

Jesus said to them, Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Matthew 21:42

Creating Pathways to Discover New Connections in Christ



October 5, 2014

The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to Our Church

We are a historic church, part of a historic denomination, and we celebrate this history while exploring ways to bring passion and freshness to our worship and congregational life. Join us as we seek to discover Fresh Traditional ways to **proclaim, gather, and nurture**, all toward continuing Jesus Christ's earthly ministry of building God's Kingdom.

Visitor's Information brochures are in the stands at the entrances to assist you in finding your way around our campus.

Visiting with Children?

- **Activity materials** for young worshipers are in the drawers of the literature chests in both vestibules.
- **Infant and child care** is provided during the service in Howard House, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. (Located through the left door by the bell tables.)

Special Needs?

- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions.
- **Large print bulletins and Hearing assistance devices** are available from the ushers in the narthex at the back of the church.

GREETING: Betty, David and Julia Darcy, and Maureen, Dave, and Graydon Rogers

USHERING:

- 10:00: John May, head usher, Jack Fraebel, Chris Megargel, Ethan May, Katie Pheysey

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Myles C. Morrison, Mr. Richard P. Porter, and Mr. and Mrs. William A. Egan by their family.

JOIN US for refreshments and fellowship in the narthex at the back of the church, hosted by Melissa and Ken Clark.

More information on our Church, our programs and schedules is available on our website www.pcmorristown.org

Celebration of Worship

October 5, 2014

World Communion Sunday

10:00 a.m.

* *If you are able, please stand.*

VOLUNTARY

*For the Beauty of the Earth
Ringers on the Green*

arr. Valerie Stephenson

* *CALL TO WORSHIP*

The Reverend Dr. David J. Smazik

Leader: All around the world,

People: People rise to greet the morning and sing praise to the Creator.

Leader: All over the earth,

People: People hold hands around a table and offer thanks.

Leader: All around the globe.

People: Some cry for food, some are filled with laughter, all search for truth.

Leader: Throughout this day, across many lands,

People: Sisters and brothers touch the bread of life and drink the cup of joy.

Leader: All around the world,

People: People sing, and we join the unending chorus of praise.

All: Let us worship God!

* *HYMN 409*

God Is Here!

Abbot's Leigh

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastoral Assistant Linda Gaden

**Sovereign God, we confess
that we are not ready for your holy realm.
You gave us the gift of your law,
but we do not keep your commandments.
You sent your Son to save us,
but we sent him to his death.
Forgive us, merciful God,
so that we may return to your fold
and rejoice in your presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the Lamb upon the throne.**

**Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS (Hymn 581, “Glory Be to the Father”)*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.**

A TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Alexandra Mead

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that
comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food,
that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus
Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 19 (Old Testament, page 472)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Let All the People Say “Amen”

Pepper Choplin

Chancel Choir Jayson Greenberg, tenor

Let all the people say, “Amen.” Let your will be done again.

Shout unto God with a voice of triumph, triumph in the victory of the Lord strong and might,
the everlasting God and the King of Kings. Shout to God with a voice of triumph and clap
your hands for the Lord God is awesome and He is king over all the earth.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:33-46 (New Testament, page 22)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Working the Soil Together”

Dr. Smazik

* HYMN 769

For Everyone Born

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*Stanza 1: Hanna Neil, solo; Stanza 2: All voices
Stanza 3: Hanna Neil, solo; Stanzas 4 & 5: All voices*

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Youth Ministry

GREETING/OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*(Please sign and pass the friendship pad, found in the pew, to the person next to you.
Offering envelopes and prayer request cards are located in the pew pockets for your
convenience. Cards will be collected with the offering.)*

ANTHEM

Coming Together

Jason Robert Brown

Chancel Choir

Anthony Bruno, tenor

Come to the water, the water will flow. Stand to the night, see the light, let it grow. Hold on
for hard winds are starting to blow, stand up! Hold on! And swear you won't let go.

Whatever I said doesn't matter. Whatever you said doesn't hurt. Whatever we meant and
whatever we did is lost in the water. Whatever I felt I've forgotten. Whatever I planned I
released, but come take my hand, come down to the water. Where people are coming together
and people are falling apart, and no one can hide- we're caught in the tide and punched in the
heart. People are harder than diamonds. And people are stronger than knives. We breathe
and we burn, but we'll never return for the rest of our lives. We're branded and blind, and we
try to rewind, to reset and restart. People are louder than fire, and people are stronger than
knives. We'll pick up the slack, but we'll never go back for the rest of our lives.

*DOXOLOGY: HYMN 607

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Christ, all people here below

Praise Holy Spirit, evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Friends, this is the joyful feast of unity. Christ has gathered his people around
the earth to commune as the family of God. Across political lines
and economic lines, in places of power and affluence, and among the poorest of
the poor, we share a meal, remembering and celebrating the One who proved
shalom is possible through his life, death, and resurrection. And so, come: you
from the East and you from the West, from the North and from the South. Jesus
said, "Come all who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest."

Come, to this feast that Jesus Christ has prepared for each one of us.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great God of creation: From the soil of the earth, you have formed us in your image. We are a symphony of languages, a mosaic of customs, and a medley of flavors; collectively we are your grand design for humanity.

We remember that at creation, you brought life out of chaos and began the great act of salvation. You created a wild and beautiful world, drawing up mountains and laying out plains; a world dripping with humid jungle and scorched with parched desert.

You created a world of enough. You fed us manna and quail in the desert, bread and fish with leftovers at the seaside. By your Word, you fed us the bread of life and offered us living water. And in your presence at this table, we stand as recipients of these gracious acts of shalom.

You created a world of compassion. You mandated jubilee, calling your people to a life of generous commonality. You dared our enemies to throw stones if they could find no sin within. You know our faults and still call us beloved.

Spirit of life and unity: Through this simple meal, draw us together. Renew our minds, reframe our thoughts, and reorient our hearts to beat with the rhythm of our call to shalom-making.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION IN MANY LANGUAGES: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(To signify our oneness in Christ, worshipers are asked to hold the bread until everyone has been served. The cup may be drunk as soon as it is received, indicating our individual relationships with Christ.)

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Beautiful City (from Godspell)

Stephen Schwartz

Migratory V (from Myths and Hymns)

Adam Guettel

Anthony Bruno, tenor

COMMUNION PRAYER (unison)

Creating and Sustaining God, we thank you for this holy meal and for the gift of your son, our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank you for the gift of the church, your body here on earth. May we be one body united with your love. All around the world, your Holy Spirit is on the move, uniting your creation. Open our hearts to the world as we spread your Good News in the precious name of Jesus, Amen.

**HYMN 372*

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**BENEDICTION*

VOLUNTARY

Participating in the service today are The Reverend Dr. David J. Smazik and Pastoral Assistant Linda Gaden, Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education, Matthew Webb, Director of Music.

Speaking the Words of Institution for us are Gladys Akillian (Armenian), Ernst Bolten (German), Carolyn Crosthwaite (Spanish), Lisa Fraebel (Swahili), Frank Gaden (American sign), Scott Gothe (Latin), and Rich Wujciak (Polish).

OPEN MEETINGS THIS WEEK: For a full schedule of meetings, go to our website.

Sunday, October 5 *Office closed*

World Communion Sunday

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday School for adults and children in the Parish House
- 8:45 a.m. *Sunday Morning Seminar*
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion
- 11:15 a.m. Inquirers' Class in the Parish House
- 11:30 a.m. Recorder Consort
- 11:30 a.m. Ringers-on-the-Green rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class


Monday, October 6

- 9:00 a.m. Pre-School Small Group

Tuesday, October 7

- 8:00 a.m. Small Group (D. Lisco)
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Ringers
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Wednesday, October 8

- 7:00 a.m. Small Group (M. Kaller)
- 9:00 a.m. AAA
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 12:00 p.m. Worship
- 4:00 p.m. ! Bel Melodia, Bel Canto
- 4:15 p.m. *Ekklesia* Middle School Youth Group
- 6:05 p.m. Tower Singers and Ringers
- 7:00 p.m. *Koinonia* High School Youth Group

Thursday, October 9

- 1:00 p.m. JAM (Joy and Music)

Friday, October 10

- 9:30 a.m. Volunteers (Bulletins)
- 6:00 p.m. Family Game Night for all Youth Families

Saturday, October 11 *Office closed*

- 9:00 a.m. Tai Chi
- 10:00 a.m. *Christian Yoga*

Sunday, October 12 *Office closed*

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday School for adults and children in the Parish House
- 8:45 a.m. *Sunday Morning Seminar*
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Baptism
- 11:30 a.m. Recorder Consort

Please note: The Nursery School **Book Fair** begins Monday, October 6, and runs through October 12. It will be open during MidWeek activities and on Sunday during Sunday School



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