



SUNDAY, May 2, 2021 WORSHIP on Zoom

Joining information:

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Quiet Moment *We are meeting today on lands that were originally occupied by the Abenaki people.*

Prelude

Words of Welcome & Call to Worship

We are ready, God, so ready; ready from head to toe.

We are ready to sing, ready to sing a song of praise!

We're thanking you, God, out in the streets, singing your praises in town and country.

Soar high in the skies, O God! Cover the whole earth with your glory!

My God, don't turn a deaf ear to my hallelujah prayer. Give me help for the hard task; human help is worthless.

But you, O God, are most powerful and we gather this day to worship you!

Hymn - The God of Abraham Praise (49 in the purple Glory to God hymnal, 488 in the blue The Presbyterian Hymnal)

1. The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above, the Ancient of Eternal Days, the God of love! The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed, we bow before your holy name, forever blest.
2. Your spirit still flows free, high surging where it will. In prophet's word you spoke of old and you speak still. Established is your law, and changeless it shall stand, deep write upon the human heart by your strong hand.
3. Your goodly land we seek, with peace and plenty blest, a land of sacred liberty and Sabbath rest. There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound, and trees of life forever grow with mercy crowned.
4. You have eternal life implanted in the soul; your love shall be our strength and stay, while ages roll. We praise you, living God! We praise your holy name: the first, the last, beyond all thought, and still the same!

TEXT: Moses Maimonides, 12th cent.: vers. Daniel ben Judah Dayan, 1404; stanzas 1, 3, trans. Thomas Olivers, c. 1770, alt: stanzas 2, 4, trans. Max Landsberg, Newton M. Mann, and William C. Gannett, 1884, 1910, alt. MUSIC: Jewish melody, 17th cent.: adapt. Meyer Lyon and Thomas Olivers, 1770. All rights reserved. Reprinted under ONE LICENSE #: 734910-A.

Prayer of Confession

Our God, we have tried to be so wise and our wisdom has failed us under strain. We have tried to be so righteous and, the moment we have found it unpopular, we have thrown our righteousness aside like a coat. We have tried to be so loving, but our love has always turned itself into self-love. We have tried to be loyal, but, when troubles and tribulations have come upon us, we have forgotten our loyalty and demanded that you tell us why. Each of us, O Lord, has some sinfulness in our heart and we ask now that you will hear us in this moment as we silently communicate our confessions to you.....

Assurance of Pardon

Sung Response - I Sing the Mighty Power of God (32, verse 1, in the purple Glory to God hymnal, 288 in the blue The Presbyterian Hymnal).

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day. The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1715, alt. MUSIC: Gesangbuch de Herzogl. Wirtembergischen Katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784; alt. 1868. All rights reserved. Reprinted under ONE LICENSE #: 734910-A.

Scripture Lesson - Psalm 22:25-31; I John 4:7-21

Prompting - Part Two (Chris Fuhrmeister)

Hymn - Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (366 in the purple Glory to God hymnal; 376 in the blue The Presbyterian Hymnal)

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.
2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit; let us find the promised rest. Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
4. Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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Prayers

Reflection Music

Announcements & Offerings

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Hymn – Breathe on me, Breath of God (286 in the purple Glory to God hymnal, 316 in the blue The Presbyterian Hymnal)

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God; until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God; till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God; so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

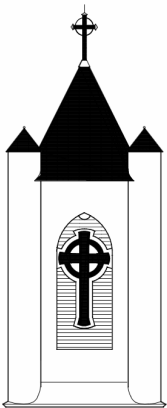
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Closing words

Postlude

We are grateful for Alison Cerutti and family for playing the piano and leading music with us this morning and we are blessed to have Polly Thomas as our worship leader.

Prayers - This week we invite you to keep Carolyn Tucker-Stook and her family in your prayers. Gracious Lord, we give thanks for them and their presence in this congregation. Hold them in the palm of your hand and let them feel your love. Give them the wisdom and strength to do your will and the faith and courage to face whatever challenges may arise. As part of being the connectional Presbyterian church, we keep a church or other ministry within the **Presbytery of Northern New England** in our thoughts and prayers. This week, our prayers are with the staff and residents of Camp Wilmot.



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OUR CHURCH All of our congregation serves as ministers of God

Rev. Carl Hilton VanOsdall – Pastor

Treasurer – Kathy Adams

Pianist/Accompanist – Allison Cerutti and Dan Krymkowski

Administrative Assistant – Cindy Hooker

Choir Director – Peg Lawson ; Custodians – Marcia Cochran/Jennifer Milne

Elder of the Month – Lee Aura Bonamico

Deacon of the Month – Linda Loomis



BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY

4th Robert Loso
7th Peg Kiniry
8th Bruce Mitton
8th Andrea MacLeod
9th Nathan Adams
12th Jay Milne
16th Anna Light
16th David Wilinson
17th Ruby Edgerly-Walsh
18th Lori Cayia
21st Pam Cyr
21st Winnie McCormick
27th Ella Hilton-VanOsdall
28th Sirena Maxfield
30th Logan Gregoire
30th Andrew Loomis

ANNIVERSARIES FOR MAY

13th Carl & Gina Hilton VanOsdall
17th Kim & Patrick Kelty
20th Dan & Rebecca Krymkowski
26th Manny & Marilyn Piro
28th Sheldon & Jill Bruce
30th Thomas & Phyllis Wiggins
30th David & Kay Oles