United Presbyterian Church of Plainfield

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PRELUDE

The powerful sound of the shofar!





Welcome to the United Presbyterian Church Plainfield, New Jersey's Sunday service. Please join me in the opening prayer.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open and from whom nothing is hidden, have your way in this service and our lives. Help us filter out the distractions that interfere with our devotion to worshiping you and learning how to apply your precious word to our lives more aptly. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray. Amen.
—UNISON OPENING PRAYER





Agape Meal

Join us today immediately following service in the Lind Room.



East Front Street Ministers Alliance Tomorrow, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Covenant United Methodist church/631 East Front Street

Tomorrow's Lenten



Daily Devotional



UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship the King all-glorious above. O gratefully sing his power and love: our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise. To God be all glory. Great things God has done. God so loved the world that God gave us His Son.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 100

Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heaven!

Praise him for his mighty works; praise his unequaled greatness!

Praise him with a blast of the ram's horn; praise him with the lyre and harp!

Praise him with the tambourine and dancing; praise him with strings and flutes!

Praise him with a clash of cymbals and loud clanging cymbals.

Let everything that breathes sing praises to the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING

Genesis 2: 15-17; 3:1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was craftier than any other wild animal the LORD God had made. He asked the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."

But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it, your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.

Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew they were naked, so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.



Let us pray for God's help.

CALL TO PRAYER



A PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE

Almighty, please do not remember our trespasses nor the trespasses of our ancestors.

Have mercy, God. Spare your people whom you have redeemed with the precious blood of Jesus Christ.

gracious God, in your mercy, hear our prayer and spare us.

From all spiritual blindness - pride, vainglory, hypocrisy; envy, hatred, malice; and our lack of love for you and each other,

gracious God, deliver us and help us do better.

From all deadly sin - the deceits of the flesh, the world, and the devil,

gracious God, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schisms, from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and commandments,

gracious God, deliver us.

From natural disasters, political and geopolitical wars, personal attacks, and from dying unprepared to meet you,

gracious God, in your mercy, hear our prayer and deliver us. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. God is not willing that any should perish, but all should come to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. I declare that if we have confessed ours and repented, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.



The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

PASSING THE PEACE



THE SERMON TEXT Matthew 4: 10

Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."



THE MORNING MEDITATION

SILENT MEDITATION



CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Mighty sound of the Shofar Horn