Order of Worship

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

September 10, 2023 10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE "This Is My Father's World" Franklin L. Sheppard

Amy Duran, piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Approach to God

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 27

Leader: I'm asking God for one thing, only one thing: to live with

Him in His house my whole life long. I'll contemplate His

beauty; I'll study at His feet.

People: That's the only quiet, secure place in a noisy world, the

perfect getaway, far from the buzz of traffic.

Leader: God holds me head and shoulders above all who try to pull

me down. I'm headed for His place to offer anthems that will raise the roof! Already I'm singing God-songs; I'm

making music to God.

People: When my heart whispered, "Seek God," my whole

being replied, "I'm seeking Him!"

*HYMN "Fairest Lord Jesus" #87

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and Holy God, You've given Your world and Your people ways to be more completely knit together with You. You've given us ways to be knit together with each other. You've given us ways to be knit together with Your vision for who we're to be. But, in the fast pace of our lives, with the world swirling around us, we get swept into the way our world is. To some degree, we get swept away from You. And so, Holy Spirit, we ask that You'd keep working in us, knitting us together with our Father and our Lord. Amen.

HEARING OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS LIVING THANKFULLY AS FORGIVEN PEOPLE

CHANCEL CHOIR "Walk Along Beside Me, Oh My Lord" Don Besig

The Word of God

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GREETING EACH OTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

*HYMN "As the Deer" #548

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Exodus 37:12-17 p. 84

SERMON "Keeping Sabbaths" Pastor Sayer

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

Our Response to God

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY #815

JOYS, THANKS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE GENERAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "I Want to Be Like Jesus" #550

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Amy Duran, piano

*Please stand if you are able.

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PRAYER CONCERNS: Anonymous; Lynn Baker; Judi Keith; Janet Kosack; Nancy Lanzalotto; Ed Serrano; Craig Terjanian.

OUR SYMPATHIES are extended to Judith Smith and her family on the passing of her husband, Howard, this past Tuesday. Please keep the Smith family in your prayers. Visiting hours are this afternoon from 2 to 6 PM at Becker Funeral Home, 219 Kinderkamack Road, Westwood, NJ, and the service will be tomorrow, Monday, September 11 at 10 AM also at Becker.

THE UNITY PRAYER: God, we pray that reading Your word would touch our hearts and that we would hunger for your truth. We pray that reading Your word will feed our souls like when we eat a meal it feeds our bodies.

THE FLOWERS are given by Sharon Brahs in loving memory of her mother. Eva McCune Warner.

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