

Sunday, September 7, 2025

10:00am

Welcome to those worshipping in-person and online

Gathering Music ..... arr. Paul Clark  
*He's Got the Whole World/Amen*

Call to Worship (*responsive; allusions from Jeremiah 29*)

Come, beloved community of God—welcome to worship!

Whether you've been here every week or away for a season,  
God's invitation still stands.

***We come, trusting the One who holds our future.***

God says, "I know the plans I have for you... plans for peace, not harm, to give you a future filled with hope."

***We believe God's blueprint is love, drawn in grace, measured in mercy.***

So, let us worship with joy, for the Architect of our lives is building something beautiful.

***We will worship the Lord who makes all things new!***

Hymn ..... *For the Saints Who Paved the Way*.....Dix

***For the saints who paved the way, faithful through each passing day,  
For their witness, strong and true, still inspiring all we do,  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.***

***For the call to serve in love, guided by Thy hand above,  
For the chance to heal and care, blessing neighbors everywhere,  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.***

***For the laughter, bright and clear, of the children gathered here,  
For the dreams of youth that grow, in Thy nurture they will know,  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.***

***For the songs that fill this place, echoing Thy boundless grace,  
For the bread and cup we share, signs of love beyond compare,  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.***

***As your church, we now rejoice, heart and hands and mind and voice,  
Colts Neck's witness, bright and free, shining, Christ, in love for Thee,  
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.***

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

***Gracious God, You are the Master Builder, the Designer of all that is good. Yet we confess that too often we follow our own blueprints—trusting our plans more than Yours. We rush ahead without consulting You, and we grow impatient when Your timing is not***

***ours. Forgive us, Lord. Clear away the clutter of our pride and fear. Lay again the foundation of faith, hope, and love in our hearts, that we may walk in Your ways and trust Your plan. Through Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone, we pray. Amen.***

Assurance of Forgiveness – How We are Called to Live

Gospel for Children

Anthem ..... *Amazing Grace* ..... arr. Tom Avakian

Prayers – The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.***

Scripture Reading ..... Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7, 10-14

Sermon..... Scott D. Brown

### ***The Blueprint: God's Master Plan***

Hymn ..... *God, You Hold the Master Blueprint* ..... Hymn to Joy

***God, You hold the master blueprint, plans for hope and not for fear,  
Every step is drawn in mercy, grace has paved the pathway clear.  
Christ, our strong and sure foundation, Spirit, guide us every day,  
In Your love and firm direction, Lord, You always pave the way.***

***When we cannot see the future, You still hold tomorrow's key;  
When we wander from the drawing, You restore what's meant to be.  
Walls of kindness, beams of justice, roofs of joy and peace above—  
Build Your church with living stones, Lord, fitted by Your master love.***

***Great Designer, Architect of hearts renewed and lives made whole,  
Shape our gifts for holy service, use each hand, each mind, each soul.  
Til Your kingdom stands completed, every tear is wiped away,  
We will serve and help and follow, trusting You to pave the way.***

Sharing in the Lord's Supper

Prayer Before the Picnic (*unison*)

***Gracious God, You are the Master Architect of our lives. From the foundation of the world, You have drawn up a plan filled with hope, grace, and joy. Thank You for this day of homecoming, for the beauty of worship under Your sky, and for the blessing of***

*this church family. As we share food and laughter, may we also share Your love. Bless this meal, the hands that prepared it, and the conversations that will build us up in faith. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

Congregational Photo

\*Commissioning and Blessing

\*Sending Music..... *Gospel* .....Carl Strommen

\*Ministry Expo and Picnic

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Worship Schedule beginning September 14, 2025

Worship Service..... 9:30 a.m.

This worship service is live-streamed via YouTube and Facebook.

Church school..... 9:50 a.m.

Coffee and Fellowship in Fellowship Hall ..... 10:30 a.m.

On the first Sunday of the month, worship will be held at 9:30 and 11:00am.

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**RALLY DAY**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**  
**10:00AM**  
**COLTS NECK FIREHOUSE # 1**