

SUNDAY, September 13, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Rev. Kil Jae Park, Pastor

Worship Music: Rosalyn McClore



PRELUDE “Come Ye Faithful Raise the Strain” Rosalyn McClore

WELCOME AND INVOCATION Pastor Park

*** OPENING HYMN “Crown Him with Many Crowns” UMH # 327**

1. Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

2. Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

3. Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

4. Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail
throughout eternity.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we are quick to judge. We look at those who practice faith differently and draw lines. We look down on those who disagree with us. We condemn those whose convictions differ from our own. In our pride, we forget that you are the only judge. We forget that you have welcomed them just as you have welcomed us. Forgive our harsh words and our critical hearts. Help us to stop judging one another. Teach us to build each other up in love. In the name of Jesus our Lord 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

Pastor Park

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

Romans 14:1-12

1 Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarreling over disputable matters.

2 One person's faith allows them to eat anything, but another, whose faith is weak, eats only vegetables.

3 The one who eats everything must not treat with contempt the one who does not, and the one who does not eat everything must not judge the one who does, for God has accepted them.

4 Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall. And they will stand, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

5 One person considers one day more sacred than another; another considers every day alike. Each of them should be fully convinced in their own mind.

6 Whoever regards one day as special does so to the Lord. Whoever eats meat does so to the Lord, for they give thanks to God; and whoever abstains does so to the Lord and gives thanks to God.

7 For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone.

8 If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

9 For this very reason, Christ died and returned to life so that he might be the Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat.

11 It is written: "As surely as I live," says the Lord, "every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God."

12 So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" Elizabeth Smith

MESSAGE "Welcoming Faith" Pastor Park

OFFERING Worshiping God through our gifts

***DOXOLOGY** UMH # 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

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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** "Help Us Accept Each Other" UMH # 560

1 Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

2 Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them, or as they may become.

3 Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
in living situations to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.

4 Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread,
we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on;
renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

*** BENEDICTION**

Pastor Park

POSTLUDE

"God How Can We Forgive"

Rosalyn McClore

***Stand as able**



Announcements:

- We welcome all of you to our Sunday worship service today. We are glad that you are joining us this morning in person as well as online.
- Altar flowers this morning are given by Roseangela DeLuca to the Glory of God.
- Please join us for fellowship immediately following the worship service.
- Our 21st Annual Golf Outing will take place on September 29th to benefit not only our church but also our community.

We invite you to come and be part of this special event as a golfer, dinner guest, or volunteer. Please pray for a safe, enjoyable, and successful outing. Thank you for your support!

- Please note that we now have Joy and Concern cards in the back of the pew. If you have joys or concerns you would like to share with the church family or Pastor Park, please fill out a card and place it in the offering plate during the offertory time.



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