Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church (USA) 9th Sunday of Pentecost July 25, 2021



Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...

...seasons of life

...seasons of the year

...seasons of our growth as Christians

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

TOLLING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diane Means, Elder Clerk of Session

PRELUDE

*Majesty*Michael Melnikov, Piano

Jack W. Hayford

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God

Response: And the Word was God.

Leader: This is the day which the Lord has made

Response: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

*HYMN #356 (All Verses) Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing R. ROBINSON

1 Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love! 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Diane Means

For God so loved the world that He gave the only begotten Son, what whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Diane Means

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and turned from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.

O God, in your great mercy, forgive our sin, and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. A - men, A - men.

OFFERTORY

All Glory Be to God on High Michael Melnikov, Organ

Friedrich W. Zachau (1663-1712)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

OLD TESTAMENT

Diane Means

Jeremiah 31:27-34 (NRSV)

²⁷The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. ²⁸And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. ²⁹In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge."

³⁰But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

EPISTLE Diane Means

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (NRSV)

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

¹In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

GOSPEL Rev. Tom Brackbill

Luke 18:1-8

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Thanks be to God!

**HYMN #339 (All Verses)*

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

3 Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

Go Now In Peace, Never Be Afraid.
God Will Go With You, Each Hour Of Every Day.
Go Now In Faith, Steadfast, Strong And True.
Know He Will Guide You In All You Do.
Go Now In Love, And Show You Believe.
Reach Out To Others, So All The World Can See.
God Will Be There, Watching From Above.
Go Now In Peace, In Faith, And In Love.
Amen, Amen, Amen.

POSTLUDE

Preludium in C-Minor Michael Melnikov, Organ J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Following service, please join us in Silver Hall for coffee and fellowship.

We are pleased to welcome back **Rev. Tom Brackbill** as our pulpit supply today. Rev. Brackbill is an honorably retired Pastor in the PC(USA). A graduate of Maryville College (TN) and Princeton Seminary, Tom has served churches in Georgia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, and Michigan, from which he retired in 2018. Tom currently serves as Parish Associate at Faith Presbyterian Church in Cape Coral.

^{*}Denotes standing, if able.

Prayer Guide — July 25, 2021

Please pray for...

- Nancy Bryant George
- Jean Shell
- John & Julianna Beal
- Sheila Simpson
- Miffie Greer
- Jessica Holmes
- Roy O'Doherty
- Jim & Lorri Marshall
- Mary Lou Dietz
- Bill & Sandy Peters
- Sandy DeJonge
- Bill Figgins
- Jim
- Michelle
- Coen Holmes & Family
- Vann Turner
- Bill Mouw
- Cheryl Bredin
- Harry Willard
- Marie, Jeanne, Aubrey & Stefan
- Linda Brown

- The Bob Horning Family
- Amy Bell Finiki
- John Berkenpas
- Alta Nodland
- Drew Vandlen
- Jim Silvernail
- Audrey Berkenpas
- Joy Booth
- Maria Werner
- Chris M.
- Aubrey
- Peggy Huff
- David Conrad
- Graelie Grant
- Josh Stevens, USN
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Bob & Ginny Lemire
- Bushnell Family
- Fasick, Bennett, Rhodus & Eggar Families
- Sidok Family

- Chris Foster
- Kathy Frazee
- Linda Hinrichs
- Brad & Pam Cox
- Deb, Connie, Alan
- Greg Beller
- Craig Allen
- Lauren & Marilyn Kamm
- Jarrod Karnes
- Katie Spyke
- Haas Family
- Jay Dishnow
- Merlyn O'Malley
- Doris Lynch
- R.J. & Family
- Tim & Karen
- LaCombe Families
- Unspoken

Staff: Michael Melnikov, Director of Music/Organist Denise Armstrong, Office Administrator Philip Jordan, Facilities Manager Darren Harkulich, Sexton

The Rev. Don Jafvert, Pastor Emeritus

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