

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022

10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006

Rev. Vivian L. Rodeffer, Pastor

Ms. Maxine Alstrom, Music Director



PRELUDE

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Romans 8: 28

Pastor Viv

“Be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is in our midst, forming us to be God’s own people.

Though the way may be difficult, God will be with us.

We need not fear.

In the Lord we will take our refuge, for God is our strength.

Come to the Lord who will surround you with God’s own righteousness.

Lord, open our hearts and our spirits as we worship you this day.

*HYMN #100

“God, Whose Love is Reigning O’er Us”

**1 God, whose love is reigning o'er us,
source of all, the ending true;
hear the universal chorus
raised in joyful praise to you:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
worship ancient, worship new.**

**2 Word of God from nature bringing
springtime green and autumn gold;
mountain streams like children singing,
ocean waves like thunder bold:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
as creation's tale is told.**

**3 Lift we then our human voices
in the songs that faith would bring;
live we then in human choices
lives that, like our music sing:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
joined in love our praises ring!**

GATHERED PRAYER

Hear our prayers, O God, as we come to sing your praises. Bless us with your steadfast love, in times of peace and in times of trial. Make your presence known to us this day, for we seek to know you better. Enliven us with your Spirit of truth, and increase our faith, even as we place our hope and trust in you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

John 14: 15-27

Joan Olszweski, Reader

Jesus said: 15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

18 "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. 19 In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them." 22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?" 23 Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. 24 Whoever does not

love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE MESSAGE WEEK 4: THE FRUIT OF GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT
Peace, Christ's Gift to Us

DEDICATION OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, We come before you in gratitude for all your blessings, whether in body, mind or spirit. We ask that you will empower us to embrace love, hope and peace and to bring these to all we encounter. Indeed, help us to bring peace on this earth. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God the source of all our gifts!
 Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE MORNING PRAYER, SILENT PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

HYMN #431**“Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

1 Let there be peace on earth
 And let it begin with me
 Let there Be Peace on Earth
 The peace that was meant to be
 With God our Creator
 Children all are we
 Let us walk with each other
 In perfect harmony.

2 Let peace begin with me
 Let this be the moment now.
 With ev'ry step I take
 Let this be my solemn vow
 To take each moment and live
 Each moment in peace eternally
 Let there be peace on earth
 And let it begin with me

BENEDICTION*Philippians 4: 9**

Jesus said, “The things which you have learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do and the God of peace will be with you.” **Amen.**

*** POSTLUDE**

***Stand as able.**

PRAYERS for the **Ingra family** as they mourn the loss of Ken’s brother, **Charles**.
 Special prayers for Charles’ wife, **Nicole**.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR may be given “In Memory Of” or “In Honor Of” by calling Louise Woodcox (973-227-2924) or Ellen (973-226-4410) at the church office. Cost is \$15. We are no longer using the Flower Chart that used to hang outside of the church kitchen.

17th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING Advertising space is available in the 2022 Golf Journal. There are forms on the table in the lobby or you may contact Ken Ingra at 201-410-1940 or keningra@optonline.net. Requests for ads, along with artwork and payment are due by September 2nd.

If you would like to volunteer to help at the Golf Outing on September 20 please contact Barbara Ingra at 973-632-6810.