

LET US WORSHIP GOD!

October 19, 2025—10:30 AM

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER

PENTECOST

A HYBRID WORSHIP EXPERIENCE IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Beverly Mate; Message: Rev. David Wenker, Pulpit Supply; Worship Production: Norris Clark



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

MESSAGE PREVIEW:

Rev. David Wenker's message is titled "**Self-Control: The Most Difficult Fruit of the Spirit**"

The Bible says that controlling our tongues is the hardest thing we can do. Controlling our tongues (or speech) is only one of many areas we can struggle with self-control. We'll look together at where our lack of self control comes from and what patterns we can build into our lives to develop better self control.

MUSIC PREVIEW:

The Gathering hymn "*Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*" was written by Brian Dill, a Presbyterian pastor who served in Florida, for a competition held by the Presbyterian Church

(U.S.A.) to celebrate its bicentennial in 1989. The theme of the competition was "Celebrate the Journey".

The hymn of Meditation, "*Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*" was written by George Croly, an Anglican minister from Dublin who served in London's slums. He wrote the hymn while ministering in the deprived area of St. Stephen's parish, where he witnessed many lives being changed through God's work. The lyrics are a prayer for the Holy Spirit's presence to change and guide the individual's heart.

The Sending hymn, "*So Send I You*" was written by Canadian hymn writer Margaret Clarkson after she was inspired by John 20:21, which says, "As the Father has sent me, even so send I you". The original version, written around 1938 while she was a lonely teacher in a remote mining camp, focuses solely on the sorrows and struggles of missionary work. In 1963, realizing this was one-sided, Clarkson wrote a second set of lyrics to be used interchangeably, which emphasizes the joys and triumphs of service, such as "So send I you, My victory to win".

Prelude

Jayne McDonough

WELCOME:

REV. DAVID WENKER

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON)

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

THE CALL TO WORSHIP: (RESPONSIVE)

**All: I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go unto the house of the Lord.**

OPENING PRAYER: (UNISON)

We are glad to be here with your people today. Thank you for bringing us to the place in our spiritual lives where we desire to be in worship with your congregation. Draw from us the response of love and adoration you deserve. Sensitize us today to the gentle voice of our Spirit, that we might follow you no matter what. We pray in Jesus Name, AMEN

GATHERING HYMN - #430 (BLUE) "COME SING, O CHURCH, IN JOY!"

**1. Come sing, O church, in joy!
join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us
Through the ages long!
In bold accord,
Come celebrate the journey now
And praise the Lord!**

**2. Long years have come and gone,
And still God reigns supreme,
Empowering us to catch the vision,
Dream the dream!
In bold accord, Come celebrate the journey
now And praise the Lord!**

**3. Let courage be our friend,
Let wisdom be our guide,
As we in mission
Magnify the Crucified!
In bold accord, Come celebrate the journey
now And praise the Lord!**

**4. Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed
O'er the ages long!
In bold accord, Come celebrate the journey
now And praise the Lord!**

CALL TO CONFESSION:

If we say we have no sin, the truth is not in us.
And yet, we want to be people of truth and love.
So we come to the baptismal font seeking
a new start; a new day; an opportunity to join
God's work of building and planting. With
confidence that God hears our prayers and
loves us unconditionally, let us confess our sins:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON)

**We confess we are often afraid of where
Jesus leads us. We are afraid of what others
might think or say. We are afraid we will look**

foolish. We are afraid we will not be enough or have enough. We are afraid we are unworthy to serve. And so we don't follow Jesus. May your love and forgiveness set us free to serve with joy and compassion. We pray in Jesus name. AMEN

Silent Reflection

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE: (RESPONSIVE)

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*** The Gloria**

**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, was Amen, Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (2 TIMOTHY 4:3)

Amid a world where sound teaching is hard to find, our ears are easily tickled by words that suit our own desires. Open us to hear your word, O Lord, that we might know you and your will for us today.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 10: 11-13

These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: PROVERBS 4: 20-27

My son, pay attention to what I say;
 turn your ear to my words.
Do not let them out of your sight,
 keep them within your heart;
for they are life to those who find them
 and health to one's whole body.
Above all else, guard your heart,
 for everything you do flows from it.
Keep your mouth free of perversity;
 keep corrupt talk far from your lips.
Let your eyes look straight ahead;
 fix your gaze directly before you.
Give careful thought to the[a] paths for your feet
 and be steadfast in all your ways.

Do not turn to the right or the left;
keep your foot from evil.

**MESSAGE: "SELF-CONTROL: THE MOST DIFFICULT
FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT" REV. DAVID WENKER**
PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

**HYMN OF MEDITATION - #326 (BLUE) HYMNAL,
"SPIRIT OF GOD, DESCEND UPON MY HEART"**

**1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth,
through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.**

**2. Hast Thou not bid
us love Thee, God and King;
All Thine own: soul, heart, and strength, and
mind?
I see Thy cross,
there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!**

**3. Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh;
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
Teach me the patience of unanswered
prayer.**

**4. Teach me to love Thee
as Thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame;
The baptism of the heav'n descended dove.
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.**

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS:

Out of gratitude for all that God has provided for us and with hope for a future that continues to unfold toward God's promised end, we bring our tithes and offerings for God's work among us in this time and place.

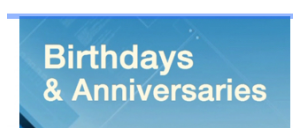
Offertory

THE DOXOLOGY

**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 Dedication

COMMUNITY NEWS



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

Birthday Blessings to:

Pat Heller ~ Oct. 12

Jonna Myers ~ Oct. 24

**Happy Anniversary to: John & Melba
Saalman**

Flowers: To donate flowers in memory, or in honor, of a loved one, sign up in the narthex and/or contact Beverly Mate, 609-847-1530. (\$20/vase).

Cold Spring Suppers - Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 6:30 pm. for free pizza, salad and drink, a short presentation and thoughtful discussion on spirituality from a Christian perspective. Oct. discussion topic: "Happiness: What does God have to do with That?" Beverly Mate will lead the discussion.



Held in Price Hall. *Please RSVP at:*
ColdSpringSuppers.com

RECEIVING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: **John and Melba Saalman** for a safe docking and trip home from their cruise; Blessings for **Jonna & Dale Myers** as they move away to Moorestown, NJ; Safe travels for **Eileen Kirk** leaving for her snowbirds trip to Florida; **Ariana Palmer**, 23 year old awaiting heart transplant; **Fred**, Marge W.'s Brother, struggling with an infection; **Robert**, a friend of Chuck's treating for cancer; Sue's husband, **Roy** having surgery on Tuesday; A joy for **Max & Anna Moran** on the birth of their baby girl, Brianna; **Rev. Jim Shanley** is doing better and got a "green light" for his daughter's wedding next week! ; Bob Stiles 95 yr old Uncle, **Bill**

Lessing and his wife **Linda** fighting serious health issues in the hospital; Ferrari's Granddaughter **Jaime** having brain surgery;

Continual prayer requested for: **Eileen Stalford** in nursing care; **Pastor Bob & Anna Sheidly** friends of Bob Heinly, as they battle multiple maladies of aging; Bob Sheidly is now the caretaker for Anna, who is having more health difficulties. **Betty**, Beverly's mother in law suffering with dementia; Elaine's friend, **Doug** with a heart condition.

Those on hospice care: **Marty, John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Ted Lewis,**

Those undergoing cancer treatment: **Kiley Fulford; Bob Maher, Karen R., Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Donna, Liz, Joe, Jennifer, Lori, Ruth, Debbie, Mike Grecco Norma, Roseann Crook, Christa, Jackie, Diane, Charlotte Holman, Joe Paulits, Julie, Gretchen, Ray, Carl & Ann Ferrari.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.

SENDING HYMN - # 497 (RED) "SO SEND I YOU"

VERSES 1,2,5

**1. So send I you
to labour unrewarded,
To serve unpaid,
unloved, unsought, unknown,
To bear rebuke,
to suffer scorn and scoffing--
So send I you to toil for Me alone.**

**2. So send I you
to bind the bruised and broken,
O'er wandering souls
to work, to weep, to wake,
To bear the burdens of a world a weary--
So send I you to suffer for My Sake.**

**5. So send I you
to hearts made hard by hatred,
To eyes made blind
because they will not see,**

**To spend, though it
be blood, to spend and spare not--
So send I you to taste of Calvary.
"As the Father hath sent Me, so send I you."**

BENEDICTION:

REV. DAVID WENKER

POSTLUDE:

JAYNE McDONOUGH

Go in peace. See you next week!

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on YouTube. Invite others to join you next week.**

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3. *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy: Brian Dill, John Darwell*; CCLI Song #145366
4. *Gloria* Public Domain
5. *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart: Frederick Cook Atkinson, George Croly*
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6. *Doxology* - CCLI Song #425557
7. *So Send I You: John Peterson, Margaret Clarkson*; CCLI Song #13962