GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM AS OUR GOD

Psalm 117

A PSALM OF PRAISE

Psalm 100A - Shout to the Lord, All Earth

A PRAYER OF INVOCATION

THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD

Q. What has God promised you regarding His good care for you, and will you believe it, no matter what His dispensations look like?

A. This is what my God has promised me and therefore I must, and by His grace will, believe it, now and always namely: "they shall be my people and I will be their God. I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever for their own good and the good of their children after them. I will make with them an everlasting covenant that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts that they may not turn from me. I will rejoice in doing them good and I will plant them in this land in faithfulness, with all my heart and all my soul." Jer 32:38-41

PSALM OF RESPONSE

Psalm 99B - The Lord God Reigns in Majesty

OUR RESPONSIVE READING OF GOD'S LAW

The Ten Commandments (see insert)

THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINS TO GOD

Heavenly Father, how easily we become fearful and distressed by our difficult circumstances when it appears that life is out of control. We fear those who have the power to kill our bodies, feeling anxious about terrorists, criminals and many other dangers in this fallen world. We forget that they must answer to you and have no power to send us to hell. We even fear those who have the power to embarrass us, to make us feel uncomfortable or ashamed. We dread the disapproval of those whose good opinion we crave or of those who have power over us and can thwart our dreams and desires. We quickly forget your awesome power to lift up and bring down people and nations. We don't remember that you govern every molecule in this universe, including every thought, word and deed that occurs. As a result, we act as if our futures lay entirely within our own grasp or were at the disposal of those around us. Forgive us for our faithless fear and for its opposite, our self-confident pride. Holy Spirit, give us a fresh boldness to face each new day, a boldness that flows from believing in the Father's promises and trusting in the Father's sovereign power and goodness. Teach us the proper fear of the Lord that is the beginning of wisdom. Enable us to resist the constant pressure to conform to the values of this world and draw us to pray whenever we face troubles or joys in life. Help us to walk alongside each other in difficult times, bearing one another's burdens and reminding each other of the certain outcome of the race that is set before us, a joyous welcome into our Father's arms. Amen.

A SILENT MOMENT FOR CONFESSING PERSONAL SINS

GOD'S ASSURANCE THAT WE ARE PARDONED

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:1–2

A HYMN OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hymn 243 – How Firm a Foundation (Stanza 6)

SCRIPTURE RELATIVE TO TODAY'S SERMON

Hebrews 12:5-15

Pew Bible Pg. 1285

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)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Job 9:16-21

Pew Bible Pg. 535

The Struggle of Faith
Pastor James A. La Belle

RESPONDING IN PRAISE TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn 241 - O God beyond All Praising

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(The inner circles of cups contain wine and the outer circle contains grape juice. Please hold each element until all have been served so that we may partake together.)

DEACON'S OFFERING

RESPONDING IN PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE & MERCY

Hymn 215 - Give to Our God Immortal Praise

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*

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

July 2020 Giving Statement

Total Giving	\$ 2	21,590.05
Giving Weekly Average	\$	5,397.51
Weekly Average Giving to Date	\$	4,741.99
Budget - Weekly Average Needed	\$	4,553.88

Afternoon Study - The Walk of Faith, Lesson 7: Examining & Exercising our Faith - Pastor La Belle

Prayer Meeting - Wednesday August 5th, 6:30pm

Birthdays this week:

August ^{2nd} Elizabeth Regan August ^{4th} Karen Kinner

Anniversaries:

August 3rd John & Lori Chapman August 8th Carl & Jeanne Mores

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.

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"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 2nd, 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.