

First Presbyterian Church of Bordentown

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany Online Bulletin - February 5, 2023 - 10:30 AM

MUSIC FOR MEDIATION

WORDS OF WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

“Wind Beneath My Wings” (Henley-Silbar)

Bob Lowden

CALL TO WORSHIP

... Jesus proclaims, “You are the light of the world.”

Thanks be to God.

HYMN PH 438

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we have asked for your righteous judgment against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives. We have worshiped you with our lips, but have dishonored you with our actions. We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world, yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others. Our religion has become the source of quarreling rather than a testimony to your grace. Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart, that we may shine forth the light of your salvation, through Christ our Lord. *Silent prayer*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE “Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!”

PH 145, Refrain

PROCLAIMING THE WORD TOGETHER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING -- Psalm 112:1–9

SECOND READING – Matthew 5:13-20

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

SERMON

“*The Spice of Life*”

Rev. Dr. Debby Brincivall

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN PH 391

“Take My Life”

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and**

buried; he descended into Hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

PH 579

THE OFFERING

As we continue to provide support to our community during this time, we hope you will consider giving through [this link](#) or by mailing your regular tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY

“With Faith Transcending” (L. Smith)

Bob Lowden

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE and GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GOING FORTH IN GOD’S NAME TO SERVE THE LORD

HYMN 85

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

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CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Great Is The Lord” (M. Smith)

Bob Lowden

SHARING PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Welcome to our guest preacher! The Rev. Dr. “Debby” Brincivalli is the Executive Presbyter of the new Presbytery For Southern New Jersey since March, 2021. This involves care for the 59 churches and 8,000 members in our bounds in addition to caring for all clergy be they specialized, parish pastors or retired. The office of executive presbyter is one that encourages relationships and mission among churches and pastors, and is the ecumenical and interfaith dialogue representative for the presbytery, as well as providing interpretation and celebration of the connectional nature of the church. Prior to this she was the EP for the Presbytery of West Jersey for twelve years. For the previous 23 years she was the pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Burlington. She is married to James Adcock.

Also serving this Lord’s day: Interim Director of Music Ministry Caryl Tipton; Accompanist Robert Lowden; Liturgist Johanna Heine.

Please use the Joys and Concerns card in your pew for any prayer requests.

Our annual congregational and corporation meeting will be held this Sunday, February 5, immediately following worship. The Annual Report was sent via email to all active and affiliate members who have email addresses. We will also have a limited number of printed copies available today.

Please pick up your 2023 offering envelopes and your 2022 Giving Statements on the back counter/table in the sanctuary.

Join us for Fellowship Time following worship. Please consider signing up to host, on your own or with a buddy. Contact Candy Walling to volunteer at (609) 298-2581.

We are truly grateful that pastoral care will be provided by Rev. Terry Fouse. If you are in need, please contact him at 609-585-3248 (h) or 609-540-4035 (c).

If you are in need of assistance with housekeeping, grocery shopping, laundry or meal preparation, please contact Judie Martin. We currently have someone working with a homebound church member who is looking for more work hours. Interested people would be responsible for checking references and setting up an interview.

Struggling or do you know someone in our church family who is? Our Congregational Care Team would love to offer support. Please reach out to Judie Martin @ (609) 505-0068 if you, or someone you know, could use help and support.

If anyone needs a portable oxygen unit you can contact the office.

St. Mary’s Food Pantry Current Needs - soap, cereal, juice, canned pears, soup. You may place donations in right basket at rear of sanctuary OR drop them off when the pantry is open. Thanks for your continued support and generosity. To learn more, visit: <http://mmotcp.org/food-pantry>.

Please Remember in Your Prayers – From the “Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study”:
Remember Our Chaplains – Presbyterian Federal Chaplaincies; First Presbyterian Church of Mayfield; Lack of grace?; Doubts and faith; Thursdays in Black; Rev. Mary Newbern-Williams, gap executive presbyter, New York City Presbytery; Presbyterian School of Kabuga in Rwanda plant trees

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Blest Be the Tie That Binds

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DENNIS SM

Johann Georg Nägeli (1773-1836)

Arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

John Fawcett, 1782

1. Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris-tian love:
2. Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
3. We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4. From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free;

The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com-forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz-ing tear.
And per - fect love and friend-ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's."

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LIFE IN CHRIST

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Take My Life

HENDON 7.7.7.7

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874

H. A. César Malan, 1827

1. Take my life, and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.
 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love.
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, Al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;

Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in
 Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau - ti -
 Take my lips, and let them be Filled with mes - sa -
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - ery power as

cease - less praise, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 ges from Thee, Filled with mes - sa - ges from Thee.
 Thou shalt choose, Ev - ery power as Thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it Thine;
 It shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is Thine own;
 It shall be Thy royal throne,
 It shall be Thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 At Thy feet its treasure store.
 Take myself, and I will be
 Ever, only, all for Thee,
 Ever, only, all for Thee.

***What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the *heavy cross for my soul!***

***To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!***

***And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.
And through eternity I'll sing on.***

****dreadful curse***

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