

CHILMARK COMMUNITY CHURCH

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

MEDITATION

“My great hope is to laugh as much as I cry; to get my work done and try to love somebody and have the courage to accept the love in return.” - Maya Angelou

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Quiet

Introit (seated) *Blest Be the Tie that Binds (v. 1&2)* #557

*Call to Worship (*please stand as you are able)

One: Come, let us worship Almighty God.

All: Let us lift our songs, our praise and our prayers.

One: Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.

All: Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, Our strength, our spirits.

One: Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.

All: Breathe in us, Breath of God. Alleluia.

Let us worship God together.

*Hymn *I Come with Joy* #617

Song: Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own. In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, my children, with my blessing—you are my own.

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION (seated)

Faithful God, we thank you that you receive us not according to our ailing goodness, but according to your overflowing grace. You receive us as we are and show us what we can be. You have come to us in Jesus Christ to share our common lot and reconcile us to yourself. Sweep over us with your spirit, change us by your love, that we may sing with joy before you, and live to your glory in the world. Through the Spirit of Jesus Christ, we pray together:

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS (insert)

Response *Blest Be the Tie that Binds (v. 3&4)* #557

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scriptures Psalm 145:10-18
John 6:1-15

Reflection Abundance Rev. Dr. Wright
Interlude (seated)

Pastoral and Silent Prayer
Prayer Response

THANKSGIVING

The Offering
*Doxology #95
*Unison Prayer of Dedication
Holy One, whose heart abounds with gifts, receive this offering as a sign of our intention to live surrounded by your mercy, inspired by your Spirit, open to the joy of your presence, hospitable to one another, and generous toward your world. Amen.

*Hymn *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* #629
Benediction (seated)

Postlude

Please join us for Fellowship and Coffee in the Parish Hall after the service
Rev. Dr. Charlotte Wright, Pastor
Sean McMahon, Music Minister

We welcome today Ian Goff, Brian Kennedy, Virginia Barbatti and Aaron Barbatti. You wish to become members of Chilmark Community Church. Please come forward.

Friends in Christ, we all are received into the church through the sacrament of baptism. Ian, Brian, Virginia and Aaron have found nurture and support in the midst of the family of Christ. They have been led by the Holy Spirit to claim in our presence their covenantal relationship with Christ and the members of this church. They are here for service, using the gifts which the Holy Spirit bestows. They are no longer a stranger and sojourner, but stand with the saints and members of this household of God, as we grow together in Christ's name.

Questions:

Do you desire to affirm your baptism into the faith and family of Jesus Christ?... **We do.**

Do you promise, by the grace of God, to be Christ's disciples, to follow in His way, to resist oppression and evil, to show love and justice, and to witness to the work and word of Jesus Christ as best you are able?.....**We promise, with the help of God.**

Do you promise, according to the grace given you, to grow in the Christian faith and to be a faithful member of the Church, celebrating Christ's presence and furthering Christ's mission in all the world?.....**We promise, with the help of God.**

Do you promise to participate in the life and mission of this church, sharing regularly in the worship of God and enlisting in the work of Chilmark Church as it serves this community and the world?.....**We promise, with the help of God.**

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We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's truth and wisdom, and be witnesses to God's boundless love.

Today we rejoice in your pilgrimage of faith which has brought you to this time and place. We celebrate your presence in this faith community. By becoming a part of us, you have refreshed and renewed this church.

Let us pray together:

O God, we praise you for calling us to faith and for gathering us into the church, the body of Christ. We thank you for your people gathered and rejoice that you have increased our community of faith. Together may we live in the Spirit, building one another up in your grace, sharing regularly in worship, and so love each other as you have loved us. Amen.

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