

## Session

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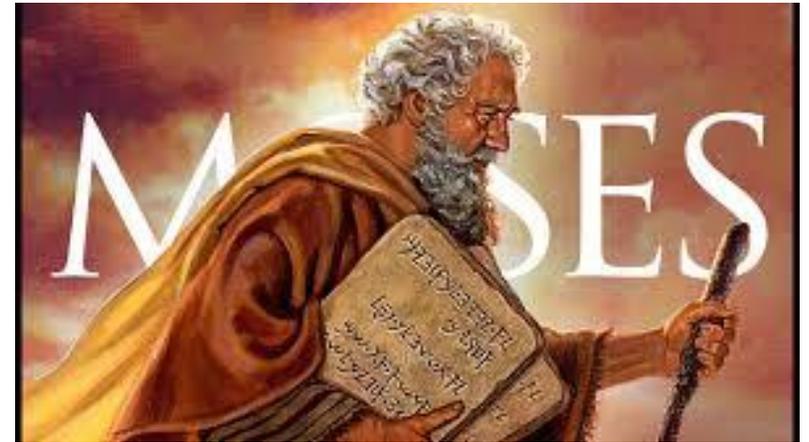
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## The United First Presbyterian Church of Amwell at Larison's Corner



The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie, Pastor

## Communion & Worship, September 4, 2022 11:00 AM

Minister: The Reverend Courtney B. Cromie

### GREETING AND WELCOME

### OPENING PRAYER

### CALL TO WORSHIP -

Leader: In this place, we come to praise The Living God.

**People:** In God, we find hope and live in the love from our Creator

Leader: Here in this sacred space, we are invited to the table of Joy.

**People:** We rejoice in Christ for grace is as near as God's heart.

Leader: On this day of beauty, we are filled with the peace of God.

**People:** We find our path in The Spirit and we learn to serve.

**ALL:** Let us Worship God!

### HYMN "GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH" #608 in Hymnal

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

*Dear God, you invite us and call us to your feast and yet our busy lives keep us from responding. You remember every word we utter and every prayer we whisper. But we forget each and all of the ways you care for us. You make your gentleness known through us, but we lash out in anger and have fear toward others. Forgive us, God of all hope, and remember us in your mercy. In Jesus Christ, we can follow in your way and we can open our arms and embrace all people we meet. Help us to lean on him. 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 "THE RIVER IS HERE" (INSERT)

### OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Exodus 32: 1-14

### NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

### MEDITATION – Part 3: "Just Add Water" Moses

### HYMN "BOUND FOR THE PROMISED LAND" (INSERT)

### 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

Tom Barzona, September 7; Christina Bethman, September 11 Dave & Barri-Lynn Everitt Anniv, Sept 12; Katie & Rich Stinson Anniv, Sept 12; Guy & Judy Grignon, September 15; Aimee & Tom Barzona Anniv Sept 17 Kyle Bond, September 18; Sandy O'Hagen, September 18

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 "BEHOLD THE LAMB" #A9

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### HYMN "PEACE LIKE A RIVER" (INSERT)

### BENEDICTION

## SCRIPTURE

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Exodus 32: 1-14

**ALL:** 1 When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, “Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don’t know what has happened to him.” 2 Aaron answered them, “Take off the gold earrings that your wives, your sons and your daughters are wearing, and bring them to me.” 3 So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. 4 He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Then they said, “These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.”

**LEADER:** 5 When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf and announced, “Tomorrow there will be a festival to the Lord.” 6 So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.

**ALL:** 7 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. 8 They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, ‘These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.’

**LEADER:** 9 “I have seen these people,” the Lord said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people. 10 Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation.”

**ALL:** 11 But Moses sought the favor of the Lord his God. “Lord,” he said, “why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. 13 Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: ‘I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.’” 14 Then the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

**NEW TESTAMENT:** Hebrews 11, 8-12

8 By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. 9 By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. 10 For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. 11 And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. 12 And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**Music Ministry** Our Choir and Chimes rehearsals resume **THIS THURSDAY**, September 8 – Chimes at 6:30 PM and Choir at 7:15 PM. If you play an instrument or want to sing a solo, let us know. Contact Sharon Keyes, our Director of Music – [sbakerkeyes@yahoo.com](mailto:sbakerkeyes@yahoo.com)

**\*Please note – Pastor Courtney has a NEW email address –** [pastorcourtneyc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcourtneyc@gmail.com) Please update your records!

**Items Needed – All Kinds of Lids and Caps –** Plastic or Metal (No Sharp Edges) and Any Size. Lois' granddaughter, Elizabeth is starting practicum teaching this fall and needs them for a school project. Donation basket is in the Sarah Strong Room.

**THIS Wednesday Night Bible Study, September 7, 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.

**Monday, Birdhouse Craft Night, September 12, 6:30-8:30 PM**  
Come join us as we take an unfinished bird house and make it look beautiful for you to hang in your yard or keep inside as a decoration. Suggested Donation, \$10. Scholarships available. RSVP to [pastorcourtneyc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcourtneyc@gmail.com).

**Wednesday, Bible Study and Tea, September 14, 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.

### **Friday, Talent Night & Desserts, September 23, 6:30-8:30 PM**

The Lord has given talents to each of us. He asks us to develop these talents and use them to bless others. Talent Show Options Include: Read a poem or story, Make a treat, Display a craft or artwork, Sing a musical number or play a musical instrument, Do a magic trick, Do an impersonation, Display photographs, Perform a dance, Do a group skit, Create a video, Perform martial arts, Share clean comedy, etc. Everyone should come out and enjoy others talents and to share one if you want! Desserts will be served. RSVP to [pastorcourtneyc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcourtneyc@gmail.com)

**Sunday, Church Picnic, September 25, Noon.** The picnic will be in the church parking lot immediately after worship. All are invited for food, fun and fellowship. Bring an item to share!

**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](mailto:admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org) A donation basket is here at Larison's Corner and we drop the items there.

### **Share Your Resources to Support 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 also give on Facebook in our "about" section or by clicking here: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=4558529> - Once you are in Tithely, you can set up a one-time gift, ongoing gifts, or a special gift. *\*Give today by using your camera on your cell phone over the image to the right and following the link to make your donation.*

