

COMMUNION SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

SIMPLE GIFTS WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 3, 2022

10:00 AM

*“...Since faith alone suffices for salvation,
I need nothing except faith...
Lo, this is the inestimable power and liberty of Christians.”*

~ Martin Luther's Treatise on Christian Liberty,
“The Freedom of a Christian,” 1520

This Morning's Guest Musician:

Helen Soultoukis

We welcome Helen Paine Soultoukis to our piano bench today! Helen is a graduate of West Chester University and Temple University with a Masters in Music Education. She was a music teacher for over 30 years in the Philadelphia School District at the elementary level and has been the organist at the St. George Cathedral & Greek Orthodox Church in Elkins Park for a number of years. Helen speaks Greek fluently!

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunday Breakfast Rescue Mission Blanket Group, Wednesday (7/6) at 10 AM.

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Come all who are weary of wealth, of poverty, of power, of struggle, of division.

MANY: Come all who are heavy-laden with too much, with too little, with anxiety, with fear, with anger.

ONE: Come all who have hope for liberation, for peace, for freedom, for the kingdom.

MANY: Hear these words, "See, I am making all things new."

HYMN

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

MATERNA

**O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!**

**O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw;
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!**

**O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And every gain divine!**

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-15

REFLECTIONS ON THE FREEDOM OF A CHRISTIAN

OFFERING SENTENCE

MUSICAL OFFERING

Amazing Grace

Steve Cocchia, Corinne Kauermann
and Helen Soutoukis

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Invitation

Words of Institution

Distribution

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer (Sung)

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.

HYMN

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

**Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bade the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Savior, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid the rage did sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Holy Spirit, who did brood
Upon the chaos wild and rude,
And bid its angry tumult cease,
And gave for fierce confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Trinity of love and power,
All travelers guard in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire, and foe,
Protect them where-so-e'er they go;
Thus, evermore shall rise to thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.**

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Medley for the 4th

WORSHIP NOTES:

The **Call to Worship** is posted on the Worship Leader's Guidebook blog.

The **Invitation to the Table** was written by Johnny Baker, and posted on **jonnybaker**.

<http://jonnybaker.blogs.com/jonnybaker/2013/10/your-grace-is-enough.html>

The **Prayer of Thanksgiving** was written by Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy, Pastor at First Church Congregational, Rochester, NH. She blogs at <http://sermonizing.wordpress.com>

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