

Second Sunday after Pentecost Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ June 19, 2022



"Find your color(s), your soul, your "you" here, where Love is... and know you are welcome here!" Welcome & Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude "We Shall Overcome/Lean On Me" Traditional by Bill Withers

Call to Worship "Flare #8." From <u>Devotions</u> by Mary Oliver

Please rise or remain seated for this morning's "Call to Worship"

The poem is not the world. It isn't even the first page of the world.

But the poem wants to flower, like a flower. It knows that much.

It wants to open itself, like the door of a little temple, So that you might step inside and be cooled and refreshed, and less yourself than part of everything.

Friends, welcome to this place. Be cooled. Be refreshed. Be present in the more than we bring with us today.

Opening Response Hymn: "We Are All God's Chosen People" Sing! Prayer and Praise #115 (2x)

We are all God's chosen people children of perfect Love.
Oh yes, there's no one less
There's no one greater.
We are all God's chosen ones.

Please be seated and join us in "Prayer" by Maya Angelou

Unison Prayer "Prayer" by Maya Angelou

[Creator God], thank You for Your presence during the hard and mean days. For then we have you to lean upon.

Thank You for Your presence during the bright and sunny days, for then we can share that which we have with those who have less.

And thank You for Your presence during the Holy Days, for then we are able to celebrate You and our families and our friends.

For those who have no voice, we ask You to speak.

For those who feel unworthy, we ask You To pour Your love out in waterfalls of tenderness.

For those who live in pain, we ask You to bathe them in the river of Your healing.

For those who are lonely, we ask You to keep them company.

For those who are depressed, we ask You to shower upon them the light of hope.

Dear Creator, You, the borderless sea of substance, we ask You to give all the world that which we need most—Peace.

Amen.

Please rise as you wish...

Assurance of God's Love & Passing of the Peace

In God's "borderless sea of substance", we know God by many names. By whatever name it is you may know God, be assured of this: God Loves us All.

With this and more in mind...

May the Peace of the Risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us offer one another a sign of peace!

Please be seated

Joys and Concerns

Friends, we now invite you to share your Joys and Concerns.

The Prayer of Jesus

Adapted from "The Lord's Prayer for Transgender Awareness"

Our Creator, Guardian, Great Spirit God in whom we move and have our being, the holiness of your name shines forth in the diversity of the humanity we share.

May your will be the way we live, the way we invite others to live.

Grant that our Transgender and Queer siblings,

have fullness of love and life, in all the same ways we wish for one another.

Forgive us in the ways we have fallen short,

in our actions, demeanor and welcoming.

Help us forgive those who have failed us.

Lead us away from the temptation of complacency,

leading us instead in the ways of courage and compassion, for your justice and love is for all.

Now and forever. Amen

Reading from Isaiah (Isaiah 65-1)

"I was ready to respond, but no one asked: ready to be discovered, but no one hunted for me. I said, "Here I am, here I am!" To a nation that did not call my name.

Hymn

"There is Room for All"
Sing! Prayer and Praise #76 (Sing 2x)

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;
There is room for all, sheltered in God's love.
And I rejoice and sing, "my refuge and my rock,
In whom I trust."
There is room for all, there is room for all.

Reading from Psalm 22 from <u>Praying the Psalms</u> By Nan C. Merrill

To You, O Beloved, I lift up my voice in the great congregation: for you promise to remain with those who are steadfast.

The hungry shall eat and be satisfied;

Those who seek You shall sing praises!

Your Heart is our dwelling place forever!

Homily

Rev. Amy Karriker, United Church of Christ M. Div., Board Certified Chaplain, Director of Spiritual Care, Stony Brook Medicine Hymn

"Guide My Feet"

New Century Hymnal #497

Guide my feet, while I run this race (3x) For I don't want to run this race in vain.

Hold my hand, while I run this race (3x) For I don't want to run this race in vain.

I'm your child, while I run this race (3x) For I don't want to run this race in vain.

Stand by me, while I run this race (3x) For I don't want to run this race in vain.

Receiving of Gifts

Benediction

Church Covenant

In response to God's love, we covenant with each other...
to be faithful to the demands and inspiration of the eternal spirit, revealed in the event of Jesus Christ; to accept and respect each other with love and concern in our worship and witness; to reach out with the courage of our convictions in the cause of justice, liberation, and equality for all. In this we covenant, to keep the ultimate promise: "I care, I am with you."

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

"Wind Beneath My Wings"
by Larry Henley and Jeff Silbar



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ

For more than a century and a half, Sayville's Congregational Church has served families on the South Shore of Long Island and has been a voice for the progressive Protestant tradition. A member of the United Church of Christ since it was established in 1957, today we continue to celebrate God's love, to advocate and act for the oppressed, and to welcome all those on their spiritual journey, from wherever they may come. Thank you for joining us. Please contact us at any time for more information about our congregation or with any questions you may have for us.

Thank you!

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



"This is still us..."