

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ November 6, 2022



Welcome & Announcements Kris Minschke, On Being a Member

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

"Musique Royale" by Michel Richard Delalande Edited and arranged by S. Drummond Wolff Trumpet soloist, James Cesare

<u>Please remain seated as Karen</u> <u>reads for this morning's Call to Worship</u>

Call to Worship

For all those who pave the road for freedom, those who seek to restore what has been lost, we give thanks.

For all those who inspire us in our faith, those who offer love and support unconditionally, we are grateful.

For those who know we are never lost, those who seek the abandoned ones with love. we are consoled.

In you, Creator and Gracious God, and through those you stir to lead us, we are blessed.

Please rise if you wish and join us in singing this morning's hymn:

Hymn "Arise, Shine" Sing! Prayer and Praise #68

Arise, Shine for your light has come!

And the glory of our God has risen upon you like the sun!

Lift your eyes, look around, rejoice! Lift your eyes, look around, rejoice!

Arise, shine let the light of love shine through!

And the world will see the brightness
of the new day in you!

Lift your eyes, look around, rejoice!

Lift your eyes, look around, rejoice!

Please be seated and join me in this morning's Unison prayer.

Unison Prayer

God of love and peace and restoration,
open our hearts to receive
your invitation to wholeness;
to inspire others and to rebuild this world.
Lift all that stands in the way
of our usefulness to you and others.
Let the meals and covenant we will soon share
unite us in The Way of Jesus and all his teachings.
Amen

Please remain seated

Chancel Choir

"Come As You Are To the Table" by Dana Mengel

First Reading Exodus 3:13-17

- "But," Moses said, "When I go to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' if they ask me, 'What is this god's name?' what am I to tell them?" ¹⁴ God replied, "I am as I am . This is what you will tell the Israelites: 'I am has sent me to you.'"
- ¹⁵ God spoke further to Moses: "Tell the children of Israel: 'Yhwh, the 'I am,' the God of your ancestors, the God of Sarah and Abraham, of Rebecca and Isaac, of Leah and Rachel and Jacob, has sent me to you.'This is my name forever; this is the name you are to remember for all generations.

"Now go. Gather the elders of the Israelites and tell them, 'I am, the God of your ancestors, appeared to me—the God of Sarah and Abraham, the God of Rebecca and Isaac, the God of Leah and Rachel and Jacob—and said: 'I have heard you and I have seen the way you are being treated in Egypt. ¹⁷ I tell you now that I will lead you out of your oppression in Egypt into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, to a land flowing with milk and honey."

Please remain seated and join in singing "Come, Teach Us, Spirit of Our God"

Hymn "Come, Teach Us, Spirit of Our God"

Come teach us Spirit of our God, the language of your way, the lessons that we need to live, the faith for every day; the faith for every day.

Engage our wits to dance with you, to leap from logic's base, to capture insight on the wing, to sense your cosmic grace; to sense your cosmic grace.

Delight our hearts to worship you, to learn compassion's code, to live in context of your love, great teacher who is God!

Great teacher who is God!

The Gospel Of Luke (Luke 20:1-8)

^{20 1} One day as Jesus was teaching the people in the Temple and proclaiming the Good News, the chief priests and the religious scholars, together with the elders, approached him ² and said, "Tell us by what authority you are doing these things. Who authorized you?"

³ Jesus replied, "And I'll ask you a question. ⁴ John's baptism—did it come from heaven, or from mortals?"

⁵ They discussed the question among themselves and concluded, "If we answer 'from heaven,' he'll ask, '
Then why didn't you believe him?' ⁶ But if we answer 'from mortals,' all the people will stone us, for they believe that John was a prophet." ⁷ So they said they didn't know where it came from. ⁸ Jesus said, "Then I won't tell you by what authority I do these things."

Homily

Chancel Choir

"Simple Gifts" Traditional, Arranged by John Coates, Jr.

Joys and Concerns

Please respond, "God, hear our prayers."

The Prayer of Jesus – "The Lord's Prayer"

Creator God who is in heaven;
Hallowed by your name.
Your kindom come, your will be done; o
n Earth as it is in Heaven
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who have trespassed against us.
Lead us not into temptation
and deliver us from evil
for yours is the kindom
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Please rise and join us in passing the Peace of Christ...

Passing of Christ's Peace

We know God is with us; we hold the greatest of commandments to love as a practice, a way of life. And, with the greeting of the one who promises "peace" beyond all understanding, from our minds, our hearts and our souls 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 continue standing and join us in singing

Hymn

"By Whatever Name We Call You"

New Century Hymnal #560

By whatever name we call you Fashioner of spheres, you are grander, so much wiser than our minds perceive.

Labels limit understanding, God, you have no peers. So we question—changing, growing—wanting to believe.

In whatever way we worship, Mystery divine, You are only dimly known through ritual and creed. Though we try to capture you in symbol or in sign, only as we let you be can longing hearts be freed.

In whatever gifts we offer, All inclusive One, You accept your own creation, fragments we return. Not as owners but as stewards is our giving done. In true wonder we receive the love we cannot return.

Please be seated...

Holy Communion.

Responses:

"The Bread of Life"; "The Cup of Blessing"

Benediction

Please rise and join us in singing...

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.

Please be seated.

Ringing of the Bell

Postlude

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"
Words and Music by Sebastian Temple



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ

For more nearly 175 years, 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, celebrate God's love, however you may know God, by our continuing to advocate for the oppressed, while welcoming all on their spiritual journey, from wherever they may come. Thank you for being with us today. Please contact us at any time for more information about our congregation and questions you may have.

Thank you!

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Peace. Shalom. Salaam.

For the ways of peace are many. "Namaste"