



The Presbyterian Church
in Morristown

June 25, 2017

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration of Worship

Prelude

Prelude in B-flat Major

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Kevin Graf, organ

*** Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

The Rev. Dr. David Smazik

Leader: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,

Leader: and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

People: looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

*** Hymn 331**

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

National Hymn

Confession and Pardon

The Reverend Sarah Green

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious God, we know Christ died to free us from sin and to free us for obedience. But we have failed to live in that knowledge. In many ways, Lord, we have denied you. To those who seek your help, you grant strength and salvation. Yet we strive to do for ourselves. To those who lift their hearts, you bend low. Yet we forget and fail to call on you. To those who die in faith, you bestow new life. Yet we cling to what is safe and continue to sin. Lord, forgive our lack of gratitude, our neglect of your good gifts, and our selfish living. Bind us to you, that we might live for you. Amen.

* If you are able, please stand.

Kyrie: Hymn 284

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

Tui Amoris Ignem

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon (*responsively*)

Leader: By God's great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

People: **We have an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.**

*** Response: Hymn 586**

Alleluia

Alleluia 7

*** Passing of the Peace**

A Time for Young Christians

Alexandra Mead

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Scripture Reading:

Psalm 86:1-10; 16-17

(Old Testament, page 514)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Total Praise

Richard Smallwood (b. 1948)

The Chancel Choir

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from You. Your peace, You give me in time of the storm. You are the source of my strength, You are the strength of my life, I lift my hands in total praise to You. Amen.

Second Scripture Reading:

Hebrews 11:8-16; 32-40

(New Testament, page 221)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“The Communion of Saints”

Rev. Miller

*** Hymn 730**

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Grand Isle

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Responsive Litany

Wendy Doidge

Leader: As in one body we have many parts and each part has its own function, all of us are one body together with Christ, and we all belong to each other.

People: We have different gifts according to the grace God has given us.

Leader: If your gift is to hear God's Word,

People: speak it out in faith.

Leader: If your gift is service,

People: live to serve others.

Leader: If your gift is the heart of a teacher,

People: teach what is true.

Leader: Let preachers preach with conviction, and givers give freely;

People: let officers work diligently for the people, and let those who serve the poor, serve gladly.

Leader: Let us not lack for enthusiasm, but be ardent in spirit,

People: serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope, patient in suffering, constant in prayer, supporting one another, and welcoming all.

Leader: Today we reclaim our historic calling and remember the great ends of the church:

People: The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

Presentation of Deacons and Elders

Elder to be Ordained and Installed: Kenneth Clark

Deacon to be Ordained and Installed: Shelley Trautman

Deacon to be Installed: Carol Gilbert

Questions to the Officers

Questions to the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept these candidates as elders or deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

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.

Donations may be made online through our website. Cards will be collected with the offering.)

Offertory

Come, ye faithful

R.S. Thatcher (1888-1957)

The Chancel Choir

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness; God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness; 'tis the spring of souls today, Christ hath burst his prison, and from three days sleep in death as a sun hath risen. Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendour, with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render; comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu's resurrection. Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal, hold thee as a mortal; but today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

* Doxology (Hymn 609)

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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.

* Hymn 326

For All the Saints

Sine Nomine

* Benediction

Postlude

Toccata in G Major

Kevin Graf, organ

Théodore Dubois (1837-1924)

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Reverend Dr. David Smazik; The Reverend Sarah Green
The Reverend John Miller
Alexandra Mead, Director of Christian Education
Kevin Graf, Organ Scholar; The Chancel Choir
Emma Craig and Evan MacGregor, Acolytes

GREETERS

Karen Crooks and Marilyn Hummer
Linda and Nial McCabe

USHERS

Dave Mutchler, Head Usher; Jack Fraebel, Daria and Rich Lisco,
Shirley Mutchler, Barbara Parke, and Gayle Pearson

FLOWERS

In celebration of our 30th Wedding Anniversary
by John and Nancy Alessio

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Betty and David Darcy

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

Sunday, June 25

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion (Chapel)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 a.m. Deacons at Spring Hills
- 3:30 p.m. Hike (Jockey Hallow, Morristown)

Monday, June 26

- 9:15 a.m. VBS (Parish House)

Tuesday, June 27

- 9:15 a.m. VBS (Parish House)
- 10:00 a.m. Tai Chi (Parish House)

Wednesday, June 28

- 9:15 a.m. VBS (Parish House)

Thursday, June 29

- 9:15 a.m. VBS (Parish House)
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Yoga (Parish House)

Friday, June 30 – *Office closes at noon*

- 9:00 a.m. AAA
- 9:15 a.m. VBS (Parish House)
- 9:30 a.m. Bulletin Volunteers (Parish House)

Saturday, July 1 – *no open meetings*

Sunday, July 2

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion (Chapel)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion (Sanctuary)
VBS Celebration

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Are you depressed, hospitalized, terminally ill, bereaved, in a job crisis, disabled, lonely, going through a divorce, or in a spiritual crisis? Trained, confidential Stephen Ministers are available to walk with you through your pain. Call Ginny Pontious 973-984-7507, Sarah Green 973-538-1776, or Jim Wood 973-615-4202.

Wel come

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 worshippers 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 or special needs. **Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices** are available from the ushers in the narthex at the back of the church.

Please come again

- **Sunday Worship Schedule:**
7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion
10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



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