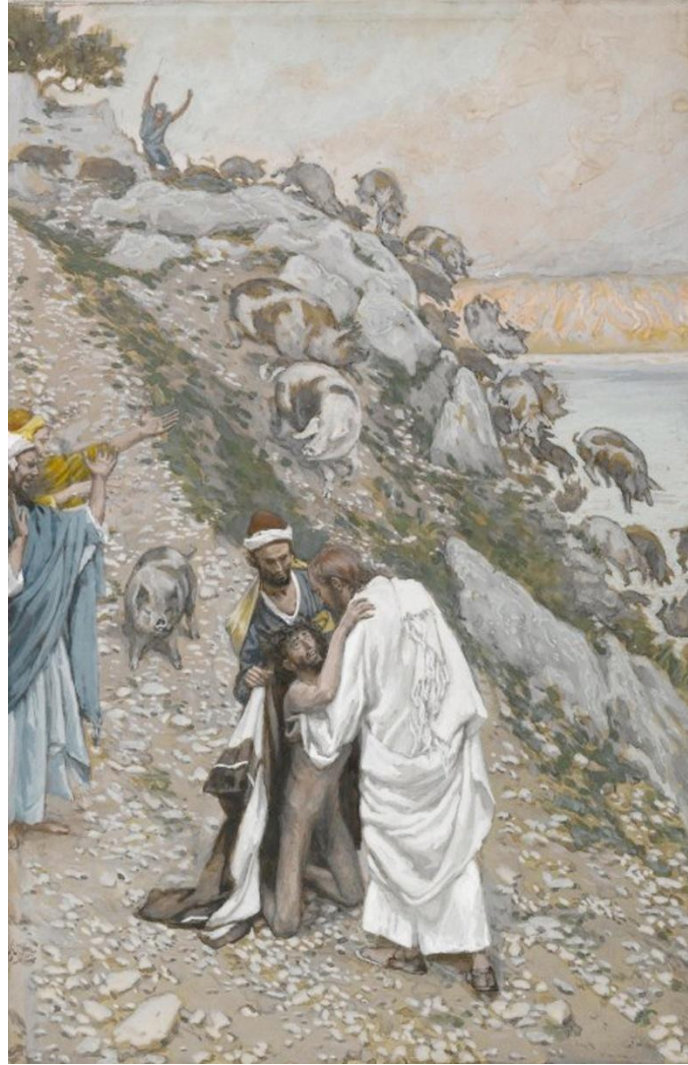


Order of Worship for June 22, 2025  
Second Sunday after Pentecost  
First Reformed Church Hastings on Hudson



“Jesus, the Gerasene, and the Unclean Spirits” | James Tissot | from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library

### **Statement of Welcome and Inclusion**

*First Reformed Church of Hastings-on-Hudson is a church for all people, each of us being unique and created in the image of God.*

*We believe God’s unconditional love and grace, as revealed through Jesus Christ, does not distinguish among God’s people based on race, ethnicity, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, ability, or disability.*

*All are children of God, and all are welcome with joy in our Sanctuary. We strive to provide an environment of mutual respect, hospitality and warmth.*

## We Approach God

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Votum, Sentences, and Salutation

Prelude: “Ave Regina Caelorum”

Angelica Women’s Chamber Choir

Call to Worship (responsive)

from *Ministry Matters*

One: Break down the barriers that divide us, O Lord.

**All: Tear down the walls of hostility and fear.**

One: Melt the barbed wire of anger and hatred.

**All: Breathe new life into your people, O God.**

One: For we are called to newness in Christ Jesus.

**All: We are all brothers and sisters through God’s love.**

One: Come, let us worship the God who removes obstacles from our paths.

**All: Let us praise God who seeks to unite us in peace.**

\*Gathering Hymn: “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind” (#345)

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison):

from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*

**Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to confess our sins and seek your mercy.**

**There are barren places in our lives where we have wandered far from you. We have listened to voices who distracted us from your call. We have submitted to powers competing for our loyalty to you. We have not taken the hand you offer to lead us out of godforsakenness, and into your holy ways. God our Savior, forgive us. Quench our thirst for you from the Rock of our salvation, and let your love well up in us unto eternal life. Speak tenderly to us of your presence. Feed us with your word. Deliver us from evil. Let us enter into your kingdom; then send us out to serve you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Kyrie (#572):

**Lord have mercy upon us.**

**Christ have mercy upon us.**

**Lord have mercy upon us.**

Words of Assurance

Summary of the Law of Love

\*Gloria Patri (#579):

**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.**

## **We Hear God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 42

Luke 8:26-39

Children's Message

Sermon: "Unbound"

## **We Respond to God's Word**

\*Hymn of Response: "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" (#427)

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will 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 the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: "Pie Jesu"

Angelica Women's Chamber Choir

\*Doxology (#592):

**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.**

\*Prayer of Dedication (unison) from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*  
**With these gifts, O God, we remember with thanksgiving the life that we have  
because of you. Make us grateful every day for the privilege of offering ourselves  
for the well-being of all your world. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

*Prayer response after each petition:*

*One: Oh God of love and mercy,*

***All: Hear our prayer.***

*Our time of prayer concludes with the 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.**

\*Closing Hymn: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" (insert)

\*Blessing and Benediction

\*Postlude: "The Road Home"

Angelica Women's Chamber Choir

*Those attending in person are invited to coffee hour in the Fraser Room after worship for a time  
of fellowship and refreshments.*

\*Congregants in the sanctuary are invited to rise

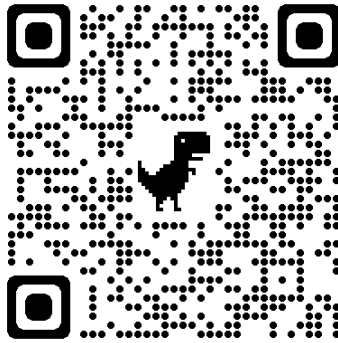
**Bold text is read in unison**

## Announcements

Thanks to all who are assisting with the service today! Our lector/liturgist is Alex Cornwell. Special thanks to Angelica Women's Chamber Choir under the direction of Marie Caruso for special music.

The next Consistory meeting will take place today, Sunday, July 20, at 12pm via Zoom.

For more information about First Reformed Church, scan this QR code to go to [www.frchoh.org](http://www.frchoh.org)



## Dear Lord and Father of Mankind 345

REST 8.6.8.8.6

John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872

Frederick Charles Maker, 1887

1. \*Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, For - give our fool - ish  
 2. In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, Be - side the Syr - ian  
 3. O Sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee, O calm of hills a -  
 4. Drop Thy still dews of qui - et - ness, Till all our striv - ings

ways; Re - clothe us in our right - ful mind, In  
 sea, The gra - cious call - ing of the Lord, Let  
 bove, Where Je - sus knelt to share with Thee The  
 cease; Take from our souls the strain and stress, And

pur - er lives Thy ser - vice find, In deep - er rev - erence, praise.  
 us, like them, with - out a word Rise up and fol - low Thee.  
 si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty, In - ter - pret - ed by love!  
 let our or - dered lives con - fess The beau - ty of Thy peace.

\*Or "Dear Lord, Creator good and kind."

5. Breathe through the heats of our desire  
 Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
 Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
 Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
 O still, small voice of calm!

Alternate tune: REPTON, 419

## 427 Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

BLAENHAFREN 8.7.8.7 D

Albert F. Bayly, 1961; alt.

Welsh melody

1. Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice Bore the weight of  
 2. Still Your chil - dren wan - der home - less; Still the hun - gry  
 3. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, Till Your love's re -  
 4. Called from wor - ship to Your ser - vice, Forth in Your dear

hu - man need, Who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, Of - fered  
 cry for bread; Still the cap - tives long for free - dom; Still in  
 veal - ing light, In its height and depth and great - ness, Dawns up -  
 name we go, To the child, the youth, the a - ged, Love in

mer - cy's per - fect deed, We, Your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship  
 grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, Your deep com - pas - sion  
 on our quick - ened sight, Mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens  
 liv - ing deeds to show; Hope and health, good - will and com - fort,

Not of voice a - lone, but heart, Con - se - crat - ing  
 Healed the sick and freed the soul, Use the love Your  
 Your com - pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring us to  
 Coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, That Your ser - vants,

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to Your pur - pose Ev - ery gift that You im - part.  
 Spir - it kin - dles Still to save and make us whole.  
 tire - less striv - ing, Your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 Lord, in free - dom May Your mer - cy know and live.

♩=92-100



## Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Omer Westendorf, 1964

*Descant*

2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing, the

*Unison*

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess-ing, the  
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er liv - ing, the

tasks of our ev - ery - day life we will face. Our faith ev - er

peo - ple of God from this dwell-ing take leave. The ser - vice is  
 tasks of our ev - ery - day life we will face. Our faith ev - er

shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing, em - brac - ing God's chil - dren of

end - ed, O now be ex - tend-ed the fruits of our wor-ship in  
 shar-ing, in love ev - er car - ing, em - brac - ing God's chil-dren of

Omer Westendorf, author of numerous hymns, compiler of several hymnals, and founder of World Library Publications, included this hymn in *People's Mass Book*, 1964, the first vernacular Roman Catholic hymn and service book to implement the decrees of Vatican II.

Tune: THE ASH GROVE 6.6.11.6.6.11.D.

Welsh folk melody

Harm. Leland Sateren, 1972

Descant, *The New Century Hymnal*, 1993

# CLOSE OF WORSHIP

each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with  
all who be - lieve. The seed of the teach - ing, re -  
each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with

your light now lead us, u - nite us as one in this  
cep - tive hearts reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for  
your light now lead us, u - nite us as one in this

life that we share. Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks -  
God and for all. God's grace did in - vite us, and love shall u -  
life that we share. Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks -

giv - ing give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.  
nite us to work for God's realm and to an - swer the call.  
giv - ing give hon - or to Christ and that name which we bear.

**Angelica Women's Chamber Choir**  
**June 22, 2025**

Gill Anderson, Marie Caruso (Artistic Director), Joan Cornachio, Kathleen McClafferty, Wilma Messenger, Mary Peck, Julia Perrin, Laura Ravotti, Susan Saslow, Meaghan Shawcross.

**Ave Regina Caelorum**

Ave, Regina caelorum,  
Ave, Domina Angelorum:  
Salve, radix, salve, porta  
Ex qua mundo lux est orta:  
Gaude, Virgo gloriosa,  
Super omnes speciosa,  
Vale, o valde decora,  
Et pro nobis Christum exora.  
Alleluia.

**Guillaume Dufay (ca. 1400–1474)**

Hail, Queen of Heaven.  
Hail, Lady of Angels  
Hail, Thou root; hail, Thou gate  
From whom a light has arisen unto the world:  
Rejoice, O glorious Virgin,  
Lovely beyond all other  
Farewell, most beautiful maiden,  
And pray for us to Christ.  
Alleluia.

**Pie Jesu**

**Michael McGlynn (b. 1964)**

*Julia Perrin, soloist*

Pie Jesu, Domine:	Merciful Jesus, Lord:
Dona eis requiem.	Grant them rest.
Dona eis requiem sempiternam.	Grant them everlasting rest.

**The Road Home**

**Stephen Paulus (1949–2014)**

*Kathleen McClafferty, soloist*

Tell me, where is the road  
I can call my own,  
That I left, that I lost,  
So long ago?  
All these years I have wandered,  
Oh, when will I know  
There's a way, there's a road  
That will lead me home?  
After wind, after rain,  
When the dark is done.  
As I wake from a dream  
In the gold of day,  
Through the air there's a calling  
From far away,  
There's a voice I can hear  
That will lead me home.  
Rise up, follow me,  
Come away, is the call,  
With the love in your heart  
As the only song;  
There is no such beauty  
As where you belong:  
Rise up, follow me,  
I will lead you home.