



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine

October 24, 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.

Join our Zoom worship service by clicking on the link below (Sunday beginning at 9:15 am):

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Order of Worship
TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL PARISH OF CASTINE
Castine, Maine
Proper 25

October 24, 2021

9:30 am

Pastor:

Rev. Tim Hall

Musician:

Suzanne Eaton

Deacon:

Dianne Yates

Lector:

Ginger Snapp Cunningham

Zoom/YouTube Host:

Amy Stewart

Ministers: All Members

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)**

The Lord has filled our mouths with laughter

and our tongues with shouts of joy.

The Lord has done great things for us,

and we are glad indeed.

(Psalm 126:2 - 3)

***OPENING HYMN**

I Love to Tell the Story

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*I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory,
Of Jesus and his love,
I love to tell the story,
Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else would do.
I love to tell the story;
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.*

*I love to tell the story,
For those who know it best,
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story
That I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story;
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.*

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)**

God of light, let your Holy Spirit come into our darkness and open our hearts, that your word may show us the blessings you intend for all creation. Amen.

A TIME WITH ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You see our need when we are blind to it. You have made us to be yours. In your compassion, forgive us for our lack of faith and the harm we do to others and to your earth. Forgive us for turning away from your will, for ignoring the cries of our neighbors, and for failing to listen to what is most nourishing even for ourselves. Let our faults fall from your eyes as you open ours. Hear this and answer, dear God.

A moment for silent prayer

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (Unison)

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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

Jeremiah 31:7 - 9

⁷For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;

then it was said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us,
and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses in the Negeb.

May those who sow in tears
reap with shouts of joy.

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Hebrews 7:23 - 28

²³Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the

heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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 10:46 - 52

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

*HYMN

O Jesus, I Have Promised

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*O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou forever near me,
My master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.*

*O let me hear thee speaking
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self will;
O speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
Thou guardian of my soul.*

*O Jesus, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee
That where thou art in glory
There shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
My master and my friend.*

SERMON

What Do You Want?

Rev. Tim Hall

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offertory

***Doxology (Unison)**

**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)**

**Holy God, bless our offerings with healing that comes from your work and our hands.
We give with joy and thanks for what we have, in the name of Jesus, our great high
priest. 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 HYMNFling Out the Banner!*

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*Fling out the banner! let it float
Skyward and seaward, high and wide;
The sun that lights its shining folds,
The cross on which the Savior died.*

*Fling out the banner! let it float
Skyward and seaward, high and wide;
Our glory only in the cross,
Our only hope, the Crucified!*

*Fling out the banner! distant lands
Shall see from far the glorious sight,
And nations, crowding to be born,
Baptize their spirits in its light.*

*Fling out the banner! wide and high,
Seaward and skyward, let it shine,
Nor skill, nor might, nor merit ours,
We conquer only in that sign.*

***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 & social distancing for all persons while inside the church
building.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coming up on the Calendar

October 25	1 p.m.	Shawl Ministry
October 26	9 a.m.	Bible Study
October 28	2 p.m.	Brass Band Rehearsal
October 29	2 p.m.	No Neighbor Left Behind
October 31	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
November 2		Election Day
November 2	9 a.m.	Bible Study
November 7		Daylight Savings Time
November 7	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship