



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ
The Eight Sunday after Pentecost
July 30, 2023

Isabela's Baptism Day!
Welcome to All the Family & Friends of Isabela!
(Please take pictures!!!)

And Welcome to the Youngstrom Family!
Wonderful to have you with us,
You chose a great day to be here!

Enlarged Copies of the Bulletin are on the Front Pew

The Bell is Rung

Prelude “I Was There To Hear Your Borne Cry”

Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 67)

With powerful deeds of justice
You answer us, God, our Deliverer,
In whom all the ends of the earth
And the farthest seas put their trust.

You set the mountains in place by your power,
You still the roaring of the seas,
and the tumult of the peoples.

*And you bring us Isabela and her Moms,
her family and friends.
Isabela, who will be baptized today in your name.
How could we not know You better
In such love before us.*

Still in us, Gracious God, all that troubles us.
For today and every moment of our lives,
in all the ways and by all the names you are known
You are here.
Emmanuel.
God with us. Amen.

Hymn *“Bring Many Names” New Century Hymnal #11*

Verses 1, 2, 3, 6 (Modified)

Bring many names, beautiful and good,
celebrate in parable and story,
holiness in glory, living loving God,
Hail to Hosanna! bring many names!

Strong loving God, working night and day,
planning all the wonders of creation,
setting each equation, genius at play:
Hail and Hosanna! strong loving God.

Warm guiding God, hugging every child,
feeling all the strains of human living,
caring and forgiving till we’re reconciled:
Hail and Hosanna! warm guiding God.

Great, living God, never fully known,
joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,
closer yet than breathing, everlasting home:
Hail and Hosanna, great living God!

Baptism of Isabela Andrea Janosick-Torres

Passing of the Peace of Christ

May the Peace of the Risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us offer one another a sign of peace!

Hymn “Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed”
New Century Hymnal #328

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

Musical Praise “Till I Had Children of My Own” by Linda Donovan Olson
Susan Ryan, soloist

First Reading Psalm 105:1-6, 45b

¹ Alleluia!

Give thanks to YHWH,
and call on God’s Name;
proclaim God’s deeds among the peoples!

² Sing to God; sing praise,
and tell of all God’s marvels!

³ Glory in God’s holy Name;
let the hearts that seek YHWH rejoice!

⁴ Turn to YHWH —to God’s strength—
and seek God’s presence constantly.

⁵ Remember the marvels God has done—
the wonders performed and the judgments pronounced—

⁶ you ... [All]

Hymn

“Spirit of the Living God”

New Century Hymnal #283

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:31-33; 44-7

³¹ Jesus presented another parable to the crowds: “The kingdom of heaven is like the mustard seed which a farmer sowed in a field. ³² It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all—it becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come to perch in its branches.”

³³ Jesus offered them still another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a baker took and mixed in with three measures of flour until it was leavened all through.”

⁴⁴ “The kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure found in a field. The ones who discovered it hid it again, and, rejoicing at the discovery, went and sold all their possessions and bought that field.

⁴⁵ “Or again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant’s search for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When one pearl of great value was found, the merchant went back and sold everything else and bought it.

⁴⁷ “Or again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collected all kinds of fish.

Homily

Church Covenant (Also found on the back cover of the New Century Hymnal)

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."

Benediction

Choral Blessing "May The Road" setting by James Ahrend

Ringling of the Bell

Postlude "Homeward Bound" by Paul Simon



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, Worship Leadership!

The Chancel Choir and Sean Cameron, Music Director

Susan Ryan, soloist

Liturgist – Jenna Murphy; Usher – Diane Vaughan

Hospitality – Christine Hoff and Mariana Torres

Media Team – Karin Conrad, Kathi Leis, Mark Conrad

Connie Kauffman, Hank Maust; Sue Lanchantin “At the Narthex!”

Laura Weyant, Building and Grounds

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Today's Service is being simulcast on our church channel at

www.echimestv.org Tune in any time!

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

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