SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006 Rev. Kil Jae Park, Pastor



PRELUDE "Here I Am to Worship" Helen Jung

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Park

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Children of God: welcome!

P: Welcome to this place of love and grace,

L: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

P: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

L: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

P: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

L: In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

* OPENING HYMN

"To God Be the Glorv"

UMH # 98

1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

- 2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. (Refrain)
- 3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we humble ourselves before You as we come to worship you this day. We confess to You, not only our sins of omission in failing to do what we

know is right, but also our sins of commission in doing what You forbid. O Lord, we are weak and feeble, slow to confess our sins and prone to wander from the path of righteousness. Do not deal with us as our sins deserve but wash us clean in the blood of the Lamb and empower us by Your Spirit to live to honor and serve our Savior King. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven. P: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

GATHERING SONG

"Thou Art Worthy"

TFWS # 2041

Thou art worthy,
Thou art worthy,
Thou art worthy, O Lord,
To receive glory,
Glory and honor,
Glory and honor and power
For Thou hast created,
hast all things created,
Thou hast created all things;
And for Thy pleasure
they are created Thou art worthy, O Lord.

SCRIPTURE

Acts 16:16-34

16 Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling.

- 17 She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved."
- 18 She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her.
- 19 When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities.
- 20 They brought them before the magistrates and said, "These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar
- 21 by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice."
- 22 The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods.
- 23 After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully.

24 When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.

26 Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.

- 27 The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped.
- 28 But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!"
- 29 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas.
- 30 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"
- 31 They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."
- 32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house.
- 33 At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized.

34 The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM "Goodness of God" Solo by Joyce Francavilla

MESSAGE "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" Pastor Park

RECEIVING THE MORNING'S OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY # 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Park

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH # 13

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,

always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

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.

* CLOSING HYMN

"He Touched Me"

UMH # 367

Shackled by a heavy burden, 'neath a load of guilt and shame, then the hand of Jesus touched me, and now I am no longer the same.

He touched me, O he touched me, and O the joy that floods my soul!

Something happened, and now I know, he touched me, and made me whole.

Since I've met this blessed Savior since he's cleansed and made me whole, I will never cease to praise him; I'll shout it while eternity rolls.

He touched me, O he touched me, and O the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened, and now I know, he touched me and made me whole.

* BENEDICTION Pastor Park

POSTLUDE "You Are the King of Glory"

Helen Jung

Announcements:

- We extend our special welcome to Helen Jung who is serving as our guest musician today.
- Altar Flowers are given by JeeYoung Park to the Glory of God.

^{*}Stand as able

- Special thanks to JeeYoung Park who will be hosting the time of Fellowship today. Please join us for fellowship immediately following the worship service.
- We invite you to join us in the weekly Bible reading program. The question sheet can be picked up every Sunday from the back of the church or receive it in your email every Sunday afternoon. Reading the Bible each day will help us to grow in our faith. We are reading the Book of Numbers.
- We are now accepting orders for geraniums to decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost. The flowers can be ordered in memory or in honor of someone dear to you. To order flowers please see the insert in this bulletin.
- The Caldwell Food Pantry is in need of these items: oatmeal, pancakes, syrup, peanut butter & jelly, canned tuna, snacks, cookies, shelf fruit. Collection deadline is Sunday, June 8th. Thank you for your contributions.

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Coming Up This Week
Ongoing - food pantry donations gratefully accepted

Celebrating Birthdays This Week:

Amy Hansen – June 2nd
Kathy Zajac – June 3rd
Catherine Wallace – June 6th
Donna Pierce – June 7th