

WORSHIP SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

Worship Service
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 13, 2025
10:00 AM

PRELUDE

Mike Pugh

Wonderful Maker by Jeremy Camp

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pam Kemper

- Welcome back to Rev. Chuck Arnold!
- Tuesday July 15, 7pm - Session meeting including newly elected elders.

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: God of justice,
your word is light and truth.

**MANY: Let your face shine on us to restore us,
that we may walk in your way,
seeking justice and doing good. Amen.**

Hymn #307: God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness;
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore.
Let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Divine Judge, you framed the earth with love and mercy and declared it good; yet we, desiring to justify ourselves, judge others harshly, without knowledge or understanding. Keep us faithful in prayer that we may be filled with the knowledge of your will, and not ignore or pass by another's need, but plumb the depths of love in showing mercy.

(We pause for a moment of silent, personal confession).

RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Lord God, friend of those in need,
your Son Jesus has untied our burdens
and healed our spirits.

Amen.

Hymn #582: Glory to God

1) 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, Amen!

2) World without end, without end, Amen! (x3)

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS:

Psalm 82 (page 921 in the pew Bible)

SERMON

Rev. Chuck Arnold

Hymn #343: Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life (1,2,5,6)

1 Where cross the crowded ways of life,
where sound the cries of race and clan,
above the noise of selfish strife,
we hear your voice, O Son of Man.

2 In haunts of wretchedness and need,
on shadowed thresholds fraught with fears,
from paths where hide the lures of greed,
we catch the vision of your tears.

5 O Master, from the mountainside,
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide;
O tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
and follow where your feet have trod;
till glorious from your heaven above
shall come the city of our God

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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Special Music:

Mike Pugh

Sing My Way Back by Steffany Gratzinger

DOXOLOGY (#606) 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. Amen.

Hymn #761: Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Called as partners in Christ's service
Called to ministries of grace
We respond with deep commitment
Fresh new lines of faith to trace
May we learn the art of sharing
Side by side and friend with friend
Equal partners in our caring
To fulfil God's chosen end

Christ's example Christ's inspiring
Christ's clear call to work and worth
Let us follow never faltering
Reconciling folk on earth
Men and women richer poorer
All God's people young and old
Blending human skills together
Gracious gifts from God unfold

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission
In a small or global sense
Help us bear each other's burdens
Breaking down each wall or fence
Words of comfort words of vision
Words of challenge said with care
Bring new power and strength for action
Make us colleagues free and fair

So God grant us for tomorrow
Ways to order human life
That surround each person's sorrow
With a calm that conquers strife
Make us partners in our living
Our compassion to increase
Messengers of faith thus giving
Hope and confidence and peace

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Trish Conover

WORSHIP NOTES:

Reverend Charles (Chuck) Arnold was born in New York City and grew up in northern New Jersey. He served 40 years in the military in the United States Marine Corps (with deployments to Cuba and Vietnam) and the New Jersey National Guard. He has also worked in mental health for the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Presently, he is the “on call” pastor at the Washington Crossing Veterans Cemetery and serves as a Chaplain at the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Yardley. As of February 2025, Chuck has completed 60 years serving in a military capacity. Pastor Chuck received his initial Pastoral Recognition in 1986. In 2011 he received his formal Ordination at Crossing Community church. He served at Grace Point church in Newtown from 2014-2021 as Pastor of Care Ministries. Chuck and his wife Annette have three grown children and three grandchildren. Chuck enjoys baseball, traveling and running 5K races.