

**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM AS OUR GOD**

*Isaiah 66:1-2*

**A HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Hymn 214 - Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

**A PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD**

Belgic Confession, Article 13, Page 859 in Hymnal, read responsively

**A PSALM OF RESPONSE**

*Psalm 77 – I Cried Aloud to God for Help (Stanzas 1-5)*

**THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINS TO GOD**

Heavenly Father, we confess before you the weakness of our grip on you. In good times we declare with assurance that in Jesus we have a sympathetic High Priest and that you will never leave us nor forsake us. Yet when trials and troubles come, we quickly feel abandoned and alone, convinced that you have forgotten us. Instead of drawing near to the throne of grace, full of confidence in your love for us, our hearts are consumed with frustration and fear. Instead of reveling in our assurance in Christ, we lash out at those closest to us in anger or withdraw within ourselves to sulk and hide, running to the idols that promise us escape or immediate relief from our pain. We quickly forget that our advocate has ascended into heaven in triumph and intercedes for us there. Father forgive us. Holy Spirit, help us to cling to Christ. Show us more clearly our eternal High Priest and advocate above. Help us to ponder more deeply his love for us when we are tempted to doubt it and to stir one another up to love and good deeds. Intercede for us in our weakness, taking our incoherent prayers and presenting them perfectly before the Father. Strengthen us in growing holiness as you continue in us the good work that you have already begun so that on the last day we might receive what you have promised us in Christ along with all of the saints. In Jesus' name, amen.

**A SILENT MOMENT FOR CONFESSING PERSONAL SINS**

**GOD'S ASSURANCE THAT WE ARE PARDONED**

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14–16

**A HYMN OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE**

*Hymn 245 – Great is Thy Faithfulness (Stanzas 1 & 3)*

**SCRIPTURE RELATIVE TO TODAY'S SERMON**

2Timothy 4:9-18

Pew Bible Pg. 1269

**PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION**

Followed by the Lord's Prayer ("Debts")

**OUR OFFERING and DOXOLOGY TO GOD**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Old Hundredth L.M. (567)*

**PREPARING WITH PRAISE TO HEAR GOD'S WORD**

*Psalm 33 – With Joy Let Us Sing to the Lord (Stanzas 4 & 5)*

**THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

Job 9:22-24

Pew Bible Pg. 536

*On the Just and the Unjust Alike, God Sends Troubles*

Pastor James A. La Belle

**RESPONDING IN PRAISE TO GOD'S WORD**

*Hymn 509 – Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?*

**OUR LORD'S BENEDICTION**

**HIS CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE**

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel. For he alone does wondrous works in glory that excel. And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity. The whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be. - *McKee CM*

# *Presbyterian Church of Cape Cod*

We extend a **cordial welcome** to the visitors in our service today.

**Afternoon Study:** The Walk of Faith, Lesson 9: The Fuel of Obedience – Pastor La Belle

**Prayer Meeting** – Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

**Birthdays this week:**

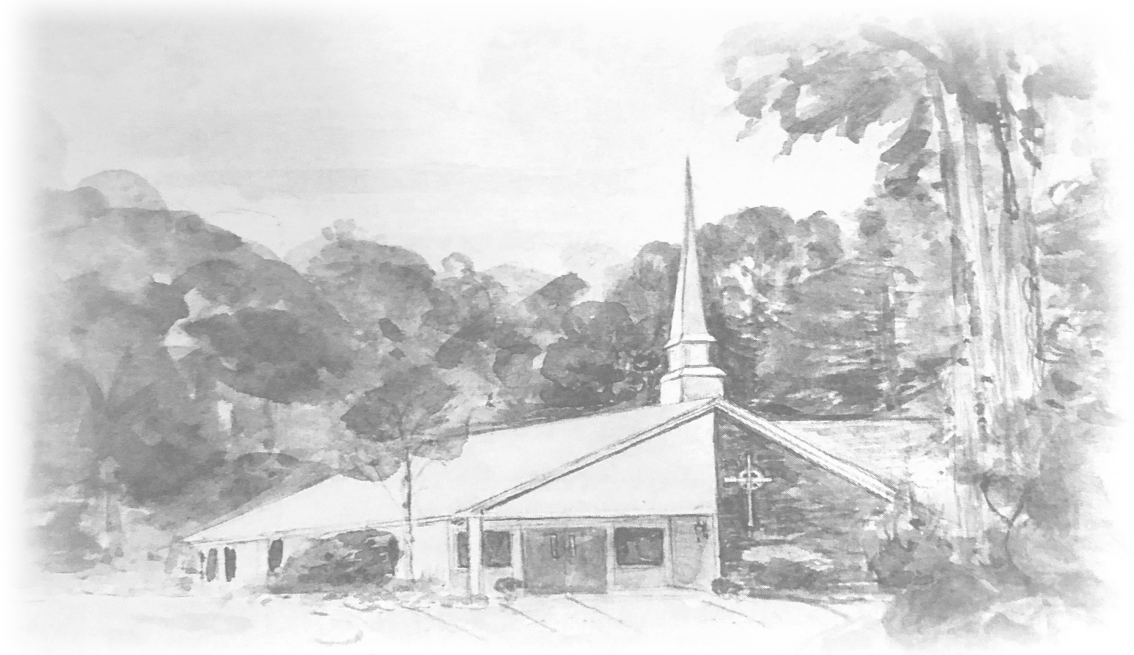
August 20<sup>th</sup> Suzanne Neal

**2020 Cape Cod Reformed Conference:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Massachusetts quarantine regulations, the Session has sadly and prayerfully decided we need to cancel our 2020 Cape Cod Reformed Conference. There will be information in the bulletin regarding the Conference of 2021 next Spring.

**The missionaries** for this month – Ben and Heather Hopp, Haiti

**Bulletin announcements** should be submitted to Elly Mead by 12 noon on Wednesdays.

Please e-mail to [pcccsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:pcccsecretary@gmail.com).



**“I was glad when they said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord!” Psalm 122.1**

***The Lord's Day***

August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Rev. Dr. James A. La Belle, Pastor

LIVE STREAMING @

<http://presbyterianchurchofcapecod.com/live-stream/>

**Morning Worship 10:00 am – Afternoon Study 4:30 pm**

*We welcome you* to the Lord's house, to the worship of the living and true God, and into the fellowship of this congregation. If this is your first visit, please sign the guest book in the foyer.