light for the kingdom
To live in the freedom of the city of God**

**We are called to act with justice
We are called to love tenderly
We are called to serve one another
To walk humbly with God**

2

**Come, open your heart
Show your mercy to all those in fear
We are called to be
hope for the hopeless
So all hatred and blindness
will be no more**

**We are called to act with justice
We are called to love tenderly
We are called to serve one another
To walk humbly with God**

**Sing, sing a new song
Sing of that great day
when all will be one
God will reign and we'll
walk with each other
As sisters and brothers united in love**

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BENEDICTION: PASTOR KEVIN

POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

(11:27)

Go in peace. See you next week!

So glad you've joined us. Please share your worship experience with others on our YouTube channel, Facebook, and Instagram. View worship at any time on our YouTube page. Invite others to join you next week.

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| 1. <i>God Welcomes All</i> - CCLI Song #5495557 | 4. <i>Doxology</i> - CCLI Song #4255578 |
| 2. <i>There is a Longing in Our Hearts</i> - Anne Quigley; Publ. By OCP. | 5. <i>I Have Decided: 7eventh Time Down:</i> CCLI#7000701 |
| 3. <i>Gloria</i> Public Domain | 6. <i>Come! Live In the Light. Into Hope.</i> CCLI Song # 761403 |