

**SUNDAY, September 11, 2022**  
**Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006**  
**Rev. Vivian L. Rodeffer, Pastor**

**14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**Ms. Maxine Alstrom, Music Director**



## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME**

**Pastor Viv**

## **“SEPTEMBER 11” CALL TO WORSHIP**

We remember the first time we heard the news. We recall the first time we saw those images. We remember the way our thoughts and prayers were with those families who lost loved ones. Our thoughts and prayers are with them again today.

**O God of Comfort - though the years have passed, you are faithful still.  
Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.**

We remember those who survived. We recall their heart-breaking stories. We remember that their lives are forever scarred by those moments. Our thoughts and prayers are with them again today.

**O God of Healing - though the years have passed, you are faithful still.  
Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.**

We remember the pain we felt. We recall the bereavement and bitterness of the aftermath. We remember that you are a God of redemption and restoration. Help us forgive those who caused so much trauma, and that we may find release in that forgiveness.

**O God of forgiveness - though the years have passed, you are faithful still.**

**Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.**

We remember that you love the world.

We recall you sent your Son to bring reconciliation and salvation.

We remember your Spirit inhabits your Church.

Help us bring your comfort and peace to all.

**O God of hope - though the years have passed, you are faithful still.**

**Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.**

**\*HYMN #698**

**“God of the Ages”**

**1. God of the ages, whose almighty hand  
leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.**

**2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past;  
in this free land with thee our lot is cast;  
be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay,  
thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.**

**3. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;  
thy true religion in our hearts increase;  
thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.**

**4. Refresh thy people on their toilsome way;  
lead us from night to never-ending day;  
fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.**

**SCRIPTURE**

**Hebrews 11: 1-3 & 2: 1**



**1 When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word  
 What a glory He sheds on our way!  
 While we do His good will, He abides with us still  
 And with all who will trust and obey  
 Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
 To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey**

**2 Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies  
 But His smile quickly drives it away  
 Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh or a tear  
 Can abide while we trust and obey  
 Oh, Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
 To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey**

**3 Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet  
 Or we'll walk by His side in the way  
 What He says we will do, where He sends we will go  
 Never fear, only trust and obey  
 Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
 To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**Hebrews 11: 1-6**

May the God who created the worlds from things unseen give you unshakeable faith to stake your life and future, not on the things that are temporal and tangible, but on the things that are invisible and eternal. **Amen.**

**\* POSTLUDE**

**\*Stand as able.**

**CALENDAR**

**Monday, September 12      10:00 AM PRAYER/DISCUSSION GROUP  
    7:00 PM NURTURE, OUTREACH & MISSION**

**Wednesday, September 13      7:00 PM PRAYER CIRCLE: HARP AND SONG**

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Join Rev. Frederick Boyle and Rev. Karen Gazzillo for a quiet candlelight service to rest your soul and invite God's Holy Spirit into your life. This first Circle will be held this Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM.