

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Rev. Kil Jae Park, Pastor

Worship Music: Rosalyn McClore



PRELUDE

“Just As I Am”

UMH # 357

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Park

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Wherever you go, from the top of the highest mountain or into the deep abysses of the earth, God knows you.

P: Wherever we go, God knows our name.

L: Whatever you do, from the time you wake up until you lay your head down again, God knows you.

P: Whatever we do, God knows our name.

L: However you live, from your inner thoughts to your public acts and everything in between, God knows you.

P: However we live, God knows our name.

L: We gather to worship God, who loves us, knows us, and calls us by name.

P: We gather to worship God, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God who knows our name!

OPENING HYMN

“Maker, in Whom We Live”

UMH # 88

1. Maker, in whom we live,
in whom we are and move,
the glory, power, and praise receive
for thy creating love.
Let all the angel throng
give thanks to God on high,
while earth repeats the joyful song
and echoes to the sky.

2. Incarnate Deity,
let all the ransomed race
render in thanks their lives to thee
for thy redeeming grace.
The grace to sinners showed
ye heavenly choirs proclaim,
and cry, "Salvation to our God,
salvation to the Lamb!"

3. Spirit of Holiness,
let all thy saints adore
thy sacred energy, and bless

thine heart-renewing power.
 Not angel tongues can tell
 thy love's ecstatic height,
 the glorious joy unspeakable,
 the beatific sight.

4. Eternal, Triune God,
 let all the hosts above,
 let all on earth below record
 and dwell upon thy love.
 When heaven and earth are fled
 before thy glorious face,
 sing all the saints thy love hath made
 thine everlasting praise.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess to you that we have not loved you with all our heart, soul, and strength, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have fallen short of your glory in thought, word, and deed, and we have left undone those things we ought to have done. We acknowledge our tendency to wander and fail to follow your call, seeking idols for comfort and value instead of relying on your truth and grace. Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love. Create in us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation, and help us to live as your people, strengthened in our faith and committed to your purposes. In the name of Christ 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

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

UMH # 328

Surely the presence
 Of the Lord is in this place
 I can feel His mighty power
 And His grace
 I can hear the brush of angel's wings
 I see glory on each face
 Surely the presence
 Of the Lord is in this place

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 1:1-6

1 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,

2 but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day

and night.

3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.

4 Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

6 For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

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

All: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

“Worthy Is the Lamb”

Rosalyn McClore

Thank you for the cross, Lord
 Thank you for the price You paid
 Bearing all my sin and shame
 In love You came
 And gave amazing grace
 Thank you for this love, Lord
 Thank you for the nail pierced hands
 Washed me in Your cleansing flow
 Now all I know
 Your forgiveness and embrace

Worthy is the Lamb
 Seated on the throne
 Crown You now with many crowns
 You reign victorious

High and lifted up
 Jesus Son of God
 The treasure of Heaven crucified
 Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb

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 Crown You now with many crowns
 You reign victorious

MESSAGE

“A Blessed Life”

Pastor Park

PRAISE

“At the Cross”

Rosalyn McClore

Alas! and did my Savior bleed,
 and did my Sovereign die?
 Would he devote that sacred head

for sinners such as I?

Refrain:

***At the cross, at the cross,
where I first saw the light,
and the burden of my heart rolled away;
it was there by faith I received my sight,
and now I am happy all the day.***

2. Was it for crimes that I have done,
he groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity Grace unknown
And love beyond degree!
(Refrain)

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

**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.

1. Sing them over again to me,
wonderful words of life;
let me more of their beauty see,
wonderful words of life;
words of life and beauty
teach me faith and duty.

Refrain:

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
wonderful words of life.

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
wonderful words of life.

2. Christ, the blessed one, gives to all
wonderful words of life;
sinner, list to the loving call,
wonderful words of life;
all so freely given,
wooing us to heaven.
(Refrain)

3. Sweetly echo the gospel call,
wonderful words of life;
offer pardon and peace to all,
wonderful words of life;
Jesus, only Savior,
sanctify forever.
(Refrain)

*** BENEDICTION**

Pastor Park

POSTLUDE

Please remain seated for the postlude

***Stand as able**

Announcements:

- Altar Flowers are given by Louise Woodcox to the Glory of God and in celebration of her birthday.

- Special thanks to Louise Woodcox for hosting the time of fellowship today. Please join us for fellowship immediately following the worship service.
- Fellowship Hour hosts are very much needed throughout the month of September. There is a signup sheet in the Guyn Room. Your ministry of welcome and hospitality is truly appreciated.
- We are looking for volunteers to serve as liturgists and/or scripture readers for the month of September. Please contact the church office or Pastor Park if you are able to volunteer.
- To those who write checks for their offering-our bank has requested that you write out the full name of the church i.e.: "Caldwell United Methodist Church" instead of using an abbreviation such as "CUMC".
- All are invited to join the choir workshop given by Rosalyn McClore our music ministry leader, on September 14th (next Sunday) immediately following worship. Please let Rosalyn know at RMCCLORE@gmail.com if you plan to attend.



Coming Up This Week

September 9 @ 7:30 pm – Golf Outing meeting

Happy Birthday to:

Louise Woodcox – September 7
Cooper Jack Winkler – September 9
Tracy Ripa – September 12
Bogdan Voca – September 12