

Chapel by the Sea
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Day of Pentecost
May 23, 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

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

PRELUDE

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Onward, Christian Soldiers*

John B. Dykes
Sir Arthur Sullivan

Chapel Chimers

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Peace be with you

All: And also with you.

One: Mighty wind of God,

All: Blow through this place.

One: Stir us to praise,

All: Lift us from despair.

One: Holy fire of God,

All: Enliven our spirits,

One: Heat up our compassion,

All: Burn away our fear.

One: Mighty wind and holy fire,

All: Revive us again!

¹I sing the mighty power of God
That made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad
And built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
The sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command,
And all the stars obey.

²I sing the goodness of the Lord
That filled the earth with food;
God formed the creatures with a word
And then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed,
Where'er I turn my eyes;
If I survey the ground I tread,
Or gaze upon the skies!

³There's not a plant or flower below
But makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
By order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee
Is ever in Thy care,
And everywhere that we can be,
Thou, God, art present there.

CALL TO RENEWAL (I John 1:8-9)

Dr. Adkison

“If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Let us confess our sins to God and to one another....

Our Father in Heaven, you know us from the beginning. You see in us more good and beauty than we have dared to believe. You beckon us to do more than we have dared to try. Forever you call our names. But we have filled our ears with the sounds of the world; we have timidly spoken of your great love; we have doubted the gifts hidden within each of us.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy and forgive us. Searcher of hearts, shine your forgiving light into our hesitancy, and embolden us to live with such joy that all the world may know of your love. Let it be so. Amen.

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Dr. Adkison

As far as the east is from the west, so have our sins been separated from us. My friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel and be at peace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!
(Please rise and let us sing)

**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

Holy Spirit
Michael Melnikov, Piano

Traditional

**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.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 2:1-4 (NIV)

¹When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Acts 2:42-47 (NIV)

⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

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!

SERMON

"A New Harvest"

Dr. Adkison

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

For the purpose of officially dissolving the pastoral relationship between Chapel by the Sea and Pastor Steve.

LITANY OF FAREWELL

Leader: The congregation of Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church called the Reverend Stephen D. Adkison to be its Pastor on Sunday, June 1, 2014. The congregation and Reverend Adkison entered a covenant to be pastor and people, prayerfully sharing together in worship, fellowship, and service. Today, Stephen's season of ministry among us comes to an end and we recognize that this covenant relationship is now complete.

Pastor Adkison: I thank the members of Chapel by the Sea for the love, kindness, and support shown to me these past seven years. I am grateful for the ways my ministry has been accepted and I ask your forgiveness for any mistakes and oversights I have made. As I leave, I take with me all that I have learned from you, as well as many fond memories and cherished friendships. I ask that you join me in recognizing that the covenant made between us is now complete.

Congregation: We thank you for your faithful leadership during these seven years as our pastor. We join you in giving thanks for the good work we have done together. We receive your thankfulness, offer our forgiveness, and accept that you now leave to serve as the Pastor of Shelter Island Presbyterian Church in Shelter Island, New York.

Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will not leave us at your departure. In our parting, we ask for your gracious forgiveness for the mistakes and oversights we have made as a congregation.

Pastor Adkison: I forgive you and accept your gratitude, trusting that both our time together in ministry and our parting are pleasing to God.

Leader: Do you, the members and friends of Chapel by the Sea, release Stephen from his duties as your pastor and do you accept the reality of the dissolution of this pastoral relationship?

Congregation: We do, with the help of our God.

Leader: Do you offer Stephen your prayers of encouragement as his ministry unfolds among the life and ministry of Shelter Island Presbyterian Church?

Congregation: We do, with the help of our God.

Leader: Stephen, do you release the members of this congregation from their reliance on your spiritual gifts and graces as well as your ministry in their midst, and do you relinquish your role as pastor of these people?

Pastor Adkison: I do, with the help of our God.

Leader: Do you, the members and friends of this congregation, relinquish your relationship with Stephen as your pastor?

Congregation: We do, with the help of our God.

Leader: On behalf of the Session, the congregation, and Pastor Adkison, I witness the words we have spoken to each other – words of thankfulness, forgiveness, and release. I ask you, Stephen, and the members and friends of Chapel by the Sea, to continue to hold one another in prayer and pledge your support of the transitions signified by this service. May God bless all of us and our service to Christ and to his church.

The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with us all.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Leader: Let us join together in prayer.

All Together: Gracious and loving God, whose everlasting love for all people is trustworthy, help us to trust the future, which rests securely in your care. The time we were together in your name saw our laughter and tears and our hopes and disappointments. Guide us as we cherish these memories and relationships in our hearts as we travel in new directions.

We pray in the name of Jesus, our Christ, the Lord and Savior of our lives...amen.

Pastor Adkison: Friends in Christ, let us go out into the world in peace – this day and every day – serving the Lord, our God, with faithfulness. And may the God of hope give you joy and peace in believing and grant you the vision and courage to meet the challenge of each new day.

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit...

All Together: Thanks be to God...amen.

¹Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

²Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

³Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

⁴Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

BENEDICTION

Dr. Adkison

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

Go Now In Peace

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**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

Toccata
Michael Melnikov, Organ

D. Buxtehude

After the worship service, we will say goodbye to the Adkison Family. Join us to bid...

FAREWELL TO PASTOR STEVE & AMY
WITH
CUPCAKES & CARDS IN SILVER HALL

The Chapel Community wishes Steve and Amy God's speed and blessings on their new journey.

*Denote standing, if able.

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Prayer Guide — May 23, 2021

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” --Philippians 4:6-7

Please pray for...

- Chris Blackmer Family
- Nancy Bryant George
- Jean Shell
- John & Julianna Beal
- Sheila Simpson
- Miffie Greer
- Jessica Holmes
- Roy O’Doherty
- The Adkison Family
- Emily Porter
- Jim & Lorri Marshall
- Mary Lou Dietz
- Bill & Sandy Peters
- Sandy DeJonge
- Bill Figgins
- Jim
- Michelle
- Coen Holmes & Family
- Vann Turner
- Jack & Julia Palmer
- Bill
- Bill Mouw
- Cheryl Bredin
- Sue Brady
- Harry Willard
- Marie, Jeanne, Aubrey & Stefan
- Linda Brown
- The Bob Horning Family
- Amy Bell Finiki
- John Berkenpas
- Alta Nodland
- Karin, Penny & Matt & Families
- Drew Vandlen
- Jim Silvernail
- Audrey Berkenpas
- Joy Booth
- Maria Werner
- Chris M.
- Amanda volunteering in Africa
- Aubrey
- Peggy Huff
- David Conrad
- Graeie 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

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