



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine

June 27, 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):

[Click here to Zoom](#)

You may also choose to watch this worship service on our YouTube site:

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Other Links

Our website: www.tcpoc.org

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Order of Worship
TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL PARISH OF CASTINE
Castine, Maine
Proper 8

June 27, 2021

Pastor:

Musician:

Deacon:

Lector:

Zoom/YouTube Host:

9:30 am

Rev. Tim Hall

Suzanne Eaton

Barbara Cooper

David Adams

Amy Stewart

Ministers: All Members

GATHERING AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

We welcome you to worship in this special place. 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 unvaccinated persons. Please let the playing of the prelude signal a time of quiet and meditation as we prepare for the Word of God.

PRELUDE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERLUDE/ACOLYTE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Sing praises to God,

give thanks for God's name.

For God clothes us with strength and joy

and God turns our mourning to dancing.

*OPENING HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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*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!*

*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?*

*Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper they 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.*

*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.*

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)**

Loving God, your Word has the power to restore our lives. Open our hearts to the presence of your Spirit, for you are mighty to save. Amen.

A TIME WITH ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have sinned against you and have strayed from living wholeheartedly. Envy and fear have dulled our generosity, and we have grown mean and destructive. Forgive our sins and return us to health through the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.

A moment for silent prayer

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI (Unison)**

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

Lamentations 3:22 – 33

²²The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” ²⁵The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. ²⁷It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, ²⁸to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, ²⁹to put one’s mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), ³⁰to give one’s cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not reject forever. ³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Psalm 30

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up,
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.

O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment;
his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said in my prosperity,

“I shall never be moved.”

By your favor, O LORD,
you had established me as a strong mountain;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed.

To you, O LORD, I cried,
and to the LORD I made supplication:

“What profit is there in my death,
if I go down to the Pit?

Will the dust praise you?
Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me!

O LORD, be my helper!”

You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

2 Corinthians 8:7 – 15

⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. ⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— ¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

Congregational Response

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.*

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Mark 5:21 – 43

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.”

²⁴So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

*HYMN

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

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*Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts,
Thou 'fount of life, thou light of men,
From the best bliss that earth imparts
We turn unfilled to thee, all in all.*

*Our restless spirits yearn for thee,
Where'er our changeful lot is cast:
Glad when they gracious smile we see;
Blest when our faith can hold thee fast.*

*Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;
Thou savest those that on thee call;
To them that seek thee, thou art good;
To them that find thee, all in all.*

*O Jesus, ever with us stay;
Make all our moments calm and bright;
Chase the dark night of sin away;
Shed o'er the world thy holy light.*

SERMON

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**)

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

Celebrations & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Silent 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

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

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*Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home,*

*A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.*

*Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.*

*Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.*

*Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.*

*Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.*

*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**

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***The Flowers on our Communion Table this morning
are given to the Glory of God.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Need Your Help!

Members of our busy Board of Deacons want to remind the congregation that it takes many hands to produce our worship services each Sunday, and hope you might consider volunteering to help us show our hospitality in these important ways:

- Greeting or ushering;
- Hosting Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour) following worship;
- Providing flowers for our Communion Table; or
- Hosting our Zoom/YouTube broadcasts.

Our Deacon of the Month circulates through the congregation seeking volunteers for these and other important worship elements. You may also mention your availability to the Deacon, who is listed in your Order of Worship. Won't you join us in our joy and service?

Remembering Irene

The TCP church family is invited to a special reception celebrating the life of Irene M. Hall. The reception will take place immediately after worship services at the Main Street Church on Sunday, July 11, 2021 at 10:30 am, following worship. The reception will be held in the beautiful garden behind the church.* Irene's and Tim's sons Travis and Parker will be in attendance to meet you and hear your special "Irene" stories.

While Irene was not one for big crowds, ceremonies or memorial services, she did love fellowship and food. Thus, our reception is intended for the church congregation, family, and invited friends, and will feature some tasty treats for you to enjoy. No need to RSVP, just drop by, visit, eat, stay at long as you like, and enjoy the friendship that Irene felt in our church and our community. That's what Irene would have enjoyed the most.

* In the event of inclement weather, the reception will be held in the church vestry.

COVID Time Capsule

With the passage of time, many of us had forgotten the tragic 1918 Influenza Pandemic, which infected some 500 million people worldwide and killed more than 675,000 in the United States. But our memories were jogged when another pandemic, caused by the COVID virus, began to stalk the planet beginning in 2020. So far the pandemic has infected over 179 million people worldwide, and has caused more than 602,000 deaths right here in the U.S. This is a global event that affects everyone in some way. It is an event that should be remembered.

To that end, a group of people in the church is working on a COVID Time Capsule, which will eventually be planted in the church garden to memorialize the pandemic. We are looking for short reflections from church members and friends relating how the pandemic affected the life and ministries of the church, along with their personal recollections and memories of church and faith life in the isolation of the pandemic. We are also looking for small artifacts that remind us (and those in the future) of what it was like to live through the pandemic in our generation.

We invite you to think about this project, and submit your testimonies and ideas for artifacts to Kay Hightower khightower59@msn.com 326-8932