

Welcome to
Brick Presbyterian Church



Philip Catechizes the Ethiopian Eunuch
Stained Glass in Exeter College Chapel

ORDER FOR WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD ¹

HEALING SERVICE

July 28, 2024

* Please stand as you are able

Congregational responses are in **bold**

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WORDS OF WELCOME

KC Trautweiller, Liturgist

PRELUDE

"Be Still and Know"

arr. Carol Tornquist

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in your presence, God,

In our need and bringing with us the needs of the world.

We come to you, for you come to us in Jesus,

And you know by experience what human life is like.

We come with our faith and with our doubts;

We come with our hopes and with our fears.

We come as we are, because you have invited us;

And you have promised never to turn us away.

* HYMN

"Here in This Place"

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Kristie

PRAYER

Loving God, You gather us here today, here, where many have come before us seeking your healing, strength, and love.

You know us, God:

You understand who we are,

You know what troubles and puzzles us,

What makes us smile and what makes us sad.

You listen to our questions and our prayers.

You know the people we love, God,

And the people we struggle with.

Sometimes we hurt others;

Sometimes we hurt ourselves.

So, we bring our own hurt

Asking for your healing;

And we bring the hurt we have caused others,

Asking for forgiveness.

(pause)

Listen to these words of Jesus, words that we can trust:

"Don't be afraid."

"I love you."

"Your sins are forgiven."

"I will be with you always."

(pause)

Write these words in our hearts, loving God,

Let them take root in our living. 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.

* RESPONSE TO GRACE *"Glory Be to the Father"*

577 (Blue)

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.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.

World without end, Amen.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, by your Spirit, open our minds, hearts, and souls to hear Your Word of Life for us today. **Amen.**

ANTHEM

"Where You Lead"

by Andy Wilson (VBS Kids)

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 8:26-40

p.955 in pew Bible

The Words of Holy Scripture for the people of God;

Thanks be to God, Amen.

MESSAGE

"Outsider ,Outsider: In"

Rev. Kristie Miles

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Brief Statement of Faith, Lines 72-80

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE INVITATION

At the end of the next hymn, you are invited to seek prayer for yourself, on behalf of someone else, or for a situation in the world, by taking it in turn to sit in one of the seats in the front of the sanctuary. Also, if you wish to share in providing the gift of the laying-on of hands, please come forward and place a hand on the shoulder of the person in front of or next to you.

Whatever your participation, you are invited to speak the words of our prayer below.

* HYMN

“Amazing Grace”

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LAYING ON OF HANDS AND HEALING PRAYER

**Spirit of the Living God,
Present with us now,
Heal you in body, mind, and spirit,
And free you from all that harms you,
In Jesus' name. Amen.**

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.

MOMENT FOR GRATITUDE

You are invited to silently thank God for one of your recent blessings.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD ©

OFFERTORY "W-I-S-E" by Andy Wilson (VBS Kids)

* DOXOLOGY "Doxology" Tune: TALLIS' CANON

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, whose giving knows no ending, we offer up the treasure that you have entrusted to us; we offer up the skills and time that you have graciously given to us; we offer up ourselves in service and praise. Receive these gifts by your grace. Multiply and use them through the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish Christ's work of love in the world. Amen.

RETURNING TO THE WORLD IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN "Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks" # 240

CONNECTING OUR FAITH TO THE ACTIONS OF OUR CHURCH

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "He Keeps Me Singing" arr. James Koerts



Worship Notes

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¹ Portions of today's liturgy come from the Iona Abbey Worship Book. Wild Goose Publications: Glasgow, Scotland. 2017. P. 109-128.

Children and Families Have Options in Worship!

At the front of the sanctuary on the left-hand side, we have a “**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 in the narthex.

The Nursery, in classroom #1, is also available for young children.



TODAY Christy Tompkins will be hosting a **YOUTH GROUP COOKOUT AND POOL PARTY** from 6:00 - 8:00 (ish) PM. Parents are asked to bring kids to the Tompkins home at 252 Atsion Way (Toms River). **RSVP is required.** *Please speak to Christy.*



What's Your Favorite Worship Song?

We have received a fun suggestion that Pastor Kristie and the Worship Committee would like to implement. Using one of the pink slips of paper, please tell us: *what is your favorite song to sing in worship?* It can be a traditional hymn or a contemporary song, it can be in our purple Glory to God hymnal or from a different source. If you're not sure of the exact title, do your best to write down the gist of the lyrics. If it *is* in the purple hymnal, please include the hymn number. The next time we use your favorite in worship, we'll make a note in the bulletin that it's your favorite! This will also help us choose worship music that you really like! Please put your suggestion in the basket marked “Music Favorites.”

Prayer List

Gary Baker, Donovan & Family, Figueroa family, Lori & Harold Fisher,
Kiernan Holster, John Hunt, Rich Irwin, Dillon Kearns, John Kearns,
Luke Meli, Greg Morrison, Steve Prioli, Michael Toth

And Our Homebound:

Don Bertrand, Jack Macaluso,
Christine Meiselman - Hampton Ridge, Toms River
Ada Trinidad - Monmouth Crossing, Freehold



Wednesday, July 31

Food Pantry Open - 10:00AM-2:00PM

Sunday, August 4

Worship - 10:00AM

Last Days for Bloomin'4 Good



We are so excited to share that, for the entire **month of July**, BPC Food Pantry has been selected to benefit from the Stop & Shop's Bloomin' 4 Good Program, created to fight hunger across the communities served by Stop & Shop.

For the month of July, when you purchase a **\$10.99 bouquet** in the sleeve marked "**Bloomin' 4 Good**" from the **Stop & Shop on Brick Blvd**, they will direct *a \$1 donation to BPC Food Pantry.*

Sunday, August 18 Outdoor Worship at the Beach



BPC will have an outdoor worship service on Sunday, August 18th at 10:00 a.m. at Cherry Quay Beach, Port Rd., Brick. *Directions will be available.* Bring a **lawn chair**. In case of rain, an announcement will be made to move the service to the FLC.

The **Worship committee** is hosting the **coffee hour** for this service at **Cherry Quay Beach**, immediately following worship.



The **Bell Choir** is looking for a few **additional members** to help us as we resume ringing in September. A musical background is not required, and we provide all needed training.

If you are interested in joining our fun, friendly group, please speak with **Bonnie Luton** (our "Ringleader") or any member of the Bell Choir. **We meet Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.** to practice for about an hour, and we typically play during Worship on the fourth Sunday of each month. *We hope you will join us!*



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Patrice Law, *Clerk of Session*

Tim Towlen, *Moderator of Deacons*; Michael Candeloro, *Vice-Moderator*

Session

Class of 2025

Chuck Cumella, Tom Fortier, Patrice Law, Christy Tompkins, Craig Trautweiler

Class of 2026

Katie Candeloro, Marty Haluza, Michael Kraynick, Lynn Mizer, Jean Reilly

Class of 2027

Brian Aldrich, Michael Auriemma, Missy Brino, Mark Ellis

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Class of 2025

Dorothy Aldrich, Carol Orbann, Elorm Banini, Sharon Thomas, Lauren Towlen

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Kevin Nagy, Sabrina Nagy, Tracey Podolsky, Wendy Schweis

Staff

Karen Ellis, *Financial Secretary*

Mike Kraynick, *Treasurer*

Patricia Loboda, *Administrative Assistant*

Bonnie Luton, *Handbell Choir Director*

Edmond Murphy, *Director of Vocal Music*

Christy Tompkins, *Praise Team Leader*

Rev. Doug Chase, Pastor Emeritus