



*Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost  
Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ  
November 13, 2022*

**Ringling of the Bell**

**Prelude**      "Prière du matin"  
                    from Trois Pièces by Joseph Jongen

*Please remain seated and join me in praying for this  
morning's Call to Worship*

**Call to Worship** (Adapted from Rev. Ann B. Day)

**With words that proclaim God's inclusive love,**

**with works that bring forth God's powerful  
justice,**

**with worship that rejoices in God's wondrous  
presence,**

**we gather together this morning, here in this  
place.**

**Come, let us lift our hearts and voices and spirit**

**in prayer and praise and song,**

**here in this place. Amen.**

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

**Hymn            "Here in This Place"            Sing!**  
**Prayer and Praise #5    (2X)**

**Holy one may your presence here open our minds.**

**May your Spirit among us help us to find  
you are rising up now like a fountain of grace  
From the holy ground.**

**Here in this place. Here in this place  
(Here in this place.)**

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

**Unison Prayer** Adapted from Carol Wise, Brethren  
Mennonite Council

**Where hatred roars, we will sing of love.**

**Where fear stalks, we will stand with courage.**

**Where bigotry rages, we will call for justice.**

**Where pain overwhelms, we will extend kindness  
and comfort.**

**Where systems oppress, we will work for  
change.**

**Now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.**

**Amen.**

*Please remain seated*

**Chancel Choir**

"Love Grows Here" by Don Besig

## **First Reading Isaiah 65:17-19**

<sup>17</sup> For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth! The things of the past will not be remembered or come to mind! <sup>18</sup> Be glad and rejoice forever and ever in what I create, because I now create Jerusalem to be a joy and its people to be a delight! <sup>19</sup> I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.

*Please rise if you wish and join us in singing*

### **Hymn “Spirit of the Living God”**

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.**

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

## **The Gospel of Luke**

**(Luke 21:4-9)**

<sup>5</sup>Some disciples were speaking of how the temple was adorned with precious stones and votive offerings. Jesus said, <sup>6</sup> “You see all these things? The day will come when one stone won’t be left on top of another—everything will be torn down.” <sup>7</sup> They asked, “ When will this happen, Rabbi? and what will be the sign that it’s about to happen?” <sup>8</sup> Jesus said, “Take care not to be misled. Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the One’ and ‘The time is at hand.’ Don’t follow them. <sup>9</sup> And don’t be perturbed when you hear of wars and insurrections. These things must happen first, but the end doesn’t follow immediately.”

## **Homily**

*Please rise if you wish 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.**

## Joys and Concerns

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

### **The Prayer of Jesus – “The Lord’s Prayer”**

Creator God who is in heaven;

Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done;

on 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 kingdom 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 be seated.*

**Chancel Choir**

**"Go Forth Into the World In Peace"**

**by John Rutter**

**Words from the Book of Common Prayer**

*Please remain seated...*

## **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** "More" from *Mondo Cane*  
by Nino Oliviero and Riz Ortolani



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## **Thank you!**

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