

RAMAPO REFORMED CHURCH

AUGUST 7TH, 2022

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude: *In a Deep, Unbounded Darkness* Mary Louise Bringle

Greeting: (Responsively)

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

P: Amen.

Call to Worship:

L: Lord God, we come to worship you as sinners in need of your forgiveness.

P: We come tired from our work, in need of refreshment and re-creation.

L: We come with worries, in need of your guidance.

P: But first, please lift us out of our preoccupation with our own needs.

L: Allow us to see you with the eyes of faith, and to hear with the ears of understanding what you say to us.

P: Make us thankful for all the good we have received from you.

L: Awaken in us a longing to do what is right.

P: And make us aware of the great company, past, present, and to come, with whom we join to worship you. Amen.

Prayer

Salutation:

L: Grace, peace, and mercy be yours from God the Father, Jesus Christ, his Son, and the Holy Spirit always,

P: Amen.

Song of Praise: "Come to the Savior Now" #613

Prayer of Confession:

Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much you love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word, the Bible; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble. Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up your cross and follow you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Prayer of Confession Continues in Silence)

Words of Assurance

Passing of the Peace: Leader: ... The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

*Sing: "Grace, Peace and Love" Justin Dimbeng

Responsive Reading: Psalm 70 p.532

Music Ministry: "You Will Be My Witnesses" Raymond Kotto
Piano Solo: Justin Dimbeng

WE EXPERIENCE THE WORD OF GOD

Welcome

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 13 p.494
(Response: Thanks be to God!)

Message for Children

Sermon: "A Voice of Lament" Rev. Mary B. Stegink, Interim Pastor

*Hymn: "Come, You Disconsolate" #614

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

*Apostles' Creed (see back cover of hymnal)

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology #965

*Prayer of Dedication

Announcements & Prayer Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: "Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone" #693

*Benediction

Postlude: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* Lyra Davidica

*Indicates where those who are able may stand

We welcome those who are visiting with us this morning. Kindly fill out a visitor card from the pew rack and place it in the collection plate. If we can be of help, please call the church office.

Grace, Peace and Love

Grace Peace and Love my sister
in the name of God.

Grace Peace and Love my brother
in the name of God.

Grace Peace and Love be with all of
you who are in this place.

Together all gathered,
Let us praise the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST MISSION – Mission Sunday is August 21st and our emphasis will be in support of our Partners-in-Mission, Shelvis and Nancy Smith-Mather who serve with RECONCILE (Resource Centre for Civil Leadership) where they are working to bring healing to the war-torn region of the South Sudan. To date, we have collected \$814.00 towards our pledge of \$1725 for 2022.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – Our next gathering is scheduled for Saturday, August 13th. Join in for a time of food and fellowship at the Ramsey IHOP at 8:00AM.

SAVE THE DATE – for Pastor Mary's Installation Service. This will take place at 4:00 pm on Sunday, September 18th and will be followed by a celebratory dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Details soon to follow.

SUMMER READING JUNIOR – The RRC's Summer Reading program continues through September 4th. Booklets are available at church and on our website.

Anchored in the past – Sharing Christ's message today – Growing in faith into the future!



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10:30AM