



Nantucket
United Methodist Church
Sunday September 5, 2021
10:00am
Rev. Dr. Thomas M. Richard
Pastor
NantucketUMC.org

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost
September 5, 2021

Prelude **Anuraag Pendyal**

Welcome & Announcements **Zona Butler**

Call to Worship (please stand)

Leader: Come our light, and illumine our way

Congregation: Come our life, and refresh our spirit

Leader: Come our physician, and heal us of our

**Congregation: Come prince of peace and sit upon
the throne of our hearts**

Opening Hymn (please stand)

O Spirit of the Living God No. 539

Invocation (in unison, please stand)

Be with us in this hour, O God. Guide us to Your will and to our souls needs. As we learn again what it means to be supported by You, help us to lean on You, to trust in You, and to put our hope in You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

This Morning Scriptures

Our first reading is from the book of the book of Proverbs, excerpts from Chapter 22 (seated)

Whoever sows injustice reaps calamity and the rod they wield in fury will be broken.

The generous will themselves be blessed for they share their food with the poor.

Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the LORD will take up their case and will exact life for life.

Gospel reading (please stand)

A reading from the Gospel of Mark Chapter 7:24-30
Jesus left that place and went to the vicinity of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know it;

yet he could not keep his presence secret. In fact, as soon as she heard about him, a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an impure spirit came and fell at his feet. The woman was a Greek, born in Syrian Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to drive the demon out of her daughter. "First let the children eat all they want," he told her, "for it is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs." "Lord," she replied, "even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he told her, "For such a reply, you may go; the demon has left your daughter." She went home and found her child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God

Homily (seated)

The Power of A Crumb

Dr. Richard

The Morning Prayers (seated)

Prayer Requests

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Call To Offering (seated)

Doxology (please stand)

Praise God from whom all blessing flow

Praise him, all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen

Prayer of Thanks (please stand)

Sacrament of Our Lord's Supper (seated)

Words of Institution

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Eternal Spirit, we confess our fear of the unknown, of this strange culture, the unpredictable future, the threats we face from so many quarters of our lives.

You have offered us the encouragement and healing of the Spirit, but we have too often neglected and turned away from it, feeling it is too risky. Forgive us and give us courage, for the sake of Christ, whose life was given for us. Amen

Communion Hymn (please stand)

Let Us Break Bread Together” No.618

During this hymn please feel free to come to the table and pick up your communion elements. The wafer is contained in the top of the juice cup. When you have returned to your pew, we will share the elements together.

Sharing the Elements (seated)

Prayer of Thanks (seated)

Closing Hymn (please stand)

Seek Ye First The Kingdom No.405

The Blessing (please stand) Zona Butler

Choral Benediction (please stand_

*Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true,
Know he will guide in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe
Reach out to others, so all the world can see
God will be there, watching from above
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love, Amen*

Leader: And the people all said

Congregation: Amen

Welcome

Your presence is a blessing to us, and an honor to God. May this hour help you to live your life with more confidence and grace.

Our Reader

Zona Butler is a bank manager for Cape Cod Bank here on Nantucket, But more importantly to us, she is chairperson of our Church's Administrative Council. She has served our church faithfully for over 30 years.

Are You A Visitor?

Please make yourself known to us. There are yellow visitor information cards in your pew. Feel free to fill it in and drop it in the offering plate.

For Your Safety...

Everyone regardless of vaccination status must wear a mask at all times when inside the church building. We are using our hymnals. We have hand sanitizer available, if you wish to use it.

Open Table

We practice an "open" communion table in this church; that is, whether you are from his house or another; or whether you are part of any Christian community or not, you are welcome. We seek communion with each other and God and remember Christ together.

This Wednesday 7-8 pm

During the next couple weeks we will continue to discuss the current news in light of the Gospel, on zoom. The connecting instructions are on the back of your worship bulletin.

Prayer Requests

Each week we include in your bulletin a slip upon which you may request prayers. Simply fill it out and place it on the pulpit, and it will be included in the morning prayers.

Upcoming Meetings

- The Administrative Council meets on September 7th 6pm
- The 2 Centre Street Board meets on September 9th, Thursday, @ 5:30 in the main sanctuary.

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It honors those who built this house, by keeping it in good repair for all who come to its doors to find peace, comfort and inspiration. Our contributions serve a world of needs, through the United Methodist Church world wide....and so much more. Our Recommended Option is to contribute online by going to the web site Tithe.Ly or by using the Tythe.Ly APP on your smart phone. You can also contribute during the weekly collection or by using the envelope and offering plate as you leave. You may also mail a check to NUMC Box 264 02554. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity!

Flowers From Your Garden

Do you want to honor or remember someone? Providing flowers for a worship service is a wonderful way to do so. Speak to Kathie Batchelder or call the church office and let us help you find a date.

From My Heart To Yours...

Dear Friends,

You've heard the term, "Selective hearing?" It's those times when you heard what was said and either (a) you didn't like it (b) you didn't want to create a scene by disagreeing with it, or (c) you chose to disregard it.

It's something that happened a lot when I was a child and then years later, our children played the same games on us. "Do your homework." "You heard me, take the garbage out." "Don't pretend you didn't hear me, I said you can go out tonight after you hoe out that room of yours." "I've told you what's for dinner. Weren't you listening?" And so on....

Week after week we come to worship to HEAR the Gospel AND, to make the connection between what we heard and what difference it will make in our behavior the next week. Although our ears may be stopped up, it may ultimately be our hearts that are stopped up. It's hard work to actively listen, isn't it? Like most weeks at worship, the passage we're listening to today is all about hearing and doing something about what we hear.

Grace and Peace,
Tom

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