



# SUNDAY WORSHIP

Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine

October 10, 2021

We welcome you to this special Zoom worship service of the Main Street Church, developed as an alternative to in-person worship. As you join this special Zoom meeting, we invite you to greet and check in with others present. The playing of the prelude signals a settling time of quiet and meditation as we prepare ourselves for the Word of God. Please mute your device microphone when you hear this signal, and leave your device muted for the entire worship service. Feel free to participate in responses and hymns while your device is muted.

Following worship we invite you to join in fellowship with other Zoom worshippers.

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**Order of Worship**  
**TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL PARISH OF CASTINE**  
**Castine, Maine**  
**Proper 23**

October 10, 2021  
Pastor:  
Musician:  
Deacon:  
Lector:  
Zoom/YouTube Host

9:30 am  
Rev. Tim Hall  
Suzanne Eaton  
Dianne Yates  
Jimmy Goodson  
Amy Stewart

Ministers: All Members

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GATHERING AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

*We welcome you to worship in this special place, and hope that you feel free to greet your friends and neighbors as you arrive. Please let the playing of the organ prelude signal a settling time of quiet and meditation as we prepare ourselves for the Word of God.*

PRELUDE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERLUDE/ACOLYTE

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

Seek good and not evil;  
Seek the Lord and live!

**May the Lord our God be with us.**

Seek good and not evil,  
That justice may prevail.

**May the Lord our God show us grace.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve*

P 362

*Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve,  
And press with vigor on;  
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,  
And an immortal crown,  
And an immortal crown.*

*'Tis God's all animating voice  
That calls thee from on high;  
'Tis his own hand presents the prize  
To thine aspiring eye,  
To thine aspiring eye.*

*A cloud of witnesses around  
Hold thee in full survey;  
Forget the steps already trod,  
And onward urge thy way,  
And onward urge thy way.*

*Blest Savior, introduced by thee,  
Have I my race begun;  
And, crowned with victory, at thy feet  
I'll lay my honors down,  
I'll lay my honors down.*

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)**

**Reveal to us your Word, O God, living and active in our world by the power of your Holy Spirit. Let your Word pierce our hearts and open our minds, dividing good from evil, truth from falsehood, life from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A TIME WITH ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

**God of justice and mercy, we confess that we put ourselves first and trust in things that will not last. We desire the evil and scorn the good; we gather up power and**

**wealth and push aside the needy in our way. O Lord, be gracious to us in spite of our great sin. Teach us to love your justice and share in your mercy. Help us to seek the treasure of heavenly life with you.**

*A moment for silent prayer*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*GLORIA PATRI (Unison)**

P 513

**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. Amen.**

## HEARING THE WORD

### **Amos 5:6-7, 10-15**

<sup>6</sup>Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. <sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

<sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

<sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. <sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

<sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. <sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

### **Psalm 90:12 - 17**

So teach us to count our days  
**that we may gain a wise heart.**

Turn, O LORD! How long?

**Have compassion on your servants!**

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,  
**so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us,  
**and as many years as we have seen evil.**

Let your work be manifest to your servants,  
**and your glorious power to their children.**

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,  
**and prosper for us the work of our hands—  
O prosper the work of our hands!**

### **Hebrews 4:12-16**

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. <sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has

passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Congregational Response

*Let It Breathe on Me*

NC 288

*Let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me,  
Let the breath of the Spirit breathe on me.  
Let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me,  
Let the breath of God now breathe on me.*

### **Mark 10:17-31**

<sup>17</sup>As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.”

<sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

<sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

\*HYMN

*Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

P 341

*Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways.  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;  
In purer lives thy service find,  
In deeper reverence, praise.*

*In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word,  
Rise up and follow thee.*

*O sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above!  
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
The silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love.*

*Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of thy peace.*

*Breathe through the pulses of desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.*

## THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offertory

## \*Doxology (Unison)

P 515

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

## \*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

**God of glorious power and wisdom, how can we number your countless gifts? Look upon our lives with favor, and, by the gift of your grace, prosper the work of our hands. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

Celebrations & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

## \*CLOSING HYMN

*I Am Yours, O Lord*

NC 455

*I am yours, O Lord, I have heard your voice,  
and it told your love to me;  
But I long to rise in the arms of faith,  
Drawn to you eternally,  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to the cross where you have died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to your precious bleeding side.*

*O the pure delight of a single hour  
That before your throne I spend,  
When I kneel in prayer, and with you, my God,  
I commune as friend with friend!  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to the cross where you have died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to your precious bleeding side.*

*Consecrate me now to your holy work  
By the power of grace divine;  
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope;  
Let your will be don, not mine.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to the cross where you have died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to your precious bleeding side.*

*There are depths of love that I cannot know  
Till I cross the narrow sea;  
There are heights of joy that I may not reach  
Till I rest eternally.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to the cross where you have died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to your precious bleeding side.*

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude.*

### **Notes:**

(NC) *New Century Hymnal* (black)

(P) *Pilgrim Hymnal* (blue)

\*All who are able, **please stand**

*Please be aware that we are still under State of Maine restrictions for COVID Prevention, which include requirements for face coverings and social distancing for all persons, vaccinated or not, while in the church building.*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Coming up on the Calendar**

October 11	1 p.m.	Shawl Ministry
October 12	9 a.m.	Bible Study
October 17	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
October 19	9 a.m.	Bible Study
October 19	4 p.m.	Board of Deacons
October 21	4 p.m.	Church Council
October 24	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
October 25	1 p.m.	Shawl Ministry
October 26	9 a.m.	Bible Study