



Grace
to you and
peace from
God our
and the Lord
Jesus
Christ.
1 Corinthians 1.3

*United Presbyterian Church
of
Plainfield, New Jersey*



February 16, 2020

11:00 AM

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

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

PRELUDE Vision

Steven Scott

OPENING HYMN GTG 741 Guide My Feet

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*L: Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law
of the LORD.*

C: Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart,

L: who also do no wrong but walk in his ways.

C: You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

L: O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

C: Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

L: I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.

ALL: I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN / YOUTH MESSAGE

Susan Terry

HYMN Deep River

arr. R. Daniels

(Black History Month)

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Page 233

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5: 21-37 Page 6

***GLORIA PATRIA**

SERMON

Pastor Allegra Hoots

THE RESPONSE

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *His Name So Sweet*

Hall Johnson

***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 GTG 738* O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION*

**CHORAL RESPONSE 601*

POSTLUDE Take the Name of Jesus With You W.W. Doane

Assisting in today's Worship:

Liturgist: JoAnn Edwards

Ushers: Maggie Anglin and Neekah Hinds

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 Lind Room after worship for refreshments and conversation.

REMEMBER WITH YOUR PRAYERS, CARDS, AND CALLS

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

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

Zachary Robinson: Jean Scott's nephew

Lillian Willing: Michelle Wildridge's mother

Wendy Oldham: Pat Dawson's friend

Osquit Vanderstoop

Gail Stokes, and Izaiyh Stokes: Gail Stokes grandson

Ceceile Brown: Gail Stokes sister

Sylvia Denson: Gail Stokes friend

John Zayatz, Gail Stokes friend

Larry Brown: Gail Stokes brother-in-law

John & Carol Guerriero: Ginnie Hansen's brother and sister-in law

Freda Lenzo: friend of Jeanne Ashanky

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

Derrick Perry: has been to some of our programs

Prayers for our students: Neekah Hinds, Mobolaji Falowo,

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:
Community Presbyterian Church, Edison, Rev. L.L. DuBreull
and Minister-at-Large: Rev. Russell C. Block**

PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT IS DUE MARCH 1, 2020 as follows: General Assembly \$8.95

The Synod of the Northeast \$4.10

The Elizabeth Presbytery \$31.95

Total 2020 Per Capita is \$ 45.00 . . . Per Capita is a member assessment used to fund the operating expenses of governing bodies (Book of Order; G-9.0404 d).

SUNDAY MARCH 1 – Congregational Gathering following the Worship Service for a presentation from UPC's Budget Committee.

OUR ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, March 15 after worship in the Lind Room.

This is the opportunity for members to discuss the annual reports of the committees and to find out answers to some of the questions they might have about the life of the church.

Starting March 3 through March 31, 2020

CONSIDER JOINING OUR 7- WEEK LENTEN STUDY:

for a deeper walk with God. The study is held twice weekly at different times to accommodate as many people as possible. One group will meet on Tuesdays from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. The other group will meet Thursday evenings from 6:30 – 8: 30pm. Meetings will be held in the Lind Room. There will be no preaching during the study.

- See Inserts

ALTAR FLOWERS MINISTRY Once again it is time to think about the Altar Flowers which beautify our Sanctuary each Sunday. The bouquet also brings cheer to members of the congregation who cannot attend worship and are delivered by a visiting Deacon. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please put your name on the flower chart which is hanging in the Narthex. Also, if you wish your flowers to be in memory or celebration of someone, please note it on the chart. Let's try to fill the chart for the **entire year of 2020**. Contribution is **\$25.00**. Please see Zorina Bowers concerning flowers. Thank you.

THE UPPER ROOM booklets for January/February/March/April 2020 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!

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GRACE

I Grow in God's Grace

When a burden begins to feel lighter, when a happy moment becomes truly joyous, when the way through a frustrating challenge suddenly becomes clear, I know I'm experiencing grace. Unity minister and author Eric Butterworth explains grace this way: "God's desire to express completely through you and as you is so great that you never completely reap the harvest of error, and you always reap more good than you sow. This is grace."

Grace is God's gift, constantly available to everyone willing to receive it. I look to God alone as the source of my good. I discover the guiding, healing, prospering presence of God everywhere I go, in everything I do, and in everyone I meet.

From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. -John 1:16
-Daily Word

Now set you mind and heart to seek the Lord your God.
1 Chronicles 22:19
Be still, and know that I am God! – Psalm 46:10



Begin the New Year
With God

SCHEDULE: February 16 - 23, 2020

Sunday	11:00am	Worship Service
	12:30pm	Refreshments, Lind Room
	7:30pm	A/A Meeting, Friendship Hall
Monday	Office Closed	Presidents' Day
Tuesday		
Wednesday	7:00pm	A/A Friendship Hall
Thursday	7:30pm	Session Meeting, Hansen Rm.
Friday		
Saturday	6:30pm	A/A, Hansen Room

Sunday	10:00am	Adult Bible Study
	11:00am	Worship Service
	Noon	Refreshments, Lind Room
	7:30pm	A/A Friendship Hall

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