

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

LEADERS BULLETIN

S1 Jenna

Good morning everyone, my name is Jenna Murphy and welcome to Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ.

Before beginning today's worship, I would like to draw your attention to the insert in your bulletin and to ask that you briefly review the items there, including:

- The Victorian Tea information
- Next week's Long Island Transgender Day of Remembrance gathering
- The Bay Area Chorus performance
- A reminder on 2023 Pledges
- And our upcoming "Annual Purple Bag Food Drive"

There is also a list of dates and events for November and December, including times for our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

And, a thank you to Elise for this wonderful gallery of her work that she shares with us all!

Connie, do you have anything you would like to add?

Again, thank you for joining us. Please breahte in the love in this room and let go of any distractions, as best you can, as the bell is rung followed by this morning's Prelude.

Usher Ringing of the Bell

S2 Sean Prelude "Prière du matin" from Trois Pièces

by Joseph Jongen

S3-5 Jenna

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.

S6-7 Jenna/Sean

(Here in this place.)

Now, 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

\$8-10 Jenna

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 evermore. Amen.

S11 Sean/The Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir "Love Grows Here" by Don Besig

\$12-13 Jenna

This morning's first reading is from Isaiah, Chapter 65, Verses 17-19

¹⁷ 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! ¹⁸ 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! ¹⁹ 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.

S14-15 Jenna/Sean

Now, Please rise if you wish and join us in singing Spirit of the Living God

Hymn "Spirit of the Living God" New Century Hymnal #283

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.

\$16-18 Jenna

<u>Please be seated and listen to these words from Luke's Gospel, Chapter</u> 21, Verses 4-9:

The Gospel of Luke (Luke 21:4-9)

⁵Some disciples were speaking of how the temple was adorned with precious stones and votive offerings. Jesus said, ⁶ "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." ⁷ They asked, " When will this happen, Rabbi? and what will be the sign that it's about to happen?" ⁸ 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. ⁹ And don't be perturbed when you hear of wars and insurrections. These things must happen first, but the end doesn't follow immediately."

S19-21 Ray

Homily

S22-25 Sean

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.

S26 Jenna/Ray

Friends, this is a time when we welome your Joys and Concerns. Please wait for the microphone...

Joys and Concerns

Please respond, "God, hear our prayers."

S27-28 The Prayer of Jesus – "The Lord's Prayer"

Creator God who is in heaven; Hallowed be your name.

Your kindom 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 kindom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

S29 Jenna

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.

S29 Jenna

Please be seated.

\$30 Sean/The Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir "Go Forth Into the World In Peace"

by John Rutter

Words from the Book of Common Prayer

S31 Ray

Please remain seated...

Benediction

S32 Ray

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.

Introduction to More

Usher Ringing of the Bell

S33 Ray

Postlude "More" from *Mondo Cane*

by Nino Oliviero and Riz Ortolani

S34-35 Closing Slides



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Thank you!

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