



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine

June 19, 2022

We welcome you to this Zoom worship service of the Main Street Church, developed as an alternative to in-person worship. As you join this 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
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Castine, Maine
Proper 7

June 19, 2022

9:30 am

Pastor:

Rev. Gary Hatter

Church Musician:

Suzanne Eaton

Deacon:

Barbara Cooper

Lector:

John Cunningham

Liturgist:

Ray Nualla

Zoom/YouTube Host:

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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

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

When forces in the world threaten us,

when our bodies or spirits turn against us,

there is One who seeks us,

One who meets us,

One who heals us,

whose love washes over us

and sets us free for joy.

This One is the Lord.

Come, let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN *Praise to the Lord! the Almighty, the King of Creation!

P 15

1) *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
join me in glad adoration.*

2) *Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth;
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?*

3) *Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee!*

*4) Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
Gladly for aye we adore him. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

**Holy, Holy, Holy One, your words feed us, the Word frees us, and the Spirit gives us life.
Grant our ears an appetite for hearing and our spirits strength for loving you. Amen.**

A TIME WITH ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to confess our sins and seek your mercy.
There are barren places in our lives where we have wandered far from you. We have
listened to voices that distracted us from your call. We have submitted to powers
competing for our loyalty to you. God our Savior, forgive us. Speak tenderly to us of
your presence. Feed us with your word. Deliver us from evil. Let us enter into your
kingdom; then send us out to serve you by the power of your Holy Spirit.**

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

1 Kings 19:1-15a

19Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: “It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.” ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

⁹At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁰He answered, “I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” ¹¹He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earth-quake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴He answered, “I have been

very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” ¹⁵Then the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus;”

Psalm 42 - 43

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

When shall I come and behold the face of God?

My tears have been my food day and night,

while people say to me continually, ‘Where is your God?’

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:

how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God

with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

I say to God, my rock, ‘Why have you forgotten me?

Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?

As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me,

while they say to me continually, ‘Where is your God?’

O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;

let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy;

and I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

Galatians 3:23 - 29

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Congregational Response

Spirit of the Living God

NC 283

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Luke 8:26 - 39

²⁶Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”— ²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come

out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)
30Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. 31They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. 32Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. 33Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. 34When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. 35Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. 36Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. 37Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. 38The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 39"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

*HYMN

Lift Your Head, O Martyrs, Weeping (verses 1-3)

NC 445

1) *Lift your heads, O martyrs, weeping, God our Maker still does reign!
You are daily in God's keeping, God is with you in your pain.
Rise and be of valiant heart, and with courage bear your part;
Soon again God's arms will fold you to God's loving heart and hold you.*

2) *Though the storms may rage and roil.... o'er the vast and fearful sea,
Though you cry from wretched toil,.... "O my Savior, rescue me!"
Though it seems that God does sleep, hope and trust in God still keep;
Calm your hearts though they be quaking, God is faithful, none forsaking.*

3) *Though the hills and vales be riven, once conceived by God's own hand,
Though the signs of earth and heaven signal doom in every land,
Yet, O martyrs, have no fear; ever is your helper near;
God has sought you, God has found you; God's protective wings surround you.*

SERMON

Lift Every Voice!

Rev. Gary Hatter

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)

Triune God, through Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, you bring hope to the despairing, healing to the sick, and release from bondage to all who are oppressed by sin and evil. Direct our gifts to fulfill your purpose as we await the time when all creation is one in your love, by the grace of Jesus Christ and the community of the Holy spirit. 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

In Christ There Is No East or West

NC 395

- 1) *In Christ there is no East or West,
in Christ no South or North;
But one community of love
throughout the whole wide earth.*
- 2) *In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
God's service is the golden cord
close-binding humankind.*

- 3) *In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek,
and neither slave nor free;
For men and women live in God,
and all are kin to me.*
- 4) *In Christ now meet both East and West,
in Christ meet South and North;
One joyous, true community
throughout the whole wide earth.*

*BENEDICTION

*TRIBUTE

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

P 429

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep,
O hear us when we cry to thee,
For those in peril on the sea.*

POSTLUDE Please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude.

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The Church Council continues to recommend following Maine CDC guidance. With Hancock County now rated medium-risk for covid transmission, mask wearing is optional. Masking remains advisable for individuals at higher risk for serious illness, and those with symptoms, a positive test or exposure.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Meeting

June 21 4 p.m.

Board of Deacons meeting



Village Fair

Donations to the Village Fair may be dropped off on June 23 & June 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. The Dr. Mary Cushman Circle's Village Fair begins at 9 a.m. on Sat., June 25th. See you at the Fair!