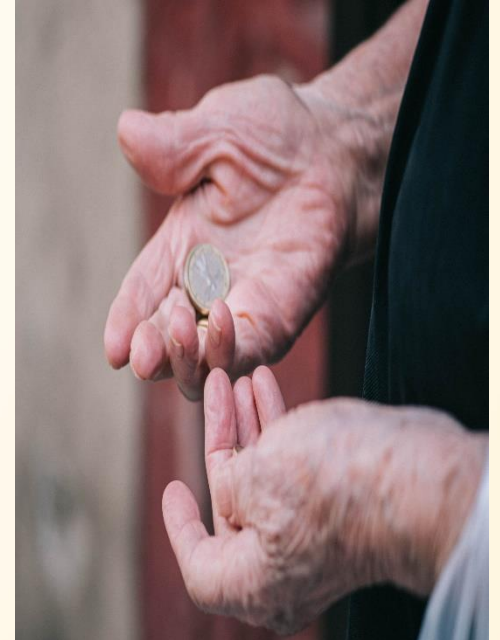


WORSHIP SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

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November 10, 2024
Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost
10:00 AM



PRELUDE

Trish Conover, Music Director

The Healing Balm of Prayer

David Paxton

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Christian Life Group will meet following worship today in the Blue Room.
- Facilities meeting Monday evening, 11/11, 7 pm
- Worship meeting Tuesday evening, 11/12, 7 pm via Zoom.
- Bible Study for Everyone, Wednesday morning, 11/13, 11 am.
- OPEN HOUSE to tour our preschool building next Sunday, 11/17, following worship!

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Happy are those whose hope is in God,
maker of heaven and earth--

MANY: for God keeps faith forever!

ONE: God executes justice for the oppressed
and gives food for the hungry.

**MANY: God sets the prisoners free
and opens the eyes of the blind.**

ONE: God lifts up those who are bowed down.

**MANY: God watches over the strangers
and upholds the orphan and the widow.**

ONE: People of God, sing praise to the One who is your help—

MANY: for God keeps faith forever!

HYMN# 10

Sing Glory to the Name of God

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Sing glory to the name of God, whose holy splendor shines
Abroad . Enthroned above the
Crashing waves, the God of grace and glory saves.**

**Alleluia, allelulia! Allelulia,
Allelulia, allelulia!**

**The name of God is full might: resounding thunder, flashing
Light. The wilderness cannot
Contain the echoes of the great refrain:**

**Alleluia, allelulia! Allelulia,
Allelulia, allelulia!**

**The name of God is wild and free, a whirl holy
Mystery. A secret wrapped in
Smoke and fire, still chanted by temple choir:**

**Alleluia, allelulia! Allelulia,
Allelulia, allelulia!**

**My God forever be our peace; may hymns of glory never
Cease. Let all the faithful
People come; sing praise to God the Three-in-One:**

**Alleluia, allelulia! Allelulia,
Allelulia, allelulia!**

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (based on Mark 12:42-43)

ONE: There are times, O God,
bereft of your worthiness,
widowed of your claim,
we think we have nothing to offer.

**MANY: A woman put in two cents,
and two thousand years later
we remember her.**

ONE: “She has put in all she has,”
Jesus said: what she had,
not what she didn’t have.

MANY: Remind us that our lack means nothing;
our poverty, to You, is not real.
What we have is precious.

ONE: What we have is not “enough,”
for “enough” is measured. No, it’s perfect.

MANY: Show us what gifts we have.
Remind us that even the merest penny
is a blessing.

ONE: May we learn to give it with love

MANY: In the heart of God, may it shine like gold. Amen

We pause for a moment of silent personal confession

RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE of PARDON

ONE: This is the good news:
there is always enough in God's kingdom.
God graces everyone with the same gifts:
mercy, restoration, new life.

MANY: **God has kept the covenant.**
We have been forgiven,
we have been made new people.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN #582:

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me *GLORY TO GOD*

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.**

World without end, without end. Amen.

**World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without
end. Amen.**

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 12:38-44

SERMON

No Superheroes Here

Rev. Judith A Dwyer



HYMN #697

Take My Life and Let It Be

HENDON

**Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

**Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.**

**Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose,
Every power as Thou shalt choose.**

**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.**

**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.**

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DOXOLOGY and PRAYER of DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS and CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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 and ever. Amen.

HYMN #331

GOD OF AGES, WHOSE MIGHTY HAND

NATIONAL HYMN

God of the ages, whose almighty

Hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band

Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,

Our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

**Thy love divine hath led us in the
Past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, and stay:
Thy word our law, thy path our chose way.**

From war's alarm, from deadly pestilence,

Be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.

Thy true religion in our hearts increase.

Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

**Refresh thy people on the or toilsome
Way. Lead us from night to never ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.**

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

ONE: God sends us out into the world.

MANY: We will gather up God's children and bring them to the lap of grace.

ONE: Jesus invites us to watch with him.

MANY: We will notice those who give from their scarcity, challenging us to offer our abundance to those in need.

ONE: The Spirit clothes us with grace.

MANY: We will go forth to welcome all we meet into our hearts.

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord

Trish Conover, Music Director

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