

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 15, 2020 11:00 AM
Minister: The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie

PRELUDE

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Though storms rage around us, we will clothe ourselves with the armor of God.

People: We will fasten the belt of truth around our waists.

Leader We will use strength and determination as our shoes to aid us in ministry and mission for God.

People: We will take up the shield of faith which shall defend against evil ways.

Leader: We will pray diligently at all times, offering prayers and supplication to God.

People: The helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit will accompany us on the journey.

Leader: Be strong in the Lord who provides for our every need.

All: Let Us Worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)* Gracious God, we confess that we have longed too much for the comforts of this world. We have loved the gifts more than the giver. In your mercy, help us to see that all the things we long for are shadows, but you are mountain. They are shifting, but you are anchor. We plead your forgiveness on the merits of Jesus Christ. Accept his worthiness for our unworthiness, his sinlessness for our transgressions, his fullness for our emptiness, his glory for our shame, his righteousness for our dead works, his death for our life. In Jesus's name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

WAVING PEACE / WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL MUSIC: "You Are Mine"

A TIME FOR THOSE WHO ARE YOUNG

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 34:15-22

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: John 6:56-69

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

"You Can't Always Get What You Want"

HYMN

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Apostle's Creed

SPECIAL MUSIC: "I Will Never Be the Same Again"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Larison's Corner! We are pleased you are here with us. We hope you feel the warmth of God's love in our fellowship and worship. It is our hope that you return again soon. Until then, may God bless you and keep you in the palm of his hands.

Session

(Session meetings are the second Tuesday at 7:30 pm)

Class of 2020

Marlene Lambert
Charlie Rogers

Class of 2021

Betty Jane Biache
Ruth Chiesa

Class of 2022

David Bond
Lois Riggs
Dianne Fleming

Other Ordained Elders

Betty Jane Biache

Donna DeVico

Judy Grignon

Bill Heilman

Arlene Knaub

Paula Melbourne

Barbra Moser

Jodi Reed

Lysa Reiter

Christian Schiotz

Doug Wehman

Board of Trustees

(Board of Trustees meets the first Tuesday at 7:30 pm)

Class of 2020

Bill Kurylo
Treacy Weeks

Class of 2021

Kyle Bond

Class of 2022

John Chiesa
David Everitt

Corner Club

President - Betty Jane Biache

Vice President - Lois Riggs

Secretary - Ruth Chiesa

Treasurer - Barri-Lynn Everitt

Officiary

The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie, Stated-Supply Part-Time Pastor

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Psalm 34:15-22 - 15The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry. 16The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. 17When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles. 18The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit. 19Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all. 20He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken. 21Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. 22The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

John 6:56-69

56Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. 57Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. 58This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” 59He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.60When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” 61But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? 62Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? 63It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. 64But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. 65And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” 66Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. 67So Jesus asked the twelve,

“Do you also wish to go away?” 68Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY - In order to be safe and show love and respect for one another, we observe the following: staying home if not well, wearing masks during service, refraining from singing, and sitting 6-feet apart if not family. Communion served in sealed containers. Hand sanitizer and wipes will be available and the pastor is behind Pexiglass and a clear shield. The sanctuary has been thoroughly cleaned and we use ONE bathroom. FacebookLive & Worship recordings are on YouTube.

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING & REMEMBRANCE – NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd at 11 AM – This Sunday, is the annual “Service of Thanksgiving & Remembrance.” During worship, we give thanks for those who passed away. Names will be listed in the bulletin and prayers will be said in remembrance. Everyone is invited to submit names from Larison’s Corner and any individual. We are asking for the following info: Name of individual and their relationship to you. **Deadline is THIS Friday, November 20th.**

DONATIONS FOR THE THOMAS LAMBERT FUND

The Thomas Lambert fund collection begins today. Donations submitted will be used to support individuals and causes during the Christmas Season. Thomas Lambert was a dedicated and faithful member of Larison’s Corner for many years and his life had a great impact on our church and in our community. This collection honors his life and legacy. Checks should be made out to Larison’s Corner with a note in the memo saying, “Thomas Lambert Fund.”

ZOOM ADVENT CRAFTS – Lois Riggs will be arranging for pre-packaged craft kits to make Christmas crafts during Advent. These will be made together via Zoom. See Lois for more info.



**CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE BY THE DOZEN
THREE WEEKENDS IN DECEMBER (12/5-6,
12/12-13, & 12/19-20), The Everitt Farm, 258
County Road 579, Ringoes, NJ 08551** The

Annual Corner Club Christmas Sale will be held this year at the shop at The Everitt Farm next to the Christmas Tree Sale. A dozen of the same cookie can be bought for \$7 Saturdays & Sundays on December 5 & 6, December 12 & 13, and December 19 & 20. Masks are worn inside the store and all customers stand appropriate distance apart. At the store, folks can buy one bag of cookies or as many as they like from the store cashier. *Volunteers are needed to bake Christmas Cookies to contribute to the sale. If you are willing to bake cookies, you can bake them for one weekend or all three. Cookies should be given to Betty Jane and/or BarriLynn by Friday to make sure bags are ready for sale on Saturday/Sunday. For more information, contact Barri-Lynn or Betty Jane.*



**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT
WORSHIP - 7- 7:45 PM** A socially

distanced and safe indoor Christmas Eve Candlelight Service from 7-7:45 PM on December 24th inside our sanctuary. We wear masks, no singing, staying home if feeling ill, 6-feet apart if not family, hand sanitizer/wipes, and preacher behind pexiglass/face-shield. Come join us as we celebrate the birth of Christ. An outside service will follow at The Everitt Farm 8-8:30 PM. Services will be also be available online through FacebookLive and YouTube.



**LARISON'S CORNER CHURCH CHRISTMAS
EVE SERVICE ON THE FARM 8 – 8:30 PM –
The Everitt Farm, 258 County Road 579,
Ringoes, NJ 08551:** There will be Live

Animals, a Live Nativity, a Telling of the Christmas Story, a Mini Homily, Singing of Carols around the Fire Barrel, Socially-Distanced and Safe with Hot Chocolate and Cookies.

PER CAPITA – In support for New Brunswick Presbytery, NE Synod Staff & Mission, and The General Assembly Staff & Mission, our church is asked submit “dues/or per capita” equal to \$34.50 per member. Please mark it for Per Capita

PRAYERS OF JOY – Praise to God for **good health, beautiful children, and a lovely home**; Thanksgiving to God for the many **blessings** which He has showered upon us as Americans and also as members of Larison’s Corner Presbyterian Church, **Thanksgiving for God and for the miracles** He is working in each of us, We give **praise to God that he gave his only son on the cross that we might have eternal life**; Prayers for the days of **beautiful fall weather**; Prayers of Joy for **Treacy Everitt’s Birthday**; Joy for **sunshine** yesterday; Joy and special concern for **Jordan Thompson** who has a birthday today; Prayers of joy that **John Chiesa** got a good report on his shoulder and that it is healing nicely as he stays in rehab another week until the shoulder sling can come off; Thanksgiving that **Ruth can enjoy taking care of her grandson**; Joy for **Barri-Lynn, Dave, and their family** as they enjoy Disney, relaxing, and having nice family dinners together; Joy for **successful soup sale**, Joy that **Dianne** is doing well and making progress in her recovery; Thankful for a **small group of widows** who support each other; Joy that there might be a vaccine available for COVID; Prayers of Thanksgiving knowing that **God has a plan for our country** because He knows all things and sees the whole picture, while we see a brief moment; Joy that **Danelle Horvath is in school** to become a CNA, Joy for **embracing the holiday season early** this year and loving every minute!, **We offer you our praise and thanksgiving, Lord, for our many blessings!**

PRAYERS OF CONCERN - Ongoing prayers for **Dianne Fleming** (Hunterdon Care Center), Prayers for **John Chiesa** (Merwick), Prayers for those with **Covid-19 & their families**; Prayers for doctors and nurses and for a cure; Prayers for the **Gillberg Family** for the loss of their loved one, Jan, Prayers for **Lisa Bogg’s friend, Jed Doritis**, who had challenging reports regarding his cancer returning for a 3rd time, Prayers for **Betty Jane’s leg** that’s acting up; Prayers for **Charlie Rogers** in his upcoming surgery; Prayers for **Joan Rogers** with a health concern; Prayers for **Donna**

DeVico and her time with Kristin in Maine; Prayers for **Donna DeVico's friend, Dave**, who is having health concerns with post-op, Prayers of healing and strength for **Gianna, Ashley, Amy, and Rachel's husband**; Prayers for **strength** to get through a very difficult time right now with all the obligations placed upon us as humans, Prayers for **our country to unite and diminish the negativity that surrounds us during this time, and to see the positivity**; Prayers for Amy from the Belltones who is having a biopsy this Wednesday; Prayers for **Laura from the Belltones** who has just tested positive for COVID; Prayers for **Zena** as she has one more week of intensive writing in her PhD studies; Prayers for **Sheryl's husband, David**, with serious health concerns; Prayers for **David Kokinda's** shoulder fracture and for patience and tolerance; Prayers for **Riley Vavrence** in her continued fight with leukemia, and that her levels would be right to continue treatment on Tuesday; Prayers for **Julie Thro's mom** who is now on hospice and where her father can visit her mom every day now; Prayers for **Delane's father and aunt**; Prayers for **those who are grieving**, Prayers for **those struggling physically and emotionally**; Prayers for **Christine** who is a young mother of two and is having high blood pressure concerns and possible loss of vision; Prayers for **those in the path of destruction and those recovering from natural disasters** including hurricanes, fires, etc. Prayers for **Gillian's mom** in a nursing home; Prayers for **the family and loved ones** of a little girl who was killed in a car accident in VA Beach; Prayers for **Rush Limbaugh, Nancy Hewett, Winky Evans, RL Hewitt, Larry Jenkins**; Prayers for **all who are suffering from cancer**, Prayers for **all those who suffer from intractable back pain** that Jesus would heal them in His holy and blessed name, Prayers for **all those who have staff suffered strokes and the effects of dementia** that Jesus would heal them in His holy and blessed name, Prayers that **as a nation we would ask forgiveness for our sins**, repent of our sins and that the Lord would heal our land as it says in 2 Chronicles 7:14; Prayers for a senior in high school, **Gianna**, who is concerned about school, Prayers for a **widow and mother of three** who asks for peace of mind and is looking for a place to live; Prayers that **something can be done about "this whole COVID thing,"** Prayers for **Mary Ellen in Kansas** who is feeling isolated and hasn't see her family in 18 mos and has to stop going to the gym due to

Covid and working 7 days a week; Prayers for **those in Kansas** where Covid is spreading very fast; Prayers for **friends suffering from COVID and Chronic Illnesses**; Prayers for **Cheri Webb** with a bad cold; Prayers for **fear to leave people and the spirit of God to enter them**; Prayers for **Teresa B** who is having trouble with vertigo; Continued prayers for a peaceful government transition; Prayers for **Dan Emmon's friend, Paul**, who is having a lot of marital issues; Prayers that **God teaches us how to encourage ourselves**; Prayers for **peace at work**; Prayers for **individuals and families who are struggling financially and concerned about the holidays**; Prayers for healing for **Bob Barton's eyes**; Prayers for **Thomas Fasano**, a college student, who is struggling with isolation due to COVID and missing his friends and wants a higher paying job; Prayers for **Cath**, whose husband Wilf died very suddenly this week, and now she is left alone to care for a severely disabled 23 year old son, Sean; Prayers for **Fiona**, Courtney's cousin, who has COVID, Prayers for a pastor in Eastern New Jersey to **know how to pace herself and take care of herself to be able to serve God's world faithfully**; Prayers that **things would settle down in the USA**; Prayers for **the election process** to be resolved; Prayers for **a mother who struggles with her relationship with her son**; Prayers for **all to overcome discouragement**; Prayers that **people would stop posting lies** on social media; Prayers for **Abby and Emily** who are both moving out of their current living situations where one is having a break-up with her boyfriend; Prayers for **the "crazy world we are living in,"** Prayers for **Beth Evan's, Aunt Faye who is on hospice, and for Beth's mother** as they travel to see Faye today; Prayers for **a fallen nation**; Prayers for **Whitney's childhood friend, Lisa**, who just lost her mom a few days ago; Prayers for **Hanneke** as she grieves her husband's passing on the year December anniversary of his death; Prayers for **the kids** who need to go back to school as this is affecting them directly and indirectly; Prayers for **Danelle Horvath** with some health problems; *Oh, Lord, hear our prayers.*