ELIJAH KELLOGG CHURCH WORSHIP July 3, 2022 - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Heritage Sunday - a Service of Worship Celebrated at the Old Meeting House

Thought for Meditation —

"Faith requires something more than comfortable self knowledge. It requires difficult things— doubt, repentance, observance— these are perplexing in our world of going with the flow and doing your own thing, a world of comfortable personal space." — Winifred Gallagher, *Working on God*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace...

* Call to Worship —
ONE: Let us come together as a community.
MANY: God has invited us to this moment of meeting.
ONE: Let us share in a new covenant of promise.
MANY: Let us come here with boldness to encounter the Creator.

* HYMN 391 — Be Thou My Vision

Owning Our Church Covenant and an Order for the Sacrament of Communion

We covenant with one another to seek and respond to the Word and the Will of God. We purpose to walk together in the ways of the Lord, made known and to be made known to us. We hold it to be the mission of the Church to witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our community, the nation and all the world, while worshipping God and striving for truth, justice and peace. As did our forebears, we depend on the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us. We pray for the coming of the Kingdom of God, and we look with faith toward the triumph of righteousness and eternal life.

Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Consecration

The 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THANKSGIVING

We thank you God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all Christ's gifts. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth Your presence in our lives. We pray these things in the name of Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS — Luke 10:1-11 [ILV]

[1] ...Jesus appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead in pairs to every town and place the Rabbi intended to visit [2] and said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, rich, but the laborers, the workers are few; therefore ask the overseer of the harvest to send out the laborers, workers to the harvest.

[3] Be on your way. And remember, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. [4] Do not carry a walking stick or knapsack; wear no sandals; greet no one along the way. [5] And whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be upon this house!' [6] And if anyone is there who shares in peace, if the people there live peaceably, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will come back to you. [7] Remain in that same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves a wage. Do not move about from house to house.

[8] Whatever city you enter, after its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; [9] cure the sick who are there in that town. Say to them, 'The reign of God has drawn near to you.' [10] If the people of any town you enter do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, [11] 'We shake the dust of this town from our feet, we wipe off our feet in testimony against you. Yet know this: the reign of God has drawn near.'

Anthem — American Hymn (Carl Strommen)

Sermon — Freedom and Responsibility

Piano Meditation —

Prayers of the People and Pastoral Prayer

* **HYMN** — Help Us Accept Each Other

BENEDICTION

Choral Blessing

Postlude

Harpswell Community Radio – WHPW 97.3 FM Harpswell Community Television – Channel 14 https://vimeo.com/showcase/7960701

Minister's hours for the week of July 4th will be Wednesday from 9 – 12 The office will be closed on Monday, July 4th & Tuesday, July 5th

Serving you this morning:	
Minister	Rev. Mr. Joseph Connolly
.Music Director	Sue Luce
Pianist	Elizabeth Cromwell
Reader	Ruth Smith
Ushers	Nancy Simboli & Wendy Van Damme

Be Thou My Vision



Help Us Accept Each Other



Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

At home...

Ed Phinney	Connie Henry
Nancy Andersen	Gary Anderson

In nursing homes...

In assisted living...

Sam Wright David Ferris

Jane Collins Joan Phillips Ernestine Machesney Evangeline Sparks

Away...

Ellie and George Patterson G

George & Jane Perkins

Sick, in the hospital or rehabilitation...

Gloria	Fryah Morgan
Andrea	C V Noyes
Peggy Anderson	Trina
Dawn	Tom Jones
Valerie Bailey Caron	Jessica

Recovering from illness or surgery...

Ken & Ann Carter

Grieving...

Family of Lorna Kaufman

Special concerns...

Emergency responders / Health care workers / Essential workers...

Thanksgivings...

Birth of Imani Mekial Cotto

Joys...

Praise God for our partnership with WHPW and Channel 14!

Please keep those named above in your prayers. If you have any questions, or would like others to be prayed for, please contact Ruth Smith as Susan Ferris, Chairperson of our Prayer Circle, is away for a couple of weeks. Ruth can be reached at 833-6246, or jandrsmith@myfairpoint.net.

Last Chance Barn Sale TODAY from 12 – 2

EVERYTHING IS 1/2 PRICE!!



Thank you to all who offered their time to help with all the many tasks that go along with making our yearly Barn Sale a HUGE success! We hope to have a grand total of our profit within the next week or two...stay tuned!

Thank you, Sharon Kirker













Women's Fellowship



The bake sale at the Barn Sale was a success because of so many people that baked for it. Also because of all of you who volunteered at the bake table and coffee sale.

McDonalds gave us 84 free coffee cups so you may see the leftover ones at coffee hour. We made \$510 which has been put in our treasury which we will vote on to distribute to the community, Coffee sales went to the Barn Sale. Thank you!! Elly

Lost and Found

Please contact Ruth Smith if you are missing this fork.



EKC SCHOLARSHIP NEWS



The EKC Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that three Educational Grants of \$2500 each have been awarded to three Harpswell residents who are members of the Mt. Ararat Class of 2022. This year's recipients were Lucy Nelson, Barrett Thiboutot, and Elsa Daulerio (not shown in picture). Each young woman had an outstanding academic record while demonstrating leadership in various school activities and athletics, as well as giving generously of their time with community

service. All three also hold part time jobs as well. We were able to meet Lucy, who will be off to Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, and Barrett, who will enjoy the beauty of Rollins College in Florida, as they received their awards during our church service on June 19th. Elsa, who will be staying in Maine at Bates College in Lewiston, could not be with us as scheduled on the 26th due to a bout with Covid, but her award was delivered later that day. All three of these ladies are to be congratulated for their hard work, dedication, and love of Harpswell.

EKC Scholarships are given annually as part of the community outreach of the church. They are funded through generous gifts from members and friends to the EKC Scholarship Fund. Any resident of Harpswell who is graduating from high school is eligible to apply.

We send our love and prayers with this year's amazing group of recipients as they go on to fulfill their life's dreams.

A MESSAGE FROM DENISE PERRY TO MY CHURCH FAMILY:



THANK YOU!

Thank you for the celebration, the special shalom prayer, all the kind words and encouragement, the icecream social, the beautiful plants, and the generous monetary gift.

Thank you for supporting me in my role as Director of Christian Education and Outreach over these last nine years.

Thank you for the love you bestowed upon my family in our times of need, especially the prayers.

I feel blessed to have had the opportunity to serve our God, our church, and our community along-side you.

MAY THE PEACE OF GOD BE WITH YOU!