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# SUNDAY WORSHIP, JUNE 19, 2022, 11:00 AM

## “Father’s Day Sunday”

Minister: The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie

### GREETING AND WELCOME

### OPENING PRAYER

#### CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 68:4-5, 19)

Leader: Come, sing praises to God! Rejoice in his presence!

People: For he is our God: a Father to the fatherless,

Leader: And the defender of all who need protection;

People: The One in whom the lonely find a home,

Leader: And the prisoner finds release.

People: Bless the Lord, the God of our salvation,

Leader: Who sustains and strengthens us, day after day!

ALL: Let us worship God!

### HYMN THIS IS MY FATHER’S WORLD

This is my Father's world. And to my listening ears, all nature sings and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world: the birds their carols raise, the morning light, the lily white; declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world he shines in all that's fair; in the rustling grass I can hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget And though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world. Why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King, let heavens ring. God reigns, let the earth be glad. The Lord is King, let heavens ring. God reigns, let the earth be glad.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

O God, Father that you are, you know what is right for us, but too often we only want our way or no way, instead of your way. Have mercy upon us when we turn from you. Forgive us when we do not realize your fatherly love and direction for us. Have mercy upon us indeed, and teach us anew how to follow you, Father that you are. We pray this through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**GLORIA PATRI** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / WAVING THE PEACE

## **HYMN HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US**

How deep the Father's love for us? How vast beyond all measure? That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss? The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon a cross My sin upon His shoulders Ashamed I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything No gifts, no power, no wisdom But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

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## **FATHER'S DAY PRAYER LITANY**

**Leader:** Blessed are you Lord our God, creator and redeemer of all;

**People:** You father us from all eternity giving life to creation and pouring your love into all you have made.

**Leader:** From the beginning we have known you as "Father", and all our families have their origin in you. Through the love of earthly fathers you give us a glimpse of your everlasting love.

**People:** We give thanks for those fathers who strive to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. And we pray for those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become good fathers.

**Leader:** We thank You for those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support.

**People:** We also give thanks for those fathers who, despite divorce, have remained in their children's lives and for those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has offered healing.

**Leader:** We thank you for those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earn their step-children's love and respect.

**People:** And we ask your special blessing on those fathers who have lost a child to death, and who continue to hold those children in their hearts.

**Leader:** We also give thanks for those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own. We pray for those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides

**People:** We ask your blessings on those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.

**Leader:** And we continue to pray for those fathers who have died, but live on in our memories and whose love continues to nurture us.

**All:** May the love of our earthly fathers draw us ever nearer to you and perfect in us the image of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## **A TIME FOR THOSE WHO ARE YOUNG**

### **RECOGNITION OF FATHERS**

#### **HYMN THE FAMILY OF GOD**

I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God, I've been washed in the fountain,  
cleansed by His blood! Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod, For I'm part of the  
family, The Family of God.

You will notice we say "brother and sister" 'round here, It's because we're a  
family and these are so near; When one has a heartache, we all share the tears, And  
rejoice in each victory in this family so dear.

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From the door of an orphanage to the house of the King, No longer an outcast,  
a new song I sing; From rags unto riches, from the weak to the strong, I'm not  
worthy to be here, but praise God I belong!

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#### **FATHER'S DAY SCRIPTURES – The People of God**

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE** Matthew 7:7-11 7 “Ask, and it will be given to you;  
search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. 8 For everyone  
who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the  
door will be opened. 9 Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for bread,  
would give a stone? 10 Or if the child asked for a fish, would give a snake? 11 If you, then,  
who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your  
Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

**MESSAGE** “He’s a Good, Good Father”

#### **HYMN HE KNOWS MY NAME**

I have a Maker, He formed my heart. Before even time began, my life was in His  
hand, He knows my name, He knows my every thought. He sees each tear that falls  
and hears me when I call.

I have a Father, He calls me His own, He’ll never leave me no matter where I go.  
He knows my name, He knows my every thought. He sees each tear that falls and  
hears me when I call.

#### **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**DOXOLOGY** 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.

## SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

*Christine Heilman Molini, June 21, Kinley Barzona, June 22, Taylor Heilman, June 22, Tara Burenga, June 23, Linda & Bob Barton Anniv, June 27*

*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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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 THE FATHER'S SONG

I have heard so many songs, listen to a thousand tongues, but there is one that sounds above them all; The Father's song, the Father's love, You sung it over me, and for eternity it's written on my heart. Heaven's perfect melody, the Creator's symphony; You are singing over me the Father's song. Heaven's perfect mystery the King of Love has sent for me...And now You're singing over me the Father's song.

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### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

### HYMN FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

Faith of our Fathers! living still. In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword: Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy Whene'er we hear that glorious word. Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Our Fathers, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free: How sweet would be their children's fate, if they, like them, could die for thee! Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Fathers! We will strive to win all nations unto Thee. And through the truth that comes from God mankind shall then be truly free. Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Fathers! we will love both friend and foe in all our strife: And preach thee too, as love knows how by kindly words and virtuous life: Faith of our Fathers! Holy Faith! We will be true to thee till death

### BENEDICTION

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WORSHIP every Sunday at 11 AM!** - Worship is live-streamed on Facebook at 11 AM; Recordings of worship available at a later date.

**THIS Wednesday, June 22, 3PM – Bible Study and Tea** – This study is led by Lois Riggs where we learn about “Bad Girls of The Bible.” Lois offers hot tea and treats. This study meets the second and fourth Wednesdays.

**NEXT Sunday, June 26, 1:30 - 4 PM – Bible Day Camp for Kids, “Under The Sea.”** We will have lots of fun with crafts, music, games, and Bible Stories. To REGISTER, VISIT: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/under-the-sea-bible-day-camp-tickets-349374016087> Volunteers are needed to help out! See Pastor Courtney for more info!

**Wednesday, June 29, 7 – 8:30 PM – In-Person & Zoom Bible Study led by Pastor Courtney** – Join us for the study of Bible Passages with both men and women. All are welcome! This study meets the first and third Wednesday.

**Sunday, July 3, 10 AM – The River Churches Joint Worship/Communion/Picnic at Holcombe Jimison Farmstead Under the Shade** - 1605 Daniel Bray Hwy, Lambertville, NJ 08530 / Bring You Own Chairs, Bug Repellent (if needed), Bring Potluck Lunch items to share. And, bring your own beverages

**Music Ministry Update: Choral Choir Rehearsal & Chimes’ Rehearsals are Thursday evenings.** All are invited to join the Choral Choir and/or the Chimes Choir. Do you play a musical instrument? Contact Sharon Keyes, Director of Music, for more info.

**Food Drive for Those in Need** – Help struggling families in our community with food & item needs. Items Needed: cereal, pancake mix and syrup, peanut butter and jelly, mac and cheese, pasta and sauce, tuna, soup, Chef Boyardee, toilet paper, and paper towels. Please place donations in the bin outside the side entrance of the church. . Kirkpatrick Presbyterian: 37 John Ringo Rd, Ringoes NJ, 08551 A donation box is here at Larison’s Corner and we drop the items there later. Know a family who needs help? contact Kirkpatrick Presbyterian 908.782.1177 or [admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org](mailto:admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org)

**Share Your Resources to Support the Ministry of Larison’s Corner –**

Ways to Give: 1. Leave a gift in the **worship offering** via cash or check; 2. **Mail in a gift** via check to Larison’s Corner Church, PO Box 348, Ringoes, NJ 08551; 3. Give Online through “Tithely” You can make an online gift, by visiting our website link at:

<https://larisonscorner.org/contributions/>. You may give on Facebook in

our “about” section or by clicking here: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=4558529> - Once in Tithely, you can set up a one-time gift, ongoing gifts, or a special gift. *\*Give today with your cell phone camera on the image to the right and follow the link.*



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