



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Shelter Island Presbyterian Church

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“As We Believe, So We Do”



World Communion Sunday (Year C)
10:30 A.M. | Sunday, October 2nd, 2016

Today's Texts:

Lamentations 1:1-6
2 Timothy 1:1-14

Lamentations 3:19-26
Luke 17:5-10

*(The worship service begins with the **prelude**. Let us silently prepare our hearts and allow others the same opportunity.)*

**We invite you to rise in body or in spirit*

World Communion Sunday began in the 1930's by the Presbyterian Church and has since become a widespread ecumenical observation. It always falls on the first Sunday in October and celebrates Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation.

Chimes

Prelude: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" Emma Lou Diemer

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Introit "Be Still, for the Spirit of the Lord" David Evans

***Call to Worship** *Lam. 3; Ps. 137*

Sing to the Lord, whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting!

But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are without?

Sing to the Lord, whose faithfulness renews us every morning!

But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are gone?

Sing to the Lord, who has not forgotten the melodies of salvation!

Let us remember the joy of the Lord, and sing a new song together!

***Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God,

even as the drums of warfare beat on through the night,

even as the cries of injustice linger in the morning,

even as the hustle of busyness rumbles through the day,

quiet our hearts. Still our hearts. Join us in our worship.

Remember us in your mercy as we try to remember you,

through the proclamation of your good news, in story and in song,

and through the hospitality of your gracious table.

Welcome us again, one Lord,

Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***Hymn No. 39** "Great is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

*Invitation to Confession

Great indeed is the faithfulness of God,
and yet our hearts are not so reliable.
We wander. We argue. We forget.
We divide ourselves with anger and bitterness and falsehood.
Let's try to come back together again, and let's start with the truth.
Let's confess our sins, to God, and also, to each other.

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace:
You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course.
You have promised us the abundance of all creation,
but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without.
You have promised us the bread of life itself,
but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry.
You have promised us the waters of peace and justice,
but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty.
And now we are famished, too, Lord.
Have mercy on us.
Forgive us, again.
Transform us, *at* this table, and *for* this table,
and send us *from* this table as servants of your righteousness,
by the power of your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*Sung Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have
(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
C F/A Am Bb C Dm
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy;
(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
Bb F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F
Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows.
Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows.
And even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows.
Friends, you have been called and claimed by the God of all things,
and by the abundance of God's grace,
and by the power of God's love,
our sins have been forgiven.

Alleluia!

Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory to God, No. 581

***The Peace**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we also ought to forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

— Please greet those around you —

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God,
give us ears to hear your story in these words of Scripture;
give us eyes to see your story in the faces of those that surround us;
and give us faith enough, that by your grace,
we might serve you until the end of our days. **Amen.**

First Reading Lamentations 1:1-6

pew Bible pg. 848

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

“I Am the Bread of Life”

Suzanne Toolan

Second Reading Lamentations 3:19-26

pew Bible pg. 852

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Stephen M. Fearing

***Hymn No. 59** “The Steadfast Love of the Lord”

***Affirmation of Faith**

adapted from the Belhar Confession

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.
And we believe that this unity of the people of God
must be manifest and active,
in that we love one another;
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,
that we are to share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope,
which is the height and the breadth and the depth
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.**

Call to Offering

The Offertory

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is” Gerhard Krapf

***The Doxology**

Glory to God, No. 606

***Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe.

Even when we were dust, when our story begins in dust,

you were there, your word was there,

your breath into the lifeless void.

And upon your word all creation sprang into life.

When we were in the wilderness, terrified, timid,

you were there, your word was there,

with manna just enough for today,

with water even from the driest rock,

with the abundant grace upon which our story always rests.

And when we fell short, slaves to power and greed,

you were there, your word was there,

on the lips of prophets and in the hearts of servants,
 in stories of revolution and revelation and liberation,
 calling us even now to acts of courage and witness and peace.

Therefore we praise you,
 joining our voices with choirs of angels,
 with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
 and with all the faithful of every time and place,
 who forever sing to the glory of your name:

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
 2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C F/A Am B^b C Dm

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
 B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Indeed blessed are you, O Christ, our Lord,
 for risking yourself among us, vulnerable and rejected;
 for teaching among us, teaching the radical hope of God;
 teaching grace to a world bent on vengeance,
 teaching love to a world bent on destruction,
 teaching peace to a world bent on tearing itself apart.

You were there, your word was there, even to the point of death itself.
 Even faced with terror and hatred and the brokenness of the world,
 you rose again, to new life, to new creation, to resurrection,
 that we might know something other than the dust,
 that we might expect something other than the end,
 that we might work for something other than ourselves.

And so you speak to us again,
 with these abundant gifts of bread and juice,
 with which we joyfully celebrate your dying and rising,
 as we await the table of the Kingdom yet to come,
 and as we dedicate ourselves again to you,
 thankful, and transformed, as living and holy sacrifices,
 that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come a - gain.

(G) (A)(Bm) (G) (D) (A)(Bm) (Em7) (A)(Dsus)(D)
 B^b C Dm B^b F C Dm Gm7 C F^{sus} F

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us,
 and upon these gifts of bread and juice,
 that the bread we break together, and the cup we share together,
 may retell our common stories together
 and reshape our common bonds together,
 and remember our common grace together,
 in the communion of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ,
 the one in whose life and death you have torn down our divisions.

And so may we be one with all who share this feast,
 on this day, of all days, with all your children at every corner of your table.
 May we share this abundant cup with all those who thirst for your justice.
 May we share this abundant bread with all those who hunger for your
 righteousness,
 May we be united with every corner of your story,
 united in hope, united in vision, united in purpose,
 united in ministry in every place.

As this bread is Christ's body for us,
 send us from this table to be the body of Christ in all the world.
 Send us with a spirit of courage, a spirit of power and love,
 that we may be witnesses in all creation
 to the unending story of your word breathing life into the dust.

Information About Today's Worship Service

Today's liturgy is reprinted by permission of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Thank you to our worship and fellowship leaders this morning!

Assisting : Chris Lewis
Greeter: Janet Virkus
Usher: Susie Lange
Coffee Hour Host: Choir

Today's flowers are given in memory of Susan Schott and Webster Schott

A very special welcome to our guests! Worship bags with activities for children are available in the narthex. Please ask an usher and we'll be happy to help you. Please join us for light refreshments and fellowship after worship today in Fellowship Hall.

This week at Shelter Island Presbyterian Church:

Sunday, October 2	Worship	10:30 a.m.
Monday, October 3	Engaging the Text	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, October 4	Women's Community Club	11:30 a.m.
	Deacon's Meeting	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 5	Stewardship Meeting	5:15 p.m.
Friday, October 7	AA	7:30 p.m.

Looking Ahead:

Sunday, October 9	Worship	10:30 a.m.
	S.I. Friends of Music	3:00 p.m.

*The bulletins are being donated by Jackie and Tut
in celebration of their 60th. wedding anniversary*

*And the table
will be wide.
And the welcome
will be wide.
And the arms
will open wide
to gather us in.
And our hearts
will open wide
to receive.*

*And we will come
as children who trust
there is enough.
And we will come
unhindered and free.
And our aching
will be met
with bread.
And our sorrow
will be met
with wine.*

*And we will open our hands
to the feast
without shame.
And we will turn
toward each other
without fear.
And we will give up
our appetite
for despair.
And we will taste
and know
of delight.*

*And we will become bread
for a hungry world.
And we will become drink
for those who thirst.
And the blessed
will become the blessing.
And everywhere
will be the feast.*

*~ written by Jan L. Richardson, and posted on The Painted Prayerbook. [http://
paintedprayerbook.com/](http://paintedprayerbook.com/)*



loans that change lives

kiva.org is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that brings people together to give micro loans (usually \$25 each) to people in order to help them help themselves. Here's an example of how it works:

Maria in Equador needs another dairy cow to increase her production and make more money with her dairy farm. However, things are tight so she doesn't have the money on hand to invest in a cow. Therefore, she applies for a loan through kiva.org where people like you can loan \$25 (or more) to help give Maria the money to purchase the cow. Thanks to the loans from kiva.org, Maria can purchase the cow. Once the cow begins producing, Maria pays back the loan to kiva.org where the money you loaned goes back into your account. You can then either withdraw the money or re-loan it to another borrower.

Want to join the SIPC KIVA team?

Go to sipchurch.org/missions/kiva and follow the directions at the bottom of the page.

To date, the SIPC KIVA Team has loaned \$3,250 through 112 loans in 35 different countries!

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SIPC Prayer List

The nations in the Middle East, our planet, the men and women in the Armed Forces and our leaders. For Ashley Sanderson, Lindsay Ehrlich, Lisa Armour, Tara Chituk, Jill Tuttle Albiani, Sue Speeches-Caddle, Michael Murphy, Don Zabel, Stetson, Jane & Greg Hall, Carolyn Sargent, Susan Hansen, Gasper Caro, Sven Corfitzen, Michael Goodleaf, Evandos Jones, Romaine Elgart, Ann Scattareggio, Charlotte Hannabury, Joseph Walsh, Staff Sargent Jeremy Schmidt, Laurie Thomson Emery, Sharon Gibbs, Kim MacAllister, Wm. J Campbell, Melanie Panzigtau, Gary Koehler, Dan Weginski, Alan Krauss, and Hallie Kneeland.

The family and friends of Charlotte Hannabury

We will gladly list the names of any individuals in need of our prayers. You may share names with us by turning in a note from the pew or by calling the church office prior to Friday a.m. We will continue to list the names for 4 weeks and then they will be removed unless a specific request is made.