

BRICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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ORDER FOR WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2023

* Please stand as you are able

Congregational responses are in **bold**



GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

Sofia Thalheimer

PRELUDE

"Come Thou Fount"

arr. Mark Hayes

Keyboardist: Brian Lockard

CALL TO WORSHIP ¹

We wake at the prompting of God. We come at the call of God.

We come reminded that we are God's beloved, embraced, prodigal, rebellious, redeemed children.

For God loves our diversity.

God creates originals, bestows various gifts and honors uniqueness.

There is a place for each of us at this table.

There is a room prepared for us in the household of God.

Our voices are heard, our lives are known and loved at this table, in this room and for all eternity in the heart of God. Come now into the Presence of God.

* HYMN

“Come to the Table of Grace”

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CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Lorrie Haluza

INVITATION TO KNOW GOD’S GRACE

Rev. Thomas Sheffield

PRAYER OF CONFESSION ²

(we begin with a moment of silence for personal confession)

O Lord our God, you call us to love our neighbor as ourself, ensuring that all will be fed and have dignity. But in our own distractions, we are blinded by our selfish desires. We turn away from those who are hungry and crying out for your help. We have forgotten to trust you with our little, to multiply it with your great power.

Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your abundance and grace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all of creation. Believe this good news and give thanks: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has reconciled us through Jesus Christ, let us also be reconciled to one another.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

1st SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 3: 14-21 p. 1018 in pew Bible

ANTHEM *“Mighty to Save”* by Morgan & Fielding
Soloist: Sofia Thalheimer | Keyboardist: Kaleb Brasee

2nd SCRIPTURE READING Mathew 14: 13-21 p. 848 in pew Bible

SERMON *“Sit Anywhere”* Rev. Thomas Sheffield

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

* HYMN *“Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken”* # 498 vs. 1,2,3

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *“Here I Am to Worship”* by Tim Huges
Soloist: Sofia Thalheimer | Keyboardist: Kaleb Brasee

* DOXOLOGY

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

708, v. 1

**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.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION ³

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

COMMUNION

You are invited to come forward to receive the Communion elements from one of the stations at the front of the sanctuary.

The servers will hand the elements to you. Gluten-Free and Regular premade, sealed Communion elements are available from the front-center server and for those who remain in their seats.

COMMUNION HYMN

"You Are My All In All"

by Dennis Jernigan

Keyboardist: Kaleb Brasee

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

SENDING

* HYMN *"Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"* # 498 vs. 4

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE *"God Will Take Care of You"* by W. Stillman Martin
Arranged by: Lloyd Larson



Worship Notes

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1 Based on a prayer from Gentle Words in a Raging Storm by Gary R. Weaver

2-3. From the Order of Worship for August 6, 2023, Presbyterian Outlook

Children and Families have options in worship! At the front of the sanctuary on the right-hand side, we have our new **PrayGround area**. This space is for children to sit together and do quiet activities while being present for the worship service. Children's bulletins, lap desks, crayons / colored pencils, puzzles, soft toys, and children's Bibles are available for use.

Why a PrayGround? People - especially children - learn by watching, listening, and most especially by doing. Faith development happens not only in the Church School classroom, but in the worship setting in which the entire Body of Christ gathers together. When they *hear* the music, *sense* the reverence and importance, *taste* the Communion elements (*for those who are baptized*), *see* the elements of the sanctuary and worship space, and *feel* included, they are spiritually nurtured. The PrayGround enables children to experience the service first-hand and up-close while having child-friendly faith-based activities to keep them engaged. It enables the parents to enjoy worship without distraction while knowing that their children are safe.

What if my child can't sit still? Kids wiggle! That's ok - we should worry if they don't! The PrayGround floor is a comfortable foam puzzle mat. A PrayGround adult attendant will be present at all times to make sure that little worshippers are supported and not disruptive. If a child needs to be in the nursery instead, that's ok! The smallest children and those with special needs are welcome to utilize the nursery room where there is a TV that streams the worship service. Ask an usher for help.

What if my child doesn't want to be in the PrayGround? That's ok too! Our children are welcome to be anywhere they are comfortable and not disruptive within the sanctuary. They are welcome to come to the PrayGround before the service starts where they can get a children's bulletin and any other materials they would like to use for the hour and take it back to their seat.



This morning's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God
in loving memory of
Fred Ochs

PRAYER LIST

Gary Baker, Elba Figueroa, Rich Irwin,
Jim McCue, Bob Mahns, Michael Toth



And Our Homebound:

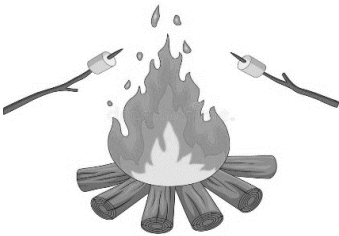
Don Bertrand, Jack Macaluso,
Marion Irwin - Harrogate Health Care, Lakewood
Christine Meiselman - Hampton Ridge, Toms River
Ada Trinidad - Monmouth Crossing, Freehold

Good Morning

Today, preaching for us, we welcome our friend, the **Rev. Tom Sheffield**. **Pastor Kristie will be off August 6 – 11**. Call the office with any urgent pastoral care needs.

Welcome Pastor Tom and thank you for being with us.

Sunday Night Worship Around the Campfire Will Not Meet Tonight



Our campfire worship service will resume next Sunday, August 13th at 6:30pm in the backyard of the manse.

The BPC Handbell Choir invites you to join our fun, friendly group! No musical experience is required – **WE TRAIN!**



Practices are Monday evenings in the Sanctuary, and we play during Worship on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Ages 14 and up are welcome! Contact Bonnie Luton or call the church office for info.



WORSHIP on the SHORELINE

**Sunday, August 20th 10am
at Cherry Quay Beach**

Fellowship will follow

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*Carpooling is encouraged;
Meet in the Church parking lot at 9:30
if you are willing to carpool.*

If you are willing to be a driver, that would be great! Please let Pastor Kristie and the Worship committee know by signing your name on the **sign-up sheet** found on the **Narthex table**. *Thanks!*

Memorial bricks and Hymnal dedications are available throughout the year to honor or memorialize a loved one or to commemorate a special date or event. Order forms are available from the Fundraising Committee.



Come Out for an Ice Cream Social

**Please join us at Carvel, in the Drum Point Plaza
371 Brick Blvd in Brick on Thursday, August 17TH
between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.**

Any donations received will benefit the BPC Youth Group.

NOTES

Brick Presbyterian Church

Rev. Kristie Miles, *Pastor*
Patrice Law, *Clerk of Session*

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Class of 2026

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Bonnie Luton, Handbell Choir Director

Edmond Murphy, Minister of Vocal Music

Christy Tompkins, Praise Team Leader

W R Mahns, Pianist / Organist