



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 22, 2024

Welcome

The Bell is Rung

Prelude "Prelude for Organ, No. 36" by C. H. Rinck

Call to Worship from Jennifer Brownnell of *RevGalBlogPals*

When we cry, wipe our eyes.

When we stumble, catch us.

When we are hungry, feed us.

When we are ill, soothe us.

When we are weary, cover us with the warmth of your love.

God, you comfort us today and every day. Amen.

Let us continue in worship together.

Hymn

"You Are the One"

Sing! Prayer and Praise #67

You are the One who sees me.
You are the One who hears me when I call.
Even when I run away from you,
you still speak my name,
calling me back to you.

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you still speak my name,
calling me back to you.

Even when my enemies oppress
and my soul is in distress,
I will run into the shelter of you.
In you I find the grace to stay
and face the trials in my way.
You'll sustain and strengthen me as I go through.

You are the One who sees me.
You are the One who hears me when I call.
Even when I run away from you,
you still speak my name,
calling me back to you.

Unison Prayer Inspired by Matthew 11:28-30

Written by John Birch, Faith and Worship

In times of weakness and hour of need,
yours is the strength by which we carry on,
the shoulder we rest our head upon.
When our load is heavy and too much to bear,
yours are the arms stretched out to help us
the grace that we depend on.
In times of weakness and hour of need,
your voice is heard,
'Come... find rest.'
This is grace divine,
the path we tread to wholeness
of body and spirit,
the path that leads to you,
and for which we offer our offering of praise.

Assurance of God's Love

Friends, please rise if you wish.

Passing of the Peace

Filled with this joy of togetherness, we share the Peace of Jesus Christ; may it find its way into the hearts of all around the world... Friends, with this in our hearts...

May the Peace of the Risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us offer one another a sign of peace!

Please be seated.

Joys, Celebrations and Concerns

Friends, we now invite you to share your Joys, Celebrations and Concerns. Please wait for the microphone and respond with:

“God, hear our prayers.”

The Prayer of Jesus, (from The New Zealand Anglican Prayer Book)

Eternal Spirit, Earthmaker, Painbearer, Lifegiver,

Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father, Mother, Guardian of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom

sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,

now and forever. Amen

Grateful for the life you give us,
thankful for your Holy One,
joyful in your Spirit flowing overall,
O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word.
Joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you.

You are more than we imagine,
Ancient, Holy, Living God.
Even when we doubt your presence
you are faithful to your Word.

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thankful for your Holy One,
joyful in your Spirit flowing overall,
O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word.
Joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you.

May our lives proclaim your justice,
may our voices sing your praise.
May our hands work in your service
to the glory of your name.

Grateful for the life you give us,
thankful for your Holy One,
joyful in your Spirit flowing overall,
O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word.
Joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you.

First Reading: Psalm 51, 10-14 (Good News Bible)

- ¹⁰ Create a pure heart in me, O God,
and put a new and loyal spirit in me.
- ¹¹ Do not banish me from your presence;
do not take your holy spirit away from me.
- ¹² Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation,
and make me willing to obey you.
- ¹³ Then I will teach sinners your commands,
and they will turn back to you.
- ¹⁴ Spare my life, O God, and save me,
and I will gladly proclaim your righteousness.

The Chancel Choir "Where I Find God" by James Ahrend

Second Reading: Book of Acts - 1 Peter 1:22-23
(New American Standard Bible)

²² Since you have purified your souls in obedience to the truth for a sincere love of the brothers and sisters, fervently love one another from [a]the heart, ²³ for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable, but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God.

Message "A Great Awakening"
Peter Maust, Congregational Voice

Invitation to Give

We welcome your offerings at this time and invite you to place your prayer and information cards in the plate as we sing our Church Covenant.



Sayville Congregational United Church of Christ

For more than a century and a half, Sayville's Congregational Church has served families on the South Shore of Long Island and has been a voice for the progressive Protestant tradition. A member of the United Church of Christ since it was established in 1957, today we continue to celebrate God's love, to advocate and act for the oppressed, and to welcome all those on their spiritual journey, from wherever they may come. Thank you for joining us. Please contact us at any time for more information about our congregation or with any questions you may have for us.

Thank You, Worship Leadership!

Peter Maust, Congregational Voice

Sean Cameron, Music Director

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Peace. Shalom. Salaam. For the ways of peace are many.
"Namaste"