
4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 25, 2023

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 69)

Marge Calkins, Liturgist

One: You, God, know my folly; my guilt is not hidden from you.

All: Lord, the LORD Almighty, may those who hope in you not be disgraced because of me.

One: God of Israel, may those you seek not be put to shame because of me.

All: I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving.

One: The poor will see and be glad – you who seek God, may your hearts live!

All: The Lord hears the needy and does not despise his captive people.

One: Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and all that move in them.

All: Let us praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving; Let us worship God!

*HYMN #2146 "His Eye is on the Sparrow"

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Generous, giving God: the gifts we present this day are supposed to represent the best of our discipleship. Why then do we sometimes use them without telling others these gifts come not from us, but from you. Why do we resist telling everyone we meet that the greatest imaginable gift is knowing you? Grant us the boldness we need to move out of the dark and proclaim our decision to be Christ's disciples to all, to shout it from the rooftops. May we speak to those we know and even to strangers of the love of Jesus without fear. May the way we live our lives be a proclamation of our decision to follow Christ! In His holy name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #354 "Guide My Feet"

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

- **Today's Ushers:** Harry & Bea Boak
- **Coffee Hour:** today is hosted by Marty Pond
- **Worship & Music:** Mon., July 3, 10:30 in the Media Center
- **Baldwinsville Volunteer Center:** The congregation donated 590 personal care and cleaning items, surpassing our goal of 500! As a reward, we will have a "special surprise" today following worship.



Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Nancy Dobbins, Ethel Frost; Anne Gruppe

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***First Presbyterian Church
 Baldwinsville, NY***

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Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

CALL TO CONFESSION

God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The proof of God’s amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us.

Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God in confidence. Confident in God’s grace, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Heavenly Father, your Son told us that a disciple is not above the teacher, yet we put our ideas and convictions above yours, time and time again. We know that there is nothing secret that will not become known, and yet we think we can hide our thoughts and deeds from you. You have instructed us to proclaim your Word from the rooftops, yet we sometimes only whisper our faith. We fear what might harm our bodies and reputations, yet rarely consider what might harm our souls. Gracious God, instill in our hearts a fire and a passion for discipleship. Make it so that we find it impossible resist your call to do your works. Instill in our souls a love and appreciation of your grace. Humble us in your presence and invigorate our obedience to you so that your light might shine brightly through us in this broken world. Make us true disciples of you, LORD. Amen.

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 20:7-13
red Bible p.944, black Bible p.722

Liturgist

MUSICAL OFFERING

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 6:1b-11
red Bible p.1374, black Bible p.156

Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 10:24-39
red Bible p. 1182, black Bible p. 10

Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret

SERMON “Sparrow, Swords and Crosses” ***Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret***

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed (UNISON)

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN #393 “Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said”

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER

