



*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ
August 14, 2022*

Welcome & Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude “Nocturne” from A Midsummer Night’s Dream by Felix Mendelssohn

Call to Worship Adapted from Jeremiah 33:10-11

In this place there will be heard sounds of joy and gladness, voices of loved ones and soon-to-be friends. There will be shouts of praise and quiet prayers of gratitude.

Restoration and more will be revealed.

*Welcome... to this place where you are welcome as you are
and long before you arrive.*

Please rise if you wish and join us in singing.

Hymn “Where Charity and Love Prevail” New Century Hymnal #396

(Please use your hymnal or follow on the projected slides.)

Please be seated.

Unison Prayer [Spoken] from a favorite hymn: “In the Midst of New Dimensions”

**In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways
Who will lead the pilgrim peoples wandering their separate ways?
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar,
We your people, ours the journey, now and ever, now and ever, now and ever more.**

**As we stand at times divided, by our own self-seeking schemes,
Grant that we your global village, might envision wider dreams.
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar,
We your people, ours the journey, now and ever, now and ever, now and ever more.**

Joys and Concerns

Please respond, **“God, hear our prayers.”**

The Prayer of Jesus - The Lord’s Prayer; as you learned to pray this prayer.

Please rise as we share God’s Love with a sign of peace...

Passing of Christ’s Peace

In our prayers for one another; in remembering and praying the words Jesus taught his disciples to pray; may we know the assurance of being so loved by God, so loved that we *must* share this love with all. From these hearts of ours we say:

“May the peace of the Risen Christ be with you!” **And also with you.**

Friends, let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Please be seated.

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Jeremiah 23:23-29

The call to be a prophet came to Jeremiah in the year 625 B.C.E. and he was active during the reigns of the last kings of Judah – Josiah, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, Zedekiah – and continued for some time after the fall of Jerusalem in 587 B.C.E.

“Am I a God only when I am nearby,” says YHWH, “and not a God when far away?”

“Can anyone so hide in secret places where I cannot find them?” says YHWH.

“Do I not fill both heaven and earth?” says YHWH.

“I heard what these prophets say—the ones who speak lies in my Name: ‘I had a dream!’ they say, ‘I had a dream!’ How long will these lying prophets maintain these fictions in their hearts—these delusions of their own minds? They think the dreams they tell one another will make my people forget my Name, just as their ancestors forgot my Name and could only remember Ba’al. Let the prophet who has a dream tell it. But let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. What do straw and grain have in common? It is YHWH who speaks. Is not my word like fire, says YHWH, and like the hammer that smashes the rock into pieces?”

Provocation

Dream Prayer

Ray Bagnuolo

Please rise if you wish and join us in singing our closing hymn:

Hymn **“Sweet Hour of Prayer”** **New Century Hymnal #505**
(Please use your hymnal or follow on the projected slides.)

Benediction

Church Covenant
(Please use your hymnal back cover or follow on the projected slides.)

Ring of the Bell

Postlude “River of Dreams” by Billy Joel



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ

For more than 175 years, Sayville Congregational Church has served families on the South Shore of Long Island and has been a voice for progressive theological traditions. 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 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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