

Session

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

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The United First Presbyterian Church of Amwell at Larison's Corner



The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie, Pastor

Worship, August 21, 2022 11:00 AM
Minister: The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie

GREETING AND WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 121

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

People: He will not let your foot be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

People: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life.

Leader: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore

All: Let us worship God.

HYMN WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN #513 in Hymnal

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison) Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. In Jesus' Name, 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

A TIME FOR THOSE WHO ARE YOUNG

HYMN LEAD ME TO THE CROSS #A42

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Genesis 4:1-7, 8-16

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11:1-4

MEDITATION – "Just Add Water, Part 1 – Cain & Abel"

HYMN GIVE OF YOUR BEST TO THE MASTER #458 in Hymnal

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

Linda & Bob Kopunek Anniv, August 22 Bill & Cheryl Heilman Anniv, August 23, Jared Bunting, August 29, Emery Stinson, September 1

Tom Barzona, September 7, Christina Bethman, September 11

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 FOR THOSE TEARS I DIED #436 in Hymnal

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN TAKE MY LIFE #458 in Hymnal

BENEDICTION

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Genesis 4:1-7

1 Now the man knew his wife Eve, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have produced a man with the help of the Lord." 2 Next she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a tiller of the ground. 3 In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, 4 and Abel for his part brought of the firstlings of his flock, their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, 5 but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. 6 The Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your countenance fallen? 7 If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is lurking at the door; its desire is for you, but you must master it."

Genesis 4:8-16

8 Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let us go out to the field." And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel, and killed him. 9 Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" 10 And the Lord said, "What have you done? Listen; your brother's blood is crying out to me from the ground! 11 And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. 12 When you till the ground, it will no longer yield to you its strength; you will be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." 13 Cain said to the Lord, "My punishment is greater than I can bear! 14 Today you have driven me away from the soil, and I shall be hidden from your face; I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and anyone who meets me may kill me." 15 Then the Lord said to him, "Not so! Whoever kills Cain will suffer a sevenfold vengeance." And the Lord put a mark on Cain, so that no one who came upon him would kill him. 16 Then Cain went away from the presence of the Lord, and settled in the land of Nod east of Eden.

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11:1-4

1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2 Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. 3 By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. 4 By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain's. Through this he received approval as righteous, God himself giving approval to his gifts; he died, but through his faith he still speaks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP INSIDE every Sunday at 11 AM! - Worship is live-streamed on Facebook at 11 AM; Recordings available later.

THIS Wednesday, Bible Study and Tea, August 24, 3:00pm. Lois Riggs will be leading Tea & Bible Study which meets the second and fourth Wednesdays at 3pm. Tea and English pastries served. All men and women are invited to attend. Join anytime. At this study, we will be reflecting on Ruth.

Wednesday Night Bible Study, August, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, In-Person & Zoom Bible Study led by Pastor Courtney – Join us for the study of Bible Passages with both men and women. Study meets the first and third Wednesdays. All are welcome!

Music Ministry Do you play a musical instrument or can you offer a solo? Contact Sharon Keyes, our Director of Music!

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

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SAVE THE DATE:

Birdhouse Craft Night, Monday, September 12, 6:30-8:30 PM
Talent Night & Desserts, Friday, September 23, 6:30-8:30 PM
Church Picnic, Sunday, September 25 at noon after church



SERMON SERIES "JUST ADD WATER"
August 21-October 16

Without water, everything eventually dies. Similar to water, faith in Christ too adds a critical element for life. However, the word faith can mean a hundred different things to as many people. In this Sermon Series, we will explore faith as an essential component of walking with God as illustrated and demonstrated by the lives in Hebrews 11 - a gallery of real men and women who lived and died trusting and committing themselves to God and His promises.

Sunday, August 21 Part 1: "Just Add Water" Cain & Abel

Sunday, August 28 Part 2: "Just Add Water" Enoch

Sunday, September 4 Part 3: "Just Add Water" Moses

Sunday, September 11 Part 4: "Just Add Water" Noah

Sunday, September 18 Part 5: "Just Add Water" Abraham

Sunday, September 25 Part 6: "Just Add Water" Isaac and Jacob

Sunday, October 2 Part 7: "Just Add Water" Sarah

Sunday, October 9 Part 8: "Just Add Water" Joseph

Sunday, October 16 Part 9: "Just Add Water" Rahab