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Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Year B
November 7, 2021



Usher The Bell is Rung

Mike Welcoming...

Good morning, all and welcome to this morning's worship, we are glad you are here.

My name is Michael Jayne, and we welcome you to this morning's worship, whether you are joining us in-person, online, or viewing this later. However that might be, you are welcome here – long before you arrive.

We begin this morning with some brief announcements:

Today's worship blends the themes of our responsibility as people of faith to care for the environment – and in so doing – one another. Among the many concerns regarding the environment is cleaning up the ocean, which along with the sun, the earth, and the air sustains all life on this planet.

As people of faith who follow the teachings of Jesus, we agree to the inherent risk involved in believing we can help; believing we can change what needs to be changed and trusting that God is there with us showing the way. A way that is ours to follow...if we will.

So journey with us as we begin today with our Call to Worship:

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Mike

Call to Worship

Please stand or remain seated, as you wish, and join us in this morning's call to worship:

If the wind is right, you can sail away and find tranquility;
If the wind is right you can find the joy of innocence again;
Just dream...become caught up in the reverie;
every word a symphony; to the place
where you've always heard it could be...

Let the Spirit and her wind flow from here,
as we join in this morning's worship together.

Sean

Prelude "Sailing" Words and Music by Christopher Cross (1979)

Mike

Unison Prayer

From Ocean Prayer by Pamyua.
A prayer that pays honor to the ocean for
sharing many of her gifts in the Inuit "soul
music" tradition.

*Please stand or remain seated, as you wish, and join
us in this morning's call to worship.*

Down in the ocean
The Creator gives us gifts
So we can live with honor.

In the beginning of time
Our ancestors were told
Live in harmony and like family
So we can live with honor.

With gratitude the ocean's resources
We receive, help us to live
On this land, the Creator gifted us
So we can live with honor.

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Sean
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Hymn

“O Great Spirit”

Sing! Prayer and Praise

O Great Spirit, earth, sun, sky and sea,
you are within and all around me.

O Great Spirit, dawn before the day,
stir us within to hear you as we pray.

Mike Joys & Concern

There are many ways we love one another, and one of the ways we practice such love is to remember each other in our prayers.

So, we invite you to share love – and shared love, as we remember and listen to you name those who are in your hearts and on your minds this morning...

May we hear your prayers, your joys, your concerns....

Ray will circulate with the Microphone...and Mike will close with the Prayer of Jesus from The New Zealand Prayer Book:

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Parent, Guardian Guide of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope
and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

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Mike Passing of the Peace

Please stand or remain seated, as you wish, and join us our "Passing of the Peace of Jesus".

May the Peace of the Risen Christ be with you...
And, also with you.

Mike A Challenge and a Dream...

In 2011, Boylan Slat, aged 16, found more plastic than fish while diving in Greece. He made ocean plastic pollution the subject of a high school project examining why it was considered impossible to clean up. He later came up with the idea of building a passive plastic catchment system, using circulating ocean currents to net plastic waste, which he presented at a TEDx talk in Delft in 2012.

Slat discontinued his aerospace engineering studies to devote his time to developing his idea. He founded The Ocean Cleanup in 2013, and shortly after, his TEDx talk went viral.

"Technology is the most potent agent of change. It is an amplifier of our human capabilities", Slat wrote in The Economist.

Here is Boylan in four minutes of a larger clip explaining our challenge in May of 2017:

(We will play the video).

<https://youtu.be/du5d5PUrH0I>

When done, Mike reads this:

A commenter from Florida says this: "He has grown from a terrified, shy child in that first TED talk where he presented a dream to a largely quiet, doubtful audience to the confident, self-assured young man you see here quietly commanding the attention of adults many times his age. He got this entire dream from a simple Greek diving holiday when he was in high school." And this:

"...adults in his life taught him to believe, to dream, to follow those dreams and never EVER take no for a final answer - where there is the will, there is always a way."

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Here is a short clip from October 19 of this year that shows the system in operation, as plans for its expansion speed up...and the power of multiplication continues...

(We will play the video).

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Sean Interlude “La Mer” by Charles Trenet

Mike Gospel Reading Mark 12:38-44

Jesus continued teaching. “Watch out for the religion scholars. They love to walk around in academic gowns, preening in the radiance of public flattery, basking in prominent positions, sitting at the head table at every church function. And all the time they are exploiting the weak and helpless. The longer their prayers, the worse they get. But they’ll pay for it in the end.”

Sitting across from the offering box, he was observing how the crowd tossed money in for the collection. Many of the rich were making large contributions. One poor widow came up and put in two small coins—a measly two cents. Jesus called his disciples over and said, “The truth is that this poor widow gave more to the collection than all the others put together. All the others gave what they’ll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn’t afford—she gave her all.”

Ray Homily and Communion “Unless”

Sean Church Covenant

Ray Benediction

Usher Ringing of the Bell

Sean Postlude "All Thing Bright and Beautiful"

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by John Rutter
The Chancel Choir

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For more than a century and a half, Sayville's Congregational Church has served families on the South Shore and been a voice for the progressive Protestant tradition. An original member of the United Church of Christ since it was established in 1957, today we continue to celebrate God's love, to speak for the oppressed, and to welcome those seeking a spiritual home. To learn about our congregation and membership, please speak with any deacon.

Today's Worship Leadership

Liturgist – Mike Jayne

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Thank you for being with us today.

Peace. Shalom. Salaam. For the ways of peace are many.

“Namaste”

Please contact Heather if you have questions or need any additional help.