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The **Liturgist** for today is Louise Sgarro. The **Chancel Flowers** are given by Louise Sgarro, in memory of her brother, Michael.

**Prayer Concerns:** Carolkay Barré; Nick Bradshaw; Ellie Catalano; Ruth Sukala; Mary Ellen Beck; those in need of comfort or healing; those mourning the loss of loved ones; those who are the caretakers of others; those who are lonely; those in need of resources; those seeking safe refuge; and for us, may we be moved to act with compassion and service.

**Today, after worship:**

- Coffee Hour & Fellowship
- Children's Choir Rehearsal

**Tuesday 7pm** - Trustees Meeting (Memorial Room)

**Thursday 6:30pm** - Bell Choir; **7:00pm** - Alcoholics' Anonymous; and  
**7:30pm** - Chancel Choir

**Church Officers:** Thank you for committing to service in 2025! Please be sure to complete the 2025 questionnaire (online, link in E-news, or paper copy, available in narthex) to ensure that we have your correct contact information and you are able to share your interests and thoughts with Marcus. Return in collection plate, by mail, or directly to the office.

**Special upcoming event!** On Monday, Jan 20, CPC will host Mountainside's first Martin Luther King, Jr. community event. It runs from 10am-noon, and there are opportunities to help set-up, donate supplies, and run a project station (directing participants). Please visit the online sign-up sheet for more info (link in E-news). The event includes guest speakers, hands-on projects to support the needs of others, and the opportunity to recognize the goals of Dr. King himself. We hope to see you at the event - and invite neighbors and friends; all ages are welcome!

**Reminder:** The Nursery School is back in session, and all non-school persons are asked to limit their building use to outside school hours (8:30am-2:30pm) when possible. If you need to be on the premises during the school day, please inform the office (by phone or email); access the building via the side door off parking lot; and sign-in and out. We appreciate that CPC is an active church and there is much business to be done! But following the above procedure ensures that the school's NJ licensing requirements are met. *Thank you!*



# Community Presbyterian Church

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## Of Mountainside



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Diann Gropp-Roth, *Office Administrator*

January 12, 2025                      Service for the Lord's Day                      10:30 AM

PRELUDE                      *Ave Maria*                      J.S.Bach/C.Gounod/H.H.Hopson

WELCOME

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT (707)                      *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord*                      C.W.Lauder

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

**Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.**

\*OPENING HYMN #177 *I Will Come to You*                      D.Haas

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

**God, you call us to beloved community with you and with each other. But we exclude and reject those we deem different. You claim us as beloved, but we turn against each other in anger and hate. You liberate us and lead us in Christ's path of peace, but we build walls and invest in guns and dismiss peace as impractical and unrealistic. Redeeming God, forgive our worldly ways. Call us and claim us once again for the work of building your beloved community. Amen.**

RESPONSE (735)                      *I Need Thee Every Hour*                      R.Lowry

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI (#581)                      H.W.Greatorex

PASSING OF PEACE

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH LEADERS

FAMILY TEACHING MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

**Help us, Holy God, to connect to your word anew. Open the Scriptures to us in a way that is life-giving. Encourage us to listen to the message your Spirit makes known in word and worship. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON                      Isaiah 43:1-7

ANTHEM                      *Ave Maria* (FWV62)                      C.Franck

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON                      Luke 3:15-17,21-22

SERMON                      "Choppy Waters"                      Rev. Marcus C. Lambright

\*RESPONSIVE HYMN #293 *Loving Spirit*                      arr. W.S.Rockstro

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM                      *Ave Maria*                      F.Schubert/H.H.Hopson

\*DOXOLOGY (#606)                      Old Hundredth

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN #408                      *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*                      D.Akers

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE (750) *Goodness Is Stronger than Evil*                      J.L.Bell

POSTLUDE                      *Jubilation*                      G.F.Handel/H.H.Hopson

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*