YWUTH SUNDAY



"Rise and Shine ...

... and give God glory"

United Presbyterian Church of Plainfield, New Jersey



August 11, 2019

11:00 AM

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

TO ALL THOSE WHO ENTER HERE, be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent. Before the Service speak to God, during the Service let God speak to you, after the Service speak to others.

THE GATHERING

OPENING HYMN GTG 463

How Firm a Foundation

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, O people! Listen for the voice of God.

We have heard God's voice in mighty thunder, in joyful laughter, in faithful questions.

Come, O people! Watch for the presence of God.

We have seen God's presence in rolling hillsides, in busy streets, in one another.

Come, O people! Taste the goodness of God.

We have tasted God's love in broken bread, in shared wine, in living water.

Rejoice, O people! God is here.

Let us rejoice and worship God together!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You tell us that where our treasures are,
our hearts are sure to be.

the shallow things of this world
more than we cherish the depth of your grace;
when we choose comfort over faithfulness,
power over love,
wealth over discipleship,
selfishness over service.
Forgive us, Holy God, and move us,
that through the act of confessing
we may recognize our failings
and be freed by your grace to try again. Amen.

PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20 Pages 771-772 **SECOND READING** Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Pages 273-274

*GLORIA PATRIA

SERMON Elder Allegra Hoots

THE RESPONSE

PRAYER REQUESTS
PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Hymn 708)

We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord from Thee.

THE SENDING

*PARTING HYMN 699 Fill My Cup

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION *CHORAL RSPONSE

Assisting in today's Worship:

Liturgist: Pat Dawson

Greeters/Ushers: Neekah Hinds and Mobolaji Falowo

WE WELCOME YOU IN JESUS' NAME! Let us come before the Lord our maker. And may God grant us the humility to be receptive to God's life changing grace.

Nursery Care is provided for infants and toddlers.

Again, thanks for coming out today!!! Large Print Bulletins are available from an usher.

If you are interested in becoming a member of United Church, please see the pastor or an usher. You are invited to the Fellowship Room after worship for refreshments and conversation.

At Home: Ronn Daniels, Carl & Helen Foerster, Barbara Hyney,

Thelma Barnes, Fred Robinson.

Frank Klikus: BJ Klikus husband

Jamie Sweeney: Helen Foerster's cousin

Jean Neumann: Helen Forester's niece

John and Marianna Perry: Helen Foerster's brother and wife

John Perry, Jr.: Marianna & John Perry's son

Annette O'Connor: Jean Scott's sister

Phyllis Sennyuen: Jean Scott's sister

Brandon Williams: friend to George & Ginni Hansen

Nabielah Scott: Kevin Scott's wife

Lillian Willing: Michelle Wildridge's mother

Wendy Oldham: Pat Dawson's friend

Gail Stokes, and Izaiyh Stokes: Gail Stokes grandson

Truth Sutton: Gail Stokes grandson

Cecilie Martinez-Brown: Gail Stokes sister

Sylvia Denson: Gail Stokes friend

John Zayatz, Gail Stokes friend

Larry Brown: Gail Stokes brother-in-law

Kevin Brown: Yolanda Braswell's friend

Freda Lenzo: friend of Jeanne Ashanky

Charisse Payne & Family: Elder & Mrs. Davis, daughter: Cathedral

Prayers for our students: Joy Awobue, Kay Falowo, Crystal Awobue, Izaiyah Stokes and Gean Bernard.

Prayers for peace and end to gun violence throughout our country.

U.S. Armed Forces in Afghanistan and citizens of these places.

People of Syria.

FROM OUR PRESBYTERY'S CALENDAR OF PRAYER: Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, Scotch Plains

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

8/15 Marcia Marsh-Hinds

THE UPPER ROOM booklets for July/August/September/October 2019 are available on the literature rack in the Narthex. If you wish to make a donation, please place \$1.00 in a pew envelope mark "literature" and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

UPCOMING COTTAGE MEETINGS DATES:

Chapel Lounge 7:00-8:30pm Light refreshments are served

Tues- August 13 - Self Defense/Exercise

Wed - August 21 - Parables (Continuation of VBS Studies)

Tues - August 27 - Pastor Search Update - Session

Service

I look for opportunities to serve.

I make a point of developing my spiritual life—I read and study. I pray and meditate, I am part of a spiritual community. But spiritual understanding doesn't count for much unless I put it into action. So I look for ways to serve.

Any act of kindness is a form of service. It might be volunteering to help the poor, but it also could be mowing a neighbor's lawn, letting someone ahead in the grocery line, or carpooling with children. Service ranges from full-time caregiving to something as simple as listening. Anything I do to make life a little easier for another is service, and I see opportunities to serve as soon as I look for them. Service is a spiritual practice.

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

Strength

I am strong, wise, and loving.

God, give me strength! How many times have I prayed this prayer, often in desperation? Today as I seek strength to do all I have to do, I turn within. I align myself with the strength and power of God that is always within me. In this quiet time, I remember the truth: Strength is part of my divine makeup. I am innately strong, and I can do all things!

If I should momentarily forget this truth, I step back and take a breath. Taking one brief moment to align myself with my divine nature, the God within, allows me to return to the situation with full awareness of my strength to manage anything. I bring peace and understanding to every situation.

I pray that...he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit. – Ephesians 3:16-17
-Daily Word

The Meaning of Faith

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen
-Hebrews 11:1

And without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach him must believe that he exists and that he

rewards those who seek him.

-Hebrews 11:6

SCHEDULE: August 11 -18, 2019

Sunday 11:00am Worship Service

12:15pm Refreshments, Lind Room

7:30pm A/A Meeting, Friendship Hall

Monday

Tuesday 7:00-8:30pm Cottage Meeting, Lounge

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday 7:30pm A/A Hansen Room

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