

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 28, 2022

10:00 A.M.



(You are invited to a time of quiet preparation for worship during the Prelude.)

Prelude

Pastorale

Franz Liszt

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Informal Moments

This is the day the Lord has made... Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

A Word About Homecoming – Becky Lenz, Council Chair

Musical Introit

Meditation on the tune "Trusting"

Jane Carrier

Call to Worship

One: Welcome to this song-fest for God's love, this celebration of hope.

Many: We've said "Yes!" to God's invitation to unconditional acceptance.

One: Welcome to these moments of joy. Lift your voices in praise of all that is Holy.

Many: We've embraced God's invitation to be received with honor, tenderness, and mercy.

One: Welcome to this community of faith. Know you are loved entirely.

Many: We accept the divine invitation to be part of God's beautiful family, raising our songs to Heaven. Amen.

*Gathering Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies

No. 111

***Unison Prayer of Invocation**

Loving God, we've come to this community where all our abilities are celebrated as gifts. We come to receive your hospitality of caring and to learn to offer grace to all we encounter. May we reflect the joy that you shine upon us every day. Amen.

Anthem

Almighty and Everlasting God

Orlando Gibbons

Janet Cappers, Libby Mooney, Paul Cappers, Roger Whitney

Hymn Sing #1 – You are invited to call out a hymn (name and hymn number) you'd like to sing; first and last verses.

Scripture

Psalm 81: 1-10

Reader: Becky Lenz

Pastoral Prayer 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.

Offering Invitation

Offertory Music

Ave Verum Corpus

William Byrd

Janet Cappers, Libby Mooney, Paul Cappers, Roger Whitney

*Doxology

No. 46

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God for all that Love has done
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

***Blessing for the Offering:**

God, we bring these gifts, our response to your invitation. In our giving, we receive your blessings of hope. In our giving, we experience joy, co-creating with you a better world for all. Amen.

Hymn Sing #2 – Congregation's choices! First and last verses.

Benediction

Sung Benediction *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 you 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.*

Postlude

Psalm XVIII

Benedetto Marcello



**All who are able may stand.*

Those serving you today:

Bell Ringer: *Brad Adler*

Ushers: *Anne Harris and Linda Wallace*

Interim Minister: *Rev. Dr. Amy Lignitz Harken*

Organist: *Joel Pierce*

Sexton: *Mary McKinney*

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We welcome you to the First Congregational Church of Wiscasset.
We are an open and affirming congregation and are open theologically,
growing spiritually, and concerned socially.



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Coming Up This Week:

Monday, August 29, Game Night 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Sunday, September 4: Worship 10am

Today, Sunday, August 28 at 2 pm: Musical Treats and Sweets. St. Philip's Episcopal Church. Join us for a praise-filled day of singing with participation from multiple church choirs in the Midcoast area.

Organ Society

Organ Society will begin the Fall session on September 7th at 9:30 in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your ideas for Fall programs.

Supporting the Ministry of our Church

Thank you for your continued support in sustaining our ministries Offerings can be mailed to the church at: First Congregational Church, P.O. Box 350, Wiscasset, ME 04578. Thank you!

Psalm 81:1-10

1 Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

2 Raise a song, sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.

3 Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our festal day.

4 For it is a statute for Israel, an ordinance of the God of Jacob.

5 He made it a decree in Joseph, when he went out over the land of Egypt. I hear a voice I had not known:

6 "I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket.

7 In distress you called, and I rescued you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I tested you at the waters of Meribah. Selah

8 Hear, O my people, while I admonish you; O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

9 There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

10 I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.

When Morning Gilds the Skies

111

1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:
 2. The night be - comes as day, when from the heart we say:
 3. Dis - cor - dant hu - man - kind, in this your con - cord find:
 4. To God, the Word, on high, the hosts of an - gels cry:
 5. In heaven's e - ter - nal bliss the love - liest strain is this:
 6. Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di - vine:

may Je - sus Christ be praised! A - like at work and prayer,
 2. may Je - sus Christ be praised! The grace of God is near
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round
 4. may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let mor - tals, too, up - raise
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let air, and sea, and sky
 6. may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be this the e - ter - nal song

I joy - ful - ly de - clare: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 2. when this sweet chant we hear: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 4. their voice in hymns of praise: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 from depth to height re - ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 6. through all the a - ges long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

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This German Catholic hymn text was brought to Protestants through the translation of Edward Caswall, an English convert to Catholicism.

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