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The **Liturgist** for today is Laurie Thomas.

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 justice and equity for all; those who perform service for others; and for us, may we hear your word and be moved to act with compassion and generosity.

Today, after worship:

- Coffee Hour & Fellowship - celebrate new members!
- Intergenerational Choir Rehearsal
- Deacons' Meeting (*rescheduled from last week*)

Monday

12:15pm - Mens Group Lunch (meet at CPC)

2:45pm - Book Group (Memorial Room)

Tuesday

7:00pm - PNENJ Meeting (zoom)

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

7:30pm - Chancel Choir

Reminder: Hosting Coffee Hour is fun and easy! Start the coffee brewing before worship, bring some snacks (your choice!), and set-up tables and chairs. Should you wish to handle the refreshments but not the furniture, no problem! Contact Diane McCurdy (908) 400-1486. Check dates and signup in the Assembly Room. *Thank you!*

From the Financial Secretary: The statements for the 3rd and 4th quarters of 2024, along with full year Charitable Contribution statements, have been mailed. If you have not yet received yours, or notice an error or have questions, please contact Julie Fristensky (908)400-3490 or jfristensky51@gmail.com.

Thank you to all who organized, supported, and participated in the Mountain-side MLK Day of Service event here at CPC this past Monday. We successfully served others through making of sandwiches, packing lunches, writing and/or coloring supportive messages, and creating Hugs in a Mug - all to uplift and support others in the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Also, attendees learned from each other and our speakers, and a good time was had by all!



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January 26, 2025 Service for the Lord's Day 10:30 AM

PRELUDE *Come, Holy Spirit, Dove Divine* H.P.Smith/C.Berry

WELCOME

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OPENING PRAYER

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

Jesus comes to proclaim good news to us all!

Jesus releases those who are captive, gives sight to the blind, helps the oppressed, and declares the year of the Lord's favor!

May we go and do likewise, offering hope to a hurting world.

And may it all begin with our worship of God.

*OPENING HYMN #50 *Deep in the Shadows of the Past* A.M.Gay

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Gracious God, we are far from the people you have called us to be. We are mired in self-centeredness, seeing things only in terms of how they relate to us and our happiness. Turn our hearts, bent as they are towards ourselves, out to the world around us. Make us more concerned with others, with their welfare and happiness, leaving our own concerns to you, O God. Forgive us for our many mistakes and make us anew we pray. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI (#581) H.W.Greatorex

PASSING OF PEACE

REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH and welcoming new members of CPC

FAMILY TEACHING MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

Loving God, may your Spirit be with each of us, showing us your Word and your Way. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

ANTHEM *The Heavens are Telling* L.vBeethoven/VGGT

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 4:14-21

SERMON "Hitting the Refresh Button" Rev. Marcus C. Lambright

*RESPONSIVE HYMN #301 *Let Us Build a House* M.Haugen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Agnus Dei* M.W.Smith

*DOXOLOGY (#606) Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #792 *There Is a Balm in Gilead* African American spiritual/
M.V.Costen

*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE *Jesus Shall Reign* L.J.Hatton/C.Berry

**Those who are able, please stand.*