



# Let Us Worship God!



November 5, 2023—10:30 AM  
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost  
All Saints Sunday

A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Barbara Cain;  
Message: Pastor David Wenker; Production: Norris Clark

*Be Involved*

Be involved in doing good, for at the proper  
time good things will result if we do not give up.  
Galatians 6:9



**WELCOME!**

**WORSHIP YOUR WAY!**

So glad you're here today. Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: [www.coldspringworship.com](http://www.coldspringworship.com).

**WORSHIP PREVIEW**

Pastor David Wenker's message is "Who Is My Neighbor".

**MUSIC PREVIEW**

We will sing 3 hymns today, from the Blue hymnal, #464, #92 & #526. The opening hymn is Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee. While Henry Van Dyke was serving as a guest preacher at Williams College in Massachusetts in 1907, he was inspired to write a poem after seeing the Berkshire Mountains. He gave the completed writing to the college president and told him to sing it to the tune of "Ode to Joy." The poem highlights the connection between the creator God and His creation and notes how that connection brings us joy. The second verse of the song reminds people that "Heaven and earth reflect thy rays" and tells us of God's glory. The song ends by urging listeners to join in as the "Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life."

We will sing Communion Hymn Beneath the Cross of Jesus. The hymn was written as a poem and published with others by Clephane in a Scottish magazine. Ira Sankey, the evangelist, discovered it there and wrote the original tune, which is now usually replaced by the more familiar one by Frederick Maker.

The closing hymn, For All the Saints written by Bishop William How in 1864 for All Saints Day, a day meant to honor departed saints, whether known or unknown. This hymn, then, celebrates the saints who went before us—"who from their labors rest." It tells how God sustained them through difficult times—strengthened them to battle evil—brought them light in their darkest days. And it offers a prayer for the saints of today and paints a picture of the saints of all times streaming through the Pearly Gates in countless numbers, "Singing to the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!"

**PRELUDE:** JAYNE McDONOUGH

(10:27)

**WELCOME:** PASTOR DAVID WENKER

(10:30)

**CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSIVE-** BARBARA CAIN

Come, all who are weary from the past week.

**We come seeking rest; We come seeking comfort.**

Come, all who are in need of inspiration for the week ahead.

**We come seeking God's truth, word and worship that will set us on the faithful path.**

Come, all who are humble, open, and ready to learn.

**We come as God's students, ready to listen and learn.**

**God Welcomes All (sing in unison):**

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;**

**God's love is strong and it never ends.**

**OPENING HYMN - JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE**

**THEE, BLUE HYMNAL #464, PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

3. Mortals, join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us,  
Joining all in heaven's plan.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music lifts us sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Confession requires a humble heart. Let us bow before our God to honestly confess our sins.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**We admit we are not very good at identifying our God hunger. Even when we do, we try to satisfy it with all sorts of things that do not satisfy. Forgive us for all the spiritually unhealthy substitutes we give our hearts. Teach us where the spiritual food comes**

**from that satisfies our souls. We pray in  
Jesus name. AMEN**

## **SILENT REFLECTION**

### **HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

“Your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.”  
Isaiah 6:7 Know that you are forgiven and be at  
peace. Amen.

### **THE GLORIA, PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE**

**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.**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

You call us through your Word read and proclaimed,  
Holy God. May our eyes be opened and our hearts  
willing to follow wherever your Spirit leads. Amen.

### **FIRST READING: MATTHEW 25:37-40**

“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when  
did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and  
give you something to drink? When did we see  
you a stranger and invite you in, or needing  
clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick  
or in prison and go to visit you?’

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

## **GOSPEL READING: LUKE 10:25-37**

### **The Parable of the Good Samaritan**

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

“What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’[a]; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’[b]”

“You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.

He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii[c] and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

## **Message: “Who Is My Neighbor?” -**

**Pastor David Wenker**

### **PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION**

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- APOSTLES CREED (UNISON)**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

## GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

Friends, out of the abundance we have been given, let us humbly present our tithes and offerings to our God.

**The Doxology** please stand if you are able

**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

**Happy birthday to: Roger Hanson, Jr. (11/6)**



**- National Wreaths Across America Day** is Saturday, December 16, 2023, forms are in the vestibule to donate a wreath for a veteran's grave site.

**Save the date!** - We will have a "Christmas at Cold Spring Church" concert by The Cape Shore Chorus, SAI here in the church on Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

## SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS -

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

**Prayers for:** Paul Hagy with CoPD and chronic infections; Jim Paulits in the hospital (Brother of Joe Paulits); Beverly's Brother, Bob Page; Elaine's cousin Jimmy with leukemia; Dee Snyder for relief from cancer pain, Celeste Bashaw, now on palliative care, Curtis's Mother. Freddie, Jr. With prostate cancer; Dale's cousin Joan; Bob Larissa in the hospital, Bill Keene; Lenore.

Those on hospice care: John Stalford, Bob Fite, Gertrude Hess, Celeste Bashaw.

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Freddie, Jr, Denise, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Kate, Candy, Donna.

**In the Community -**

## COMMUNION HYMN - BENEATH THE CROSS OF

**JESUS, BLUE HYMNAL #92** PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

1. Beneath the cross of Jesus

I fain would take my stand,

The shadow of a mighty rock

Within a weary land;

A home within the wilderness,

A rest upon upon the way,

From the burning of the noontide heat,

And the burden of the day.

2. Upon the cross of Jesus

Mine eye at times can see

The very dying form of One

Who suffered there for me:

And from my stricken heart with tears

Two wonders I confess:  
The wonders of redeeming love  
And my unworthiness.

**INVITATION TO ALL: COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE!**  
**THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**  
**(RESPONSIVE)**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, God of Hope, Breath of  
peace, Giver of all life.....

as Jesus taught us to pray, saying,

**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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION - REV. WENKER

### PRAYER OF THANKS (UNISON)

**Ground us in your good news, O God, and hearten us with your hope filled promise of redemption through Jesus Christ. We are grateful for the ways you are active and at work in our world and we revel in your presence. Keep us steady on Christ's path, following his teachings, loving as he loved.**

### **Fresh Expression of Community-** Barbara Cain

Once we were strangers,

**Now we are neighbors.**

Once we were strangers,

**Now we are friends.**

### **MUSIC: FOR ALL THE SAINTS, BLUE HYMNAL #526**

PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

1. For all the saints  
Who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith  
Before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus,  
Be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. Thou wast their rock,  
Their fortress and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain  
In the well fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear,  
Their one true Light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. O blest communion,  
Fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle,  
They in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee,  
For all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. From earth's wide bounds,  
From ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl  
Streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father,  
Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**BENEDICTION - PASTOR DAVID WENKER**

**POSTLUDE - JAYNE McDONOUGH**

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1. *God Welcomes All*: CCLI Song #549555
2. *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*: Henry van Dyke/Edward Hodges-adapt.- Ludwig van Beethoven; CCLI Song #25321
3. *Gloria*: Public Domain
4. *Doxology*: CCLI #425557
5. *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*: Cecilia Douglas Clephane/Frederick Charles Maker; CCLI Song #1885876
6. *For All the Saints*: William Walsham How/Ralph Vaughan Williams; CCLI Song #2645678