

# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

August 15, 2021

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING

### CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

The Psalmist says: "Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you reverence for God. Which of you desires life?"

**God's people answer: "We will keep our tongue from speaking deceit. We will depart from evil, and do good; we will seek peace and pursue it."**

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from their troubles.

**The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and save those who are crushed in Spirit.**

\* HYMN "God of the Sparrow" No. 272

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Seeking the wisdom of the Lord, let us consider how we have lived, confessing our sins and trusting in the mercy of God.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not been faithful children. We have not lived in your way; we often remain silent in the face of evil; we too seldom follow the way of peace; and we are slow to honor all that is true and good. We have been foolish and immature resisting the wisdom you would teach us.**

**Forgive us our sin, O God, and lead us to sincere repentance through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: Christ offers himself as bread of life to all who would receive him. In this we see God's love for us. In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven. May God's peace be with you. **And also with you.**

### SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

Jesus loved us and gave himself to us. As beloved children, let us be imitators of God, presenting our lives as a fragrant offering and sacrifice, through Christ our Lord

*The Offering plate is in the Narthex. You may also choose to mail your offering to the church office, or give online through our website, [cazpres.org](http://cazpres.org).*

\* DOXOLOGY No. 592

### \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

**Receive, O God, the fruits of our labor and with these gifts accept the offering of our lives. Unite us with Christ that we may share in his ministry and glorify you. Amen.**

\* HYMN "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" No. 384

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, through the reading of holy Scripture, feed us with your living Word and reveal to us the way of everlasting life. Amen.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

Pew Bible p. 93 *NT*

<sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

<sup>52</sup> The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup> So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have

eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup> for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup> Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Proverbs 8:22-36                      Pew Bible p. 558 *OT*

<sup>22</sup> The LORD created me at the beginning<sup>[a]</sup> of his work,<sup>[b]</sup>  
the first of his acts of long ago.

<sup>23</sup> Ages ago I was set up,  
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

<sup>24</sup> When there were no depths I was brought forth,  
when there were no springs abounding with water.

<sup>25</sup> Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth—

<sup>26</sup> when he had not yet made earth and fields,<sup>[c]</sup>  
or the world’s first bits of soil.

<sup>27</sup> When he established the heavens, I was there,  
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

<sup>28</sup> when he made firm the skies above,  
when he established the fountains of the deep,

<sup>29</sup> when he assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress his command,

when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

<sup>30</sup> then I was beside him, like a master worker;<sup>[d]</sup>  
and I was daily his<sup>[e]</sup> delight,

rejoicing before him always,  
<sup>31</sup> rejoicing in his inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race.

<sup>32</sup> “And now, my children, listen to me:  
happy are those who keep my ways.

<sup>33</sup> Hear instruction and be wise,  
and do not neglect it.

<sup>34</sup> Happy is the one who listens to me,  
watching daily at my gates,  
waiting beside my doors.

<sup>35</sup> For whoever finds me finds life  
and obtains favor from the LORD;

<sup>36</sup> but those who miss me injure themselves;  
all who hate me love death.”

**SERMON**                      “The Way of Wisdom”

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

\* **HYMN**                      “How Firm a Foundation”                      No. 361

\* **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

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**Join us after service for coffee and fellowship in the  
side yard outside the Meeting House.**

**IN TODAY’S WORSHIP**

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**Ushers:** John & Sue Perriello

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