#### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM AS OUR GOD Psalm 96:1-5

**A PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalm 148B – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

#### **A PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

# THE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN GOD

Heidelberg Catechism 122

## Q. What does the first petition mean?

A. Hallowed be your name means help us to truly know you, to honor, glorify and praise you for all your works and for all that shines forth from them, your almighty power, wisdom, kindness, justice, mercy and truth. And it means help us to direct all our living, what we think, say and do so that your name will never be blasphemed because of us but always honored and praised.

#### A PSALM OF RESPONSE

Psalm 104B – My Soul, Bless the Lord! (Stanzas 15 & 16)

#### THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINS TO GOD

Commander of the universe, you are powerful and majestic and we marvel that you take notice of us. We your creatures have rebelled against your authority yet you set your love on us and rescued us from death and hell. We praise you for choosing to pursue us and for giving us faith to believe in your Son. Holy Spirit, the law of condemnation is written on our hearts and minds and Satan easily enslaves us with it. Show us daily that your mercy is not purchased by our faithfulness but has been bought for us by the obedience of Christ. Strengthen our faith according to your holy will and help our rebellious souls to submit to you. Make us hungry for truth that will strengthen our wavering faith. Help us to bathe our minds in the good news of our oneness with Christ and make that reality a strong and mighty shield that protects us in seasons of weak faith. Let us be grateful when faith is strong, for you alone are the giver and perfecter of faith. Let us not be shaken when our faith is weak and Satan terrifies our souls, for even Satan must obey you and you hold us safely in your mighty arms. Help us not to despise ourselves and others when we struggle with doubt but to lead each other patiently to the cross of Christ, who lifted the shield of his faith on our behalf and won our salvation and joy. In his strong name and for his glory we ask all these things, 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. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. Hebrews 12:1-3

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

Hymn 460 – Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ (Stanza 3)

SCRIPTURE RELATIVE TO TODAY'S SERMON John 15:1-11

Pew Bible Pg. 1147

## **PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THE CONGREGATION**

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

## **NEW MEMBERSHIP**

David Belcher

## **CONGRETIONAL RESPONSE**

Hymn 405 – I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (Stanzas 1-4)

## **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**

Hymn 466 – My Faith Looks Up to Thee (Stanzas 1-3)

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Colossians 1:9-14 Pew Bible Pg. 1251 Paul's Prayer for Christian Maturity Pastor James A. La Belle

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

Psalm 119E – Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth

## **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.

September 2020 Giving Statement		
Total Giving.	\$	20,855.10
Giving Weekly Average	\$	5,213.78
Weekly Average Giving to Date	\$	4,843.67
Budget - Weekly Average Needed	\$	4,553.88

#### Afternoon Study: Rev. Thomas Crumb

**The Promises Book Club** will meet on Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the church. We will be reading Chapter 9.

Prayer Meeting – Wednesday, October 21st, 6:30pm

#### **Birthdays this week:**

October 18<sup>th</sup> – Bob Brunton October 19<sup>th</sup> – Grace Latta October 19<sup>th</sup> – Luciana Leitão October 21<sup>st</sup> – Jocelyn Barr October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Joe Marcel

#### Anniversaries:

October 18<sup>th</sup> – Arnold & Pamela Johnson

Christian Education: October 25<sup>th</sup> - Led by William Peters, Chapter 4, J.C. Ryle's Matthew Study

**REMINDER**: If you haven't picked up your **Operation Christmas Child shoe box** yet, pick one up today! Every shoe box is a perfect opportunity for evangelism and discipleship which can lead to new believers and perhaps new churches. Did you know that after receiving shoe box gifts, many children participate in a follow-up program called The Greatest Journey? A local church volunteer leads children in a 12-lesson Bible based course, which includes Bible stories and Scripture memorization, some to do in class and some to do at home. They learn how to follow Christ in their daily lives as they share Him with friends and family. With each shoe box, children hold in their hands a tangible expression of God's love.

The missionaries for this month – Heero and Anya Hacquebord, Ukraine

**Bulletin announcements** should be submitted to Elly Mead by 12 noon on Wednesdays. Please e-mail to pcccsecretary@gmail.com.

# Presbyterian Church of Cape Cod



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

## The Lord's Day

October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Rev. Dr. James A. La Belle, Pastor

LIVE STREAMING @ http://presbyterianchurchofcapecod.com/live-stream/

#### Christian Education 8:50 am - 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.