

Order of Worship

We are caring believers who grow, share, and live out our faith in Christ.

May 7, 2023 10:00 A.M.
PRELUDE "Give Me Jesus" Mark Hayes
Amy Duran, piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Sayer

Our Approach to God

*MUSICAL PSALM "In You, O Lord, I Am Found" Kimbrough
Nate Giordano, guitar

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 31
Leader: I run to You, God; I run for dear life. Don't let me down!
Take me seriously!

People: Get down on my level and listen, please. Your granite cave, a hiding place; Your high cliff, a place of safety.

Leader: You're my cave to hide in, my cliff to climb. Be my safe leader; be my true mountain guide.

People: Free me from hidden traps; I want to hide in You.

Leader: I've put my life in Your hands. You won't drop me; You'll never let me down.

People: Warm me, Your servant, with a smile; save me because You love me.

*HYMN "Our Great Savior" #17

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, You're trying to make something of us – a people called together to serve You, to know You, to love you, to follow You, to serve as a beacon of Your light. We resist that. We resist being built, shaped – changed. We even resist the idea that we're only complete by being together. We think of ourselves much more as solo operators. We kind of feel that any work You're doing in us, You're doing in us as individuals. God, may we be clay in Your hands, as You try to shape us together, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

HEARING OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

LIVING THANKFULLY AS FORGIVEN PEOPLE

CHANCEL CHOIR "Come Bless the Lord and Sing" Poorman

The Word of God

GREETING EACH OTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

*HYMN "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" #400

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 2:2-10 p. 140 (OT)

SERMON "Being Built . . . Together" Pastor Sayer

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

Our Response to God

OFFERING

"We Are an Offering"

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "We Are God's People" #399

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?" Mark Hayes
Amy Duran, piano

*** Please stand if you are able.**

PRAYER CONCERNS: Anonymous; Lynn Baker; Craig Ciavaglia; Ernie Hepperle; Nancy Lanzalotto; Ed Serrano; Craig Terjanian.

THE UNITY PRAYER: Forgive us, Lord, when we, as Christians, have grown accustomed and comfortable with the divisions that exist between us. We pray that we may seek the unity that God invites us into which is communion with one another.

THE FLOWERS are given by Lynne and Jim Lupfer in celebration of their daughter, Katie's birthday.

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Monday 7:45 Bell Choir
Tuesday 7:30 Deborah Circle, Chapel
Wednesday 9:00 Courier Assembly
1:30 Rachel Circle, Conf. Room
7:30 Ramsey Wind Symphony in FH
Thursday 7:30 Christian Ed meeting
7:30 Chancel Choir
Friday 11-3:00 Club 60, FH
Saturday 8:30 Men's Group

Sunday, May 14, 2023

9:00 AM - Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Worship
Puppet Club and Sunday School
11:15—Alleluia Choir

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GIVE BLOOD! Donating blood can save lives, and the life you may save could be your own. Kevin Garrison is a brother of an HP resident, and in December of 2022 he donated blood. The next day he learned from the blood center that he had an extremely high white blood count and found out he had a rare form of leukemia. He had no symptoms so by donating platelets with the intention of helping people, he helped himself. The drive will be held on Tuesday, May 9 from 1 to 7 PM here at the church in Founders' Hall. Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are welcome if capacity permits. Scan the QR code on the poster in the hallway or sign up at www.nybc.org/njdrive. Use sponsor code 71786. Thank you.

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