BETHANY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Quincy, Massachusetts

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 5, 2020

THE LORD'S DAY – A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 5, 2020

PRELUDE: "Ashokan Farewell"

Ungar

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SOLO: "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior" Crosby/Doane

(Paul Frazer)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Come to our God, all who hunger for life:

for it is God who nourishes us at the Table of Grace
Come to our God, all who are worn out by life:

for it is God who provides the rest we need.
Come to our God, all who are weighed down:

for it is our God who carries our burdens with us.

PRAYER OF CONFESION (unison)

We are so skilled at being in control, at taking charge, O God, that we are not very good at resting. We think we have to be constantly busy, so we have no time for you. We are trained to be extremely productive, and so create our harried, stress-filled lives. Give us the grace to follow Jesus, not only into discipleship, but into our rest with you. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

THE LORDS PRAYER

THE GLORIA PATRI: 513

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CONCERNS and PRAYER REQUESTS
TIME OF SILENCE/PASTORAL PRAYER
PRAYER RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

(See Insert)

SERMON: "When the Load is Too Heavy"

Rev. Patrick S. McCorkle

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE
STATEMENT of FAITH (See Insert)
COMMUNION PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER
Sharing of the Bread (eaten as we receive it)
Sharing of the Cup (we drink together)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

In times of weakness and hour of need, yours O God, is the strength by which we carry on, the shoulder we rest our head upon. When our load is heavy and too much to bear, yours O Jesus, are the arms stretched out to help us the grace that we depend on. In times of weakness and hour of need, your voice O Spirit, is heard, 'Come... find rest.' This is grace divine, the path we tread to wholeness of body and spirit, the path that leads to you. Amen.

HYMN: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

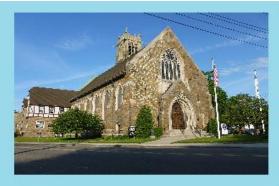
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

Broughton/Ward

The Worship is over. The service begins.



Re-opoening date Sunday July 19, 2020 Safety First

Safety supplies at the door. Safety notices posted in the Church, in your Bulletin, and sent to your email and those on our text message list.

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

When Jesus says that he offers us an easy yoke we may well object given that a yoke was used on animals and slaves to do hard and difficult work. The image appears, at first, demeaning. Be that as it may, let us leave aside this first emotional reaction to the image and ask just what a yoke does. A yoke was a device, usually put around the neck of an animal, or even a person, to enable them to perform a task that was usually beyond them.

"But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Mission Moment

"To find meaning in life is to know your mission."

Lailah Gifty Akita



Statement of Faith

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify:

He calls the worlds into being, creates man in his own image and sets before him the ways of life and death.

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, he has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself.

He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

He calls us into his church
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be his servants in the service of men,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world
and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.

He promises to all who trust him forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, his presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

Please join us in Virtual Sunday Fellowship at 10:30 AM.

Please call or email Church Office to be put on the mailing list for Zoom meeting IDs and Church News.

Join us in fellowship online using the zoom app. On your computer or favorite device.

zoom

Follow the links in the email or text message you received.



Enter the meeting ID and Wa-Lah! You're in!

Don't worry if you don't want to be seen, just turn off your camera or cover it with tape.

If you don't have a computer or just not computer savvy, don't worry! Just call in with your cell phone or home phone and just enter the meeting ID.

Please send prayer requests and any church news to the Church Office

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July 5th Sunday **Sunday Service (Bethany Web Page)**

9:30 AM

Worship Service (Web Site, QATV, Email)

July 5th Sunday

Sunday Zoom Fellowship

10:30 AM

(Zoom meeting ID and password will be

sent to Church Members by email)

July 12th Sunday

Deaconate Meeting (Zoom)

7:00 PM

July 13th Monday

Administrative Meeting

7:00 PM

(Zoom meeting IDs and passwords will be sent to committee members by email)



Thank you to Tom Boyer and Paul Frazer for providing this morning's Worship Music

The Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale will still be held, but at a later date. We will update you with the new date.

Thank you!

Please Keep the following people in your prayers. Don't forget to reach out with a card or a call.

Kimberly Beers-Power Pam and John Eagan **Bob Goodnow** Frieda Matthews

ARD

Jack Douglas Bill Ericson **Edie Goodnow**

Dorothy Mersereau Bill & Carol Harding

Ava Piazza

Estelle Weinberger

Peter and Grace Wang

And all of our at risk members during the COVID19 crisis



Children's Worship Bulletin

When Your Load Is Heavy

Mathew 11:28-30

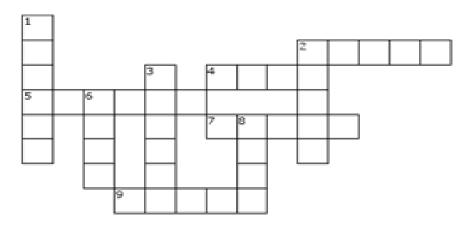
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COME	GIVE	EASY	BURDEN	REST



Crossword Puzzle



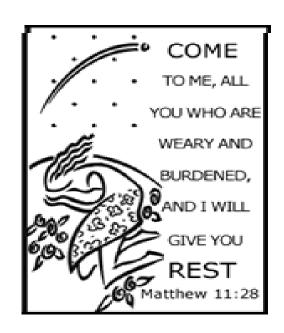
ACROSS

- Not heavy
- 4. The opposite of go
- A heavy load that you carry
- The place within a person where their feelings or emotions are
- Very tired, especially after working hard for a long time

DOWN

- Not proud or not believing that you are important
- To get knowledge or skill about a subject
- 3. Calm, kind or soft; not violent
- Stop and relax to regain your strength
- 8. Not difficult

WEARY	HUMBLE	EASY	BURDEN	REST
COME	HEART	LIGHT	GENTLE	LEARN



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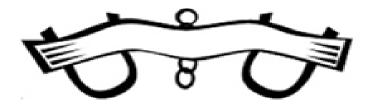
Thank you, God, for helping me.

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Decoder Puzzle

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

1 K	2 Z	3 X	4 M	5 D	6 B	7 Y	8 R		10 T	11 H		13 U	14 P	15 I	16 Q		18 C		20 W			24 F	25 L	26 G
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For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. Matthew 11:30

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Watch Bethany Congregational Church Sunday Services

on

QATV television

Services are broadcast on Quincy Access (Channel 8) 6 PM Thursdays

and

10 AM Sundays

Think of helping someone during these tough times.



You can help others by:

- Helping at a food bank
- Delivering groceries
- Shopping for seniors
- Sending a card
- Reaching out with a call

