

Order of Worship/Announcements
Sunday, July 19, 2020
OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE
10:00 a.m.

Gathering Music Blessed Assurance Donna Banes

Welcome Pastor Tom Korkuch

Call to Worship Robin Webb

Leader: Let us worship the eternal God, the Source of Love and Life who creates us.

People: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the Risen, who lives among us.

Leader: Let us worship the Spirit, the Holy Fire, who renews us.

All: To the one true God be praise in all times and places,
through the grace of Jesus Christ.

Psalter Reading Psalm 86:11-17

Pastoral Prayer Pastor HeyYoung Horton

Music Ministry Lord I Lift Your Name on High
Victory in Jesus
(Words to songs printed)

New Testament Reading Romans 8:14-17 Pastor Tom Korkuch

Sermon "Swimming Around in the Same Old Circle"

Pastor Tom Korkuch

Liturgy for Holy Communion

Closing Music Wonderful Grace of Jesus
Revival Fire, Fall

Benediction

Sending Music Standing on the Promises

SONGS FOR JULY 19, 2020

LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH (By Rick Founds)
Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing Your praises;
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.
Chorus: You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
from the earth to the cross my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high. (1989 Marantha! Music)

VICTORY IN JESUS (by Eugene M. Bartlett)

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
how he gave his life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;
I heard about his groaning, of his precious blood's atoning,
then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

Refrain: O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!

He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;
he loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due him;
he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about his healing, of his cleansing power revealing,
how he made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;
and then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit,"
and somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory. Refrain.

I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory,
and I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;
about the angels singing and the old redemption story,
and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. Refrain (1939 Albert Brumley & Sons,
Inc.)

WONDERFUL GRACE OF JESUS

Wonderful grace of Jesus, Greater than all my sin;
How shall my tongue describe it? Where shall its praise begin?
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free;
And the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

(Chorus) Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus deeper than the mighty rolling sea;
Higher than a mountain, sparkling like a fountain; All sufficient grace for even me.
Broader than the scope of my transgressions, Greater far than all my sin and shame.
Oh magnify the precious name of Jesus, Praise His name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus, Reaching to all the lost,
By it I have been pardoned, Saved to the uttermost,
Chains have been torn asunder, Giving me liberty
And the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. (Chorus)

Wonderful grace of Jesus, Reaching the most defiled,
By its transforming power, Making them God's dear child,
Purchasing peace and heaven, For all eternity;
And the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. (Chorus) (Public Domain)

REVIVAL FIRE, FALL (by Paul Baloche)

Leader: As we lift up Your name, (echo)
let Your fire fall; (echo)
Send Your wind and Your rain, (echo)
on Your wings of love. (echo)

All: Pour out from heaven Your passion and presence,
bring down Your burning desire.

Chorus: Revival fire, fall, revival fire, fall; Fall on us here in the pow'r of Your Spirit,
Father, let revival fall. Revival fire, fall, revival fire, fall: Let the flame consume us with hearts
ablaze for Jesus, Father, let revival fire fall.

Leader: As we lift up Your name, (echo)
let Your kingdom come; (echo)
Have Your way in this place (echo)
let Your will be done. (echo)

All: Pour out from heaven Your passion and presence,
bring down Your burning desire. Chorus: (1996 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

STANDING ON THE PROMISES (By R. Kelso Carter)

Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.

Refrain: Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God. (Refrain)

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God. (Refrain)

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all, standing on the promises of God. (Refrain) (Public
Domain)

FOR MORE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FIRST CHURCH,
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(Please email the church office if you would like a church event posted to
Joan@meetwithGod.com)

PRAYER CONCERNS: Marilyn MacRae, Anne Grogan (daughter of Dee Dee Langshaw), Audrey Cutone (mother of Jay Taylor), Barbara Engelbrecht, Sue Geissler (friend of Melissa O'Donnell), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), John Chwastyk (husband of Kim), Mary Raroaha, Jessica (niece of the Hoffners), Nancy (mother of Denise Gatton), Matthew Valentino (family friend of Tracey & Michael Gural), Dot Nemeth, Gloria-Jean Opperman, John & Catharine Carty, Sue Mitchell, Bob (friend of the Hoffners), Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Victoria Veldon (daughter-in-law of Joe & Carol Veldon).

STAY CONNECTED – Our virtual coffee hour continues to meet on Tuesdays at 2pm. For those who did not yet sign up for this, email Pastor Hey Young (Heyyoung@meetwithGod.com) for the invitation. Those who already sent her an email you do not need to ask for an invitation again, it will be sent out automatically.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GRIEVE ALONE. All of us grieve in our own way when we lose a loved one. Sometimes the simple act of meeting and talking with others in a comfortable and mutually supportive environment can be beneficial. The Samaritan Center for Grief Support and First UMC of Moorestown are offering Sharing in Grief & Hope Online Support Group. "Sharing in Grief & Hope" is a six-week support group for any adult who has lost a family member or friend. This group will explore the loss experience with focus on emotions, coping styles, family and cultural messages about grief and mourning, while being mindful of providing memorializing opportunities. This group meets online Wednesdays and runs through August 12 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM – Zoom Meeting. Registration is required at 856-596-8550 or CFGcounseling@SamaritanNJ.org or Contact Pastor HeyYoung Horton at 856-235-0450.

THE FUMC BLESSING CHALLENGE is underway! Already 15 FUMC members have been given \$100.00 to develop and conduct an act of kindness in Jesus' name. They will later share their story of blessing with our congregation in writing or video. Be a part of the Blessing Challenge – bless someone, be blessed and share your story! Sign up at missions@meetwithGod.com and we will get you started right away.

FARM TO TABLE IN FUMC's NEW GARDEN! – You can be part of this by claiming your own garden space or your own plot in the FUMC church garden. There are garden plots now ready for your plantings for the summer months. Topsoil was donated by Leonberg Nursery and there is watering available. Get yourself 'grounded' by digging in the dirt to produce some good results. We can even help you donate your produce to local food banks. Email Kerry Mentzer, kmentzer@me.com or Lisa Kulp, trklkk@comcast.net if interested.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Do you have a few hours to spare and enjoy the outdoors? We are looking for additional volunteers to help with gardening on the church property. Traditionally people have been gathering Tuesday morning however anytime you have available would be welcomed. Please contact Ellen Bleidorn at 856-278-7829 or ebleidorn1@comcast.net if you are interested.

“GIFTS AND TALENTS NEEDED - Videographer. FUMC Communications Team is looking for people to assist in taking and editing videos and adding subtitles and/or music, for posting on our website, Facebook Page and other social media. Please contact Pattie Gritzan at pgritzan2@verizon.net for more information.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP - Before COVID-19 interrupted our live worship, we had a small group meeting on Sunday mornings after the 9:30 service to talk about the sermon. If there is interest, we could resume these sermon discussions during the summer using Zoom or some other virtual meeting platform. If you would be interested in doing this, please contact Al Cope via email at bigal8555@gmail.com.

“LINK UP WITH PASTOR TOM”

Beginning Wednesday, July 29 at 4:00 PM, Pastor Tom will be offering occasional ZOOM meetings for anyone in the congregation who would like to join in! The purpose of these “link-up” gatherings is to engage in conversation, ask questions, express concerns, and generally just to connect with the pastor (especially during this time). If you’d like to participate, just email Pastor Tom and a ZOOM link will be sent to you.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – Membership & Financial Secretary. We are seeking a Membership and Financial Secretary to provide church office and administrative support to our pastors and staff, coordinate church membership activities, and to assist the church Finance Committee in administering the day-to-day bookkeeping and payroll functions of the church. If you, or anyone you know may be interested in this position, visit our website at www.meetwithGod.com under “Employment Opportunity” for a description of the job and the qualifications and send a note of interest and resume to the First Church Staff-Parish Relations Committee: sprc@meetwithGod.com.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE #2 - Our second outdoor worship service will be held on Sunday, August 16th at 10:00 a.m. on the church grounds – even as we continue to post worship movies on a weekly basis. Masks and social distancing will be required. Please feel

free to bring lawn chairs to sit on as well. Umbrellas would also be advisable. If there is inclement weather, new dates will be announced. A simple order of worship for both dates will be sent to the congregation in advance.

FUMC UNEMPLOYED MINISTRY – If you or someone you know is unemployed, furloughed or simply looking to switch jobs or careers, contact the FUMC group for unemployed/furloughed adults. We can provide inspiration and support (maybe some blessings, too) in these challenging times through idea sharing, meetings and other resources. For more information, contact Susan Rapp at srapp716@yahoo.com, 856-727-1730.

CALL TO ACTION: Capital 2020 Prayer Pilgrimage

“Again, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are connected in mind and spirit in my name, there am I among them.”

Matthew 18:19-20 (PAR)

Dear siblings in Christ,

May the grace and peace of God be with you.

We are in a season of change – whether we like it or not. We can resist it, or we can embrace it. I choose to embrace the changes unfolding as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. During this time of constant adaptation, God is inviting us, not only to tackle the technical challenges associated with doing church online and gradually reopening our buildings, but also to enter into a season of deep transformation and growth as disciples and congregations, that results in a district-wide revival.

Following the lead of the Holy Spirit, I invite all Capital congregations to join me in a seven-week prayer pilgrimage. Together, we will pray for a revived faith experience, passionate discipleship, and amplified missional impact in and through all our congregations.

Each week, we will join in praying for a specific area. This journey will require humility. Some of our focused prayer will be exciting, yet at times, when challenged, we will be tempted to give up and continue living our discipleship and doing ministry business as usual. I encourage all to persevere in prayer and abundant blessings will await you each step of the way.

WEEK 1 (July 19-25) Pray for clergy, congregational leaders and members to take full responsibility for their faith journey. Followers of Christ that fully embrace the reality of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20), the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:35-40) and Jesus New Commandment (John 13:31-35) for their lives, will shape congregations that don't just survive and live but instead thrive and grow.

WEEK 2 (July 26-Aug 1) Pray for a prayer movement to ignite in your life and congregation. Revival begins and materializes when passionate and committed prayer warriors, emboldened by the Holy Spirit, intercede persistently on behalf of other disciples and their congregation. Prayer warriors are disciples who not only believe in the power of prayer but who also seek to mobilize others to fight in the battle of spiritual warfare with them. Powerful prayer is not dependent on theological leaning, but in a growing relationship with the living Christ. Don't know who the prayer warriors are in your congregation? Ask God to reveal it to you. Are you a prayer warrior? Let your pastor know. Encourage your prayer warriors. Support them. Pray with and for them. Pray without ceasing, until something great happens, and then, continue praying. Matthew 18:19-20

WEEK 3 (Aug 2-Aug 8) Pray for deliverance from the traps of outdated/obsolete traditions. Tradition is not evil. Indeed, they can carry generations of positive messages and legacies. Where traditions become a fixation or obsession they often become issues of idolatry. They become more important than sharing the gospel message, reaching people, serving the community, and making positive changes to make a difference. Mark 7:1-13

WEEK 4 (Aug 9-Aug 15) Pray for the courage and wisdom to confront toxicity in your congregation, in love. Toxic members distract churches from remaining focused on the mission, which eventually causes disunity and decline. Dealing with toxic church members is exceedingly difficult. But not dealing with them assures unhealthy conflict and decline. Matthew 18:15-17

WEEK 5 (Aug 16-Aug 22) Pray for healing from the silver bullet syndrome – the compulsive desire for easy and quick solutions to life and ministry difficult challenges (“If only we had...”). We cannot wait for some magical or mystical solution to address issues. In God's power, we are called to move forward with prayerful grit, determination and obedience trusting God's guidance. Acts 1:8 / 2 Timothy 1:7

WEEK 6 (Aug 23-Aug 29) Pray for a renewed expectation that our individual and collective witness and ministry in the community will bear abundant fruits (that God will show up and do something amazing in our midst). Disciples come together in community to worship and grow in their faith. Disciples reach others with the gospel. Disciples are involved in ministry, service and missions. Disciples give generously to support the vision of the church and meet the needs in the community. It's time to set bold goals, keep track of our progress and hold each other accountable to the vision and mission of the church. Numbers and metrics are not our enemy. They help us measure progress and are a good tool for mutual accountability. Matthew 28:16-20 / John 15:1-5

WEEK 7 (Aug 30-Sept 5) Pray for a revolution on the understanding and practice of church membership. Church membership is valid, and biblical. In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul tells the church “Now, you are the body of Christ, and individual members of it.” Membership is not having names on a roll. Membership is about belonging and contributing. Membership has meaning and

deep relevance to the reign of God. In the United Methodist Church, members make a lifelong commitment to: confess Jesus Christ as Savior, put their whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as their Lord; to remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world; to be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church and do all in their power to strengthen its ministries; to faithfully participate in its ministries by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness; to receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Imagine what will happen when all local church members practice their membership vows – a revolution of love. Revival. 1 Corinthians 12:1-28 / Acts 2:43-47

Are you a prayer warrior? Join the Capital District Prayer Team today. We are building a group of passionate disciples that will surround the vision and ministry, clergy, laity and congregations of the district in prayer. Join by emailing Megan McKay in the district office (mmckay@gnjumc.org) with your name, church and email address.

We are in a season of change, and something great is going to happen – for the glory of God!

Together in mission,

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