

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM AS OUR GOD

Psalm 66:5-9

A PSALM OF PRAISE

Psalm 42A - As the Deer Pants for the Waters

A PRAYER OF INVOCATION

THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD

Heidelberg Catechism

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own but belong body and soul, in life and in death to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. In fact all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

PSALM OF RESPONSE

Psalm 16A – Preserve Me, O My God (Stanzas 1-3)

OUR RESPONSIVE READING OF GOD'S LAW

The Ten Commandments (see insert)

THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINS TO GOD

Lover of our souls, Like Adam and Eve, we are people who hide from you instead of running toward you when we sin. In the footsteps of our fallen parents, we idolize your good creation and use it to escape from you, fashioning pathetic fig leaves and hiding behind the bushes that you have made. We seek our own glory instead of yours, craving comfort, good reputations, financial gain, safety, significance and love. We want to believe that we are the smartest, the best, the wisest, the strongest and the most spiritual people. We compete with one another in order to feel superior and we trample each other with our pride and determination to succeed. We have never sought you with our whole hearts, though we daily pursue our own desires with all of our heart, mind, soul and strength. Lord forgive us for our relentless self-love and worship.

Holy Spirit, show us that we are poor, weak and needy. Come quickly to deliver us from our blindness and to rescue us from our pride and shame. Help us to see the many lovers we embrace as we run from you. Convict us of our sin and give us the sweet gifts of repentance and godly sorrow. Show us our sinless Savior who always obeyed his Father, seeking the Father's will and glory above his own comfort and safety. In the garden of Gethsemane he agonized, longing to escape the bitter shame and curse of the death appointed for him. Yet he sought us with his whole heart by living and dying for us, rising triumphantly to claim us for himself and fulfilling his Father's purpose to have a beloved people of his own. Fill our hearts and minds with the reality of Christ's loving pursuit of us so that we learn to love him more each day. Help us to be filled constantly with gratitude to him, to love him more than we love our pathetic idols, to seek him with growing joy, to run to him swiftly when we sin and to have unshakeable confidence in his finished work and his perpetual care for us. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

A SILENT MOMENT FOR CONFESSING PERSONAL SINS

GOD'S ASSURANCE THAT WE ARE PARDONED

For this reason the Father loves me because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father. *John 10:17-18*

A HYMN OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hymn 219 – O Worship the King (Stanzas 1 & 5)

SCRIPTURE RELATIVE TO TODAY'S SERMON

Ecclesiastes 7:1-13

Pew Bible Pg. 707

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 9:25-26

Pew Bible Pg. 536

Where is Your Hope?

Pastor James A. La Belle

RESPONDING IN PRAISE TO GOD'S WORD

Psalm 27A – The Lord's My Light

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 214 – Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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: Philippians 2:5-8 The Mind of YHWH

Prayer Meeting – Wednesday, September 9th, 6:30pm

Women's Fellowship will meet this Tuesday, September 8th at 6:30 pm in the foyer at church. We will be looking at Chapter 7 'Omnipresent.' There will be **no** meal at this meeting.

The Promises Book Club will resume on Tuesday, September 15th at 7 pm at the church. We will be reading Chapter 8 beginning in the section on faith .

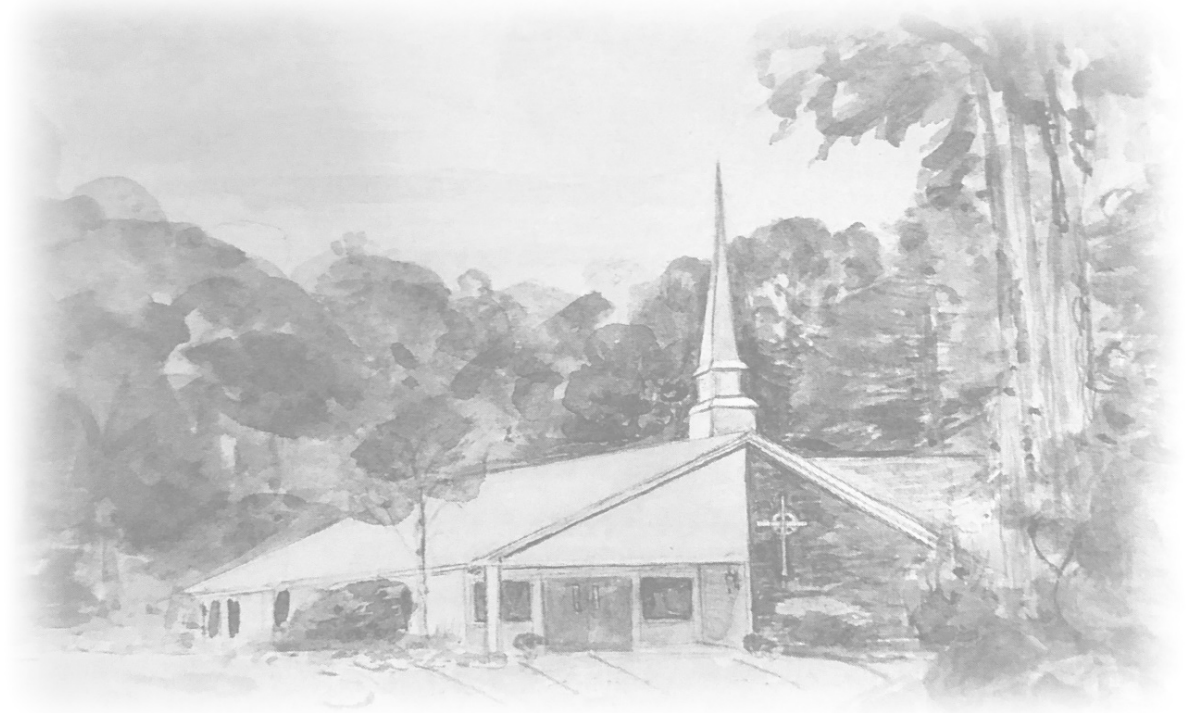
Birthdays this week:

11th Zoey Grace Brunton

The missionaries for this month – Tony and Kathleen Curto, Ethiopia

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

Please e-mail to pccsecretary@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

September 6th, 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.