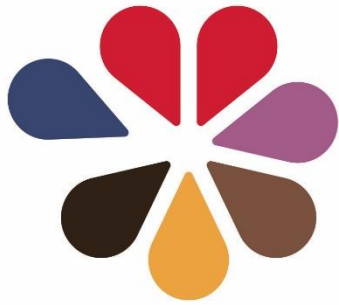
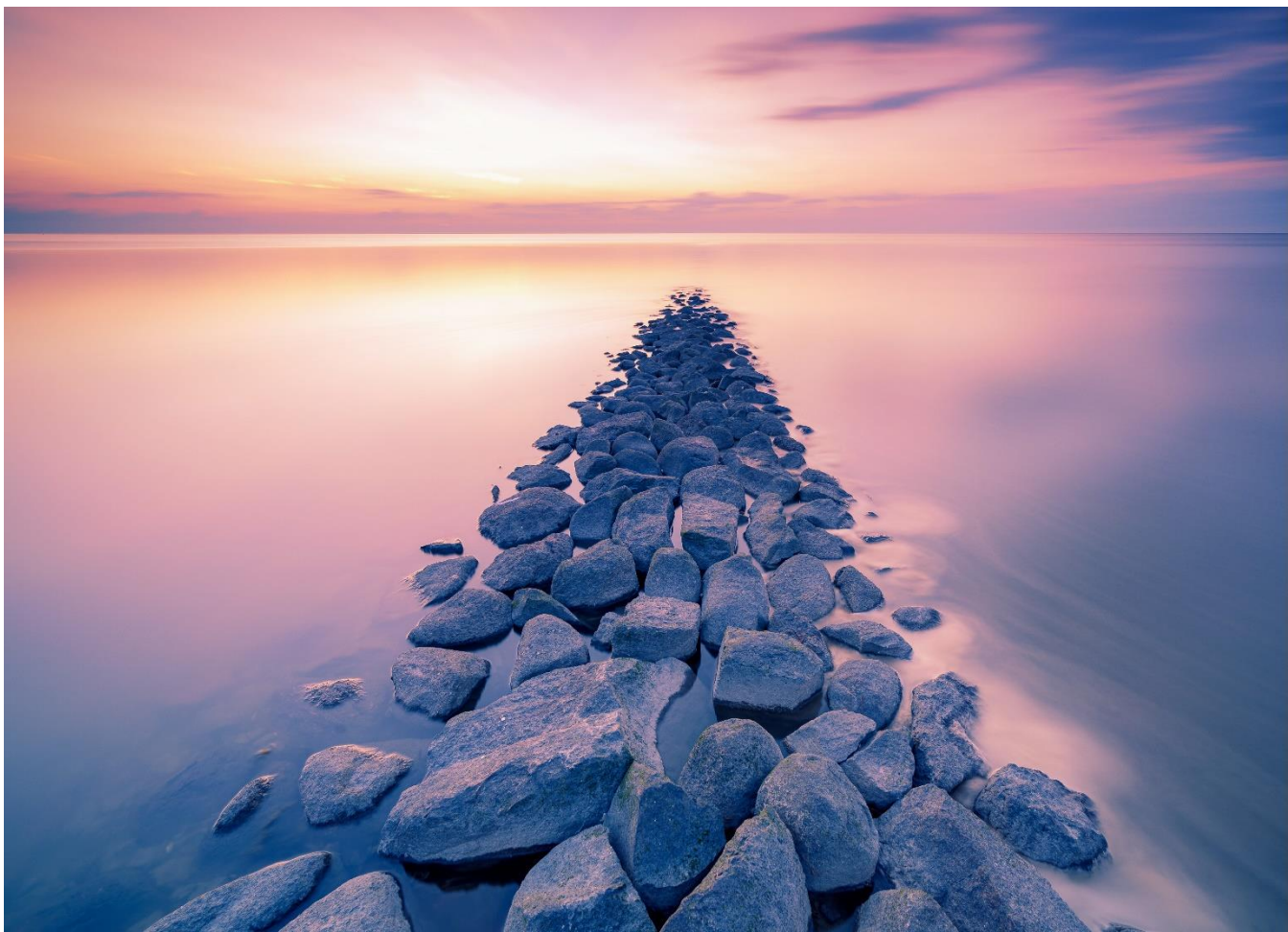




DOWNTOWN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



In the Fullness of Time

Celebration of Worship

July 14, 2024, 10:00 AM

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*If you have a joy or concern you would like to have lifted in prayer today, please complete a **Prayer Request Card**, including the name of the person (and pronunciation) or event, and additional information you'd like to share. Prayer Requests will be collected in baskets during the **hymn following the sermon** to share with the pastor and/or Deacons.*

Prelude

Meditation on Simple Gifts

Words of Welcome
Announcements

Rev. Davis

Chime

*Introit

Simple Gifts

Shaker Song

’Tis the gift to be simple, ’tis the gift to be free,
’Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be;
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,
’Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,
To bow and to bend we shan’t be ashamed;
to turn, turn, will be my delight.
Till by turning, turning we come round right.”

*Call to Worship

Lea Kone

Leader: Let us turn our hearts to hear from the Holy One!

People: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will embrace.

Leader: Let us turn our hearts to gain insight from the Holy One!

People: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

Leader: Let us turn our hearts to receive from the Holy One!

People: Righteousness will go before them, and will make a path for their steps.

Invocation

Leader: God Among Us, your ways are perfect and your laws are just. We gather today in your name and for your kingdom. May it come wherever and whenever two or more gather in your name. May our hearts open and our understanding expand with the vision of righteousness. May our worship please you, transform us, and bear witness to your love. **Amen.**

*Hymn

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
(Music may be found on page 7.)

MARYTON

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

All: Righteous God, you have created us in your image to reflect your holiness. You have affirmed the goodness within us. We struggle to be the people you call us to be. You have given us the guidance of the Law and the wisdom of the Prophets and the gift of your Presence. Still, we struggle against the pull to go our own direction without your counsel. We fail to extend the grace and compassion you give to us. Be merciful in your judgment while holding us accountable for your justice as we strive to live the fullness of life in you. **Amen.**

Moment of Silent Contemplation and Prayer

Words of Grace

Leader: Beloved, you were not made to be perfect; you were created to be good. In hope, we affirm that God's strength is made perfect in our weakness. Lean into the power of God to do the work that we cannot, to meet us at our point of need, and to lead us into the path of new life.

Scripture

Psalm 24
Mark 6:14-29

Time with Our Children and Youth

Music for Reflection

Order My Steps

Glenn Burleigh

"Order my steps in Your word, dear Lord, Lead me, guide me, every day.

Send Your anointing, O Lord, I pray. Order my steps in Your word.

Humbly I ask Thee, teach me Your will. While You are working, help me be still.

Though Satan is busy, God is real! Order my steps in Your word.

I want to walk worthy. My calling to fulfill.

Please order my steps, Lord, and I'll do Your blessed will.

The world is ever changing, but You are still the same.

If You order my steps, I'll praise Your name."

Words: Psalm 119:133, Glenn Burleigh

Scripture

Ephesians 1:3-14

Sermon

In The Fullness of Time

Rev. Davis

Affirmation of Faith

Good News Creed

All: This is the good news which we received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day; and that He appeared to the women, and that He appeared to Peter, then to the Twelve and to many faithful witnesses. We believe He is the Christ, the

Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the beginning and the end, He is our Lord and our God. Amen.

*Hymn

Amazing Grace

NEW BRITAIN

(Music may be found on page 8.)

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music We'll Understand it Better By and By Charles A. Tindley

*"We are often tossed and driv'n on the restless sea of time,
Somber skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine.
In that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away,
We will understand it better by and by.*

*Refrain: By and by when the morning comes, when the saints of God are gathered home,
We will tell the story how we've overcome; for we'll understand it better by and by.*

*We are often destitute of the things that life demands,
Want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren lands.
We are trusting in the Lord, and according to the Word,
We will understand it better by and by. [Refrain]*

*Temptations, hidden snares often take us unawares,
And our hearts are made to bleed for some thoughtless word or deed,
And we wonder why the test, when we try to do our best,
But we'll understand it better by and by. [Refrain]"*

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Let songs rise up from earth below;
Let stars and galaxies enthrone;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One! Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine
(Music may be found on page 9.)

SHOWALTER

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

Thank you to:

Liturgist: Lea Kone

Musicians: Alan Jones and Lee Wright

Live Stream Team: Don Fairman, David McDowell, Jim Parks, Sally Allison

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738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience, still with thee
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray

in low - ly paths of ser - vice free;
 by some clear, win - ning word of love;
 in clos - er, dear - er com - pa - ny,
 far down the fu - ture's broad - ening way;

tell me thy se - cret; help me bear the
 teach me the way - ward feet to stay, and
 in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in
 in peace that on - ly thou canst give, with

strain of toil, the fret of care.
 guide them in the home - ward way.
 trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
 thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

In honestly admitting the limits of human ability, this prayerful hymn does not seek a sense of God's presence for self-comfort but for strength and companionship in pursuing the tasks that God sets before us. The author specifically chose this tune to accompany his words.

TEXT: Washington Gladden, 1879
 MUSIC: Henry Percy Smith, 1874

MARYTON
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AMAZING GRACE — HOW SWEET THE SOUND

1 A - maz - ing grace — how sweet the sound — That
 2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; His
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 Word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 have al - read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to

now am found, Was blind but now I see.
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
 safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, st. 1-3, abr.; John P. Rees, 19th cent., st. 4

Tune: *Columbian Harmony*, Cincinnati, 1829, alt.;

Setting: Edwin O. Excell, 1900, alt.

NEW BRITAIN
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What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine 837

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

1 What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 2 O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 last-ing arms; what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine,
 last-ing arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day,
 last-ing arms? I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near,
 lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms. *Refrain*
 Lean-ing, Lean-ing on Je-sus,
 lean-ing, safe and se-cure from all a-larms; lean-ing on
 Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.

The composer of the tune (and creator of the refrain) asked the author of the stanzas to write a hymn based on the latter part of Deuteronomy 33:27 (as worded in the King James Version): "Underneath are the everlasting arms." Their joint effort has proved very popular.

TEXT: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1887
 MUSIC: Anthony J. Showalter, 1887

SHOWALTER
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This Week at Downtown United Presbyterian

Sunday, July 14

9:00AM Worship Music Rehearsal
10:00AM Worship – Rev. Phil Davis
11:00AM Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

Tuesday, July 16

7:00PM Session Mtg via Zoom

Wednesday, July 17

4:30PM Sunday Forum via Zoom

Thursday, July 18

10:00AM Personnel Mtg via Zoom
7:30PM Building and Property Mtg

Saturday, July 20

11:00AM Rochester Pride Parade
DUPC marching w/Pres. Pride Posse

Sunday, July 21

9:00AM Worship Music Rehearsal
10:00AM Worship- Rev. Phil Davis
11:00AM Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

Sunday, July 28

9:00AM Worship Music Rehearsal
10:00AM Worship- Rev. Phil Davis
11:00AM Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

July 21, 2024 @ 1PM - We will be hosting in the Hallock Lounge a meet and greet and question and answer session with the Candidate for Executive Presbyter for the Genesee Valley Presbytery

August 11, 2024 @ 11:30AM - Presentation and Discussion with representatives of the City of Rochester about the Inner Loop Project in the Shaw Room

Welcome Visitors!

Nursery Care for children up to 2nd Grade is available in room C24.

Children not in nursery care will be invited forward during the “Time with our Children and Youth” for a brief time with the pastor, and then will be taken up to their Sunday School room by their teacher. Parents are welcome to come up with their kids if they would like.

You may place your offering in the offering plates as they are passed. If you would like to donate online you can use the QR code below to make your contribution to the church.

+We seek to use diverse images and liberating language about divine presence in our services of worship. Please feel free to adapt the words in hymns and prayers as needed so that they express your faith.

This is a Hearing Loop equipped sanctuary – please switch your hearing aid to the “T” (telephone) position.

*** An asterisk indicates** “please rise in body or spirit.”

We hope you will join us after worship for conversations and refreshments! Cookies and drinks are available in the front of the sanctuary.



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