

OLD NORTH CHURCH

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

EASTER VI

MAY 5, 2024

9:30 A.M.

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Thou Art Worthy”
“Let Us Break Bread Together”

Pauline Mills
Martha Sobaje

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scott Benell

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

ALL: Who made heaven and earth.

LEADER: I rejoiced with those who said to me

ALL: Let us go to the house of the Lord.

LEADER: Our feet are standing in your gates O Jerusalem.

ALL: Amen.

*HYMN #50

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Mit Freuden Zart

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Seated)

Psalm 40

LEADER: The Psalmist calls us to confession this morning.

“I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out to the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.”

Let us pray.

ALL: Let us pray. Holy Lord, we confess to you this day that we have not pursued righteousness with our whole heart. We have not kept the covenant of Moses, and we have forgotten your law. Forgive us, Lord, as we remember the joy of obedience to your word and seek the righteousness found in you. May Christ be the example of our obedience to the Father, and may his spirit abide in us forever. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

(sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Psalm 103

LEADER: Hear these words of absolution from the word of God.

“Praise the Lord, O my soul all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with steadfast love and compassion.”

People of God, dwell on the mercy of the Lord and rejoice in his forgiveness.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI #805

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, Amen.

*SALUTATION AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

LEADER: Grace to you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

May the peace of the Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

*HYMN #362

“Morning Has Broken”

Bunessan

A TIME FOR OUR YOUTH

Children proceed to Sunday School following the message.

SCRIPTURE

I Samuel 16:2b-13
John 9: 24-34

SERMON HYMN #557

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

Scott

PRAYER FOR THE INSPIRATION OF THE WORD

SERMON

“Seeing More Clearly”

*APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY "The Last Spring" Edvard Grieg

***DOXOLOGY**

*"Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (gluten free bread is used) (Insert)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

*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 #694** "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Austrian Hymn

PASTORAL BEDICTION

***PARTING SONG** Eidelweiss

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see his face and his grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

POSTLUDE "Thine Is the Glory" arr. Diane Bish

✠✠✠

*Please rise, in body or in spirit. **Bold words indicate unison participation.**

Prayer Requests: If you have a prayer request this morning, please fill out the Prayer Request section of the welcome card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

THE CONSISTORY OF OLD NORTH

ELDERS: Jon Babicz, Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Carol Sushko,
DEACONS: Tim Frohlich, Rene Gallagher Brianna Polbos, Richard Schmude,
Interim Minister: The Rev. Linden DeBie ✠ Classis supervising minister The Rev. Rob Miller



OLD NORTH REFORMED CHURCH

120 Washington Avenue, Dumont, New Jersey 07628

201-385-2243 oldnorthdumont@gmail.com

Website - <https://oldnorth.church>

Welcome to worship at Old North Reformed Church.

We are pleased you chose to worship with us today!

Please fill out a welcome card and sign the guest book in the entrance to the sanctuary.

If you would like more information visit our website. <https://oldnorth.church>



Are You Baptized? The Reformed Church in America professes two sacraments: Baptism and Holy Communion. In the RCA, we baptize infants as well as older children and adults. The journey of faith that begins in baptism continues in the church community. In the RCA, baptism is always performed in the context of a congregation of God's people. Baptism is the mark of corporate as well as individual faith: the congregation commits itself to the spiritual nurture of the infant, child, or adult being baptized. If you are interested in being baptized, or having your child(ren) baptized, please contact Pastor Linden or an Elder.

Prayer Chain: If you wish to add the power of prayer in times of celebration, healing, or transitions in life, please call Pat Hooey, 201-843-4456.

Your prayer requests are uplifted by our prayer team, and confidentiality is honored.



Church Family Prayer List:

•Carol •Diana •Doreen •Katie •Michael •Susan •Tom

Uplift those undergoing medical procedures and thanksgiving for those who are recovering, comfort for those in mourning, strength for those fighting cancer and for all caregivers, and those seeking spiritual and emotional well-being.

Scheduled to serve today with our thanks:

Ushers & Greeters: Scott Benell, Karen DiBella, Nancy Gorman

Thank you to Cheryl Rodgers and Kay Hughes for Hosting today's coffee hour.

| | Ushers & Greeters | Coffee Hour Hosts |
|------|--|------------------------------|
| 5/12 | Ethel Reitsema, Marilyn Hashway | The Schmude Family |
| 5/19 | Jack & Betsy Erhard | The Frohlich Family |
| 5/26 | Linda Treacy, Kay Hughes | |
| 6/2 | Scott Benell, Karen Di Bella, Steven Cordova | Gail McNeill & Kathleen West |

Congratulations to all of our Church Family who are celebrating a special event!

Happy Birthday!



5/1 Steven Cordova – 5/1 Nate Schmude – 5/4 Irene Yanick
 5/5 Erin Constantino – 5/6 Helen Berthold – 5/14 Ethel Reitsema
 5/22 Thomas Edone – 5/22 Alexandra Huth
 5/22 Andrew Huth – 5/25 Donair Karkkainen – 5/26 Marianne Schmude

Bible Study: Join Pastor Linden in the Lounge on Tuesdays from 12 – 1 p.m.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FOOD DRIVE & THRIFT SHOPPE DONATION DROP!



Our volunteers are the backbone of Old North!
 If you are interested in volunteer opportunities, please contact the office for more information.

GRIMES - SPRING FUND: Application Letters are now being accepted for the Grimes - Spring Fund. The fund was established at ONRC to provide financial assistance to those going to college. Your letter must include a description of your course of study and your involvement in church. Applications may be sent to the church, emailed, or placed in the Consistory mailbox located in the library, and must be received by June 9TH.

Ushers and Greeters: Looking for an easy way to serve? Contact the office to be added to the rotation.

Every ministry has its “job description”

- Come as early as you can, by 9:00 am for the Sunday service.
- When seating people, let them know that prayer request cards are available and encouraged.
- Once the service has started, keep an eye on the rear door for late comers and greet them when they arrive.
- Following the Benedictions, ALL ushers will help collect communion cups. You might encourage and welcome others to assist, including children and youth.
- You're welcome will set the tone for maintaining our sanctuary as a place of worship, and first impressions matter! Please be mindful of conversations that can be disruptive