



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine
September 4, 2022

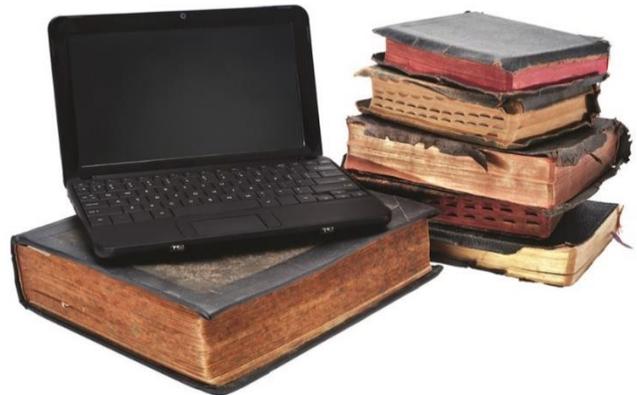
We welcome you to this Zoom worship service of the Main Street Church, developed as an alternative to in-person worship. As you join this Zoom meeting, we invite you to greet and check in with others present. The playing of the prelude signals a settling time of quiet and meditation as we prepare ourselves 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.

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

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Other Links

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The sermon text will be posted on Pastor Andi's website: www.andilloyd.com.

Order of Worship

September 4, 2022

Proper 18

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Andi Lloyd
Musician:	Suzanne Eaton
Deacon:	John Cunninghama
Lector:	Jimmy Goodson
Liturgist:	Ray Nualla
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

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF SILENCE

INTERLUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

The world belongs to God,
the Earth and all its people.

How good and how lovely it is
to live together in unity.

Love and faithfulness meet,
justice and peace embrace.

If the Lord's disciples keep silent,
these stones would shout aloud.

Open our lips, O God,
and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

from The Pattern of Our Days: Worship in the Celtic Tradition from the Iona Community

*OPENING HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King
(words & music below)

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*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (UNISON)

Blessed are you, O God! We praise you for this dappled, wondrous world. And we thank You for this Sabbath pause, in which to rest and delight in Your creation. Illumine us, God, that we might see Your reflection all around us. Guide our feet, that we might walk, always, in Your ways. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Metanoia is the Greek word translated as 'repent' in the New Testament. It literally means to think differently afterwards, or to change one's mind. And in a way, that's what confession is: a

change of mind, a change of heart. And so, we offer this prayer of confession, first aloud, in unison, and then individually, in silence.

Merciful God, our problem is not that we do not know what to do. We know. Our problem is that we fail to do it. We love with half measures and hearts divided. We fill our lives with worldly treasures that leave us empty. Forgive us, God. Gentle our hearts. Open our hands. Turn us back to You. Ready us, God, to be changed. In Jesus's name, Amen.

Silent Prayer

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“As high as heaven is over the earth, so strong is God’s love to those who fear him. And as far as sunrise is from sunset, he has separated us from our sins” (Ps. 103, The Message). Siblings in Christ, hear this good news: you are loved, and by the grace of God in Christ Jesus our Lord, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*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

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵ See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰ loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Psalm 1

¹ Happy are those
who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
**or take the path that sinners tread,
or sit in the seat of scoffers;**
² but their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law they meditate day and night.
³ **They are like trees**
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴ The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

⁵ **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;**

⁶ for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Philemon 1:1-21

¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸ For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

RESPONSE

Lead Me, Lord

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*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only
that makest me dwell in safety.*

Luke 14:25-33

²⁵ Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

SERMON

What's Left Behind

Rev. Andi Lloyd

*HYMN

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
(words & music below)

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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)

Generous God, we dedicate these gifts to you with joyful, grateful hearts. Take them, God, and bless them. We offer them with gratitude for all that you provide, and we pray that our gifts will help to spread your love, your hope, your peace to a world in need. We pray 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.

*HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table
(words & music below)

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison)

O Jesus, our beloved, we give you thanks for inviting us to your table and sharing your feast. May we know that we have been fed with love and grace, and may we follow you out in the world, ambassadors of your hope and peace. Amen.

Written by Beth Merrill Neal on her blog "*Hold Fast to What is Good.*"
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GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
(words & music below)

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interested in joining the church? Pastor Andi and the Board of Deacons will host a Q & A about membership after worship on September 11. New Member Sunday will be held in October.

NOTES

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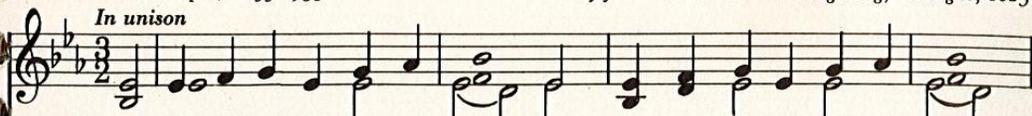
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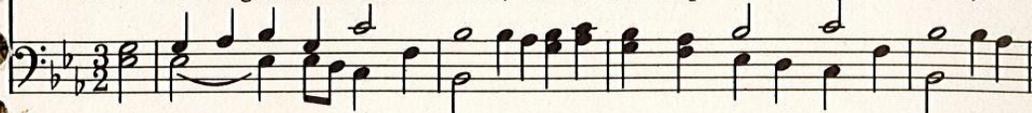
St. Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226
Tr. William H. Draper, 1855-1933

LASST UNS ERFREUEN 8.8.4.4.8.8. with Alleluias
Melody from "Geistliche Kirchengesäng," Cologne, 1623

In unison



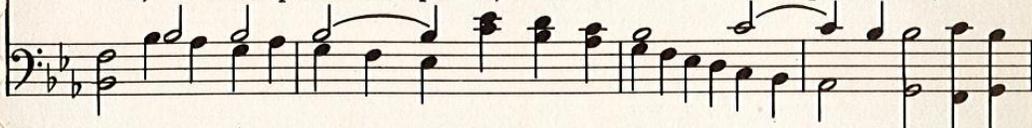
- 1 All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing
- 2 Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heaven a - long,
- 3 Thou flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, Make mu-sic for thy Lord to hear,
- 4 And all ye men of ten-der heart, For - giv-ing oth-ers, take your part,
- 5 Let all things their cre-a-tor bless, And wor-ship him in hum-ble - ness,



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en
O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn, in praise re -
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so mas - ter - ful and
O sing ye, Al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor - row
O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the



beam, Thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam, O praise him, O
joice, Ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice, O praise him, O
bright, That giv - est man both warmth and light, O praise him, O
bear, Praise God and on him cast your care. O praise him, O
Son, And praise the Spir - it, three in One. O praise him, O



praise him, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.



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WORKS IN CREATION

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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*St. 1-4, John Newton, 1779; alt.**St. 5, A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790*

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 My God has prom - ised good to me, whose
 5 When we've been here ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; God will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to

now am found, was blind but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

John Newton's autobiographical hymn reflects his conversion from his earlier existence as a slave trader. While serving as curate in the English village of Olney, Newton met William

Tune: AMAZING GRACE C.M.
 (NEW BRITAIN)
 Columbia Harmony, Cincinnati, 1829

HOLY COMMUNION

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As We Gather at Your Table

Matt. 22:1-10; Luke 14:16-24

Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1989

1 As we gath - er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
 2 Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
 send us forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is strife.
 where tri - um - phant Love will wel - come those who had been last and least.

Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
 Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave;
 There no more will en - vy bind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - tory known.
 may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
 as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

In this hymn, commissioned by an Episcopal parish in Virginia for the celebration of its tricentennial, Carl P. Daw, Jr., utilized a familiar phrase from Isaac Watts' "Joy to the World," which was the motto for the celebration: "Repeat the sounding joy."

Tune: BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7.D.
 The Sacred Harp, 1844
 Harm. The New Century Hymnal, 1992

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Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Attr. to Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847

BRADBURY 8.7.8.7.D.
William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us, Much we need thy ten - der care;
2 We are thine; do thou be - friend us; Be the guard - ian of our way;
3 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor; Ear - ly let us do thy will;

In thy pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, For our use thy folds pre - pare.
Keep thy flock; from sin de - fend us; Seek us when we go a - stray.
Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, With thy love our bos - oms fill.

Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are;
Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Hear thy chil - dren when they pray;
Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;

Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Hear thy chil - dren when they pray.
Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still. A - men.

GOSPEL CALL AND RESPONSE