

TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Proper 24

October 18, 2020

829 Salem Road - Union, New Jersey

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

LAY LEADER

Sing to the Lord and bless God's name.
Tell of God's saving power from day to day.
Worship the Lord in holy splendor.
Tremble before God, all the earth.

OPENING PRAYER

LAY LEADER

Holy God,
you have made us in your image,
and we belong to you alone.
Therefore we offer ourselves to you,
in service, love, and praise.
Use us for the glory of your realm
and the good of your people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OPENING HYMN #658 "God is so Good"

SONG LEADER

CALL TO CONFESSION

LAY LEADER

God does not regard us with partiality,
but with the grace of Christ Jesus
deals with each of us according to our need.
With gratitude for this amazing grace,
let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

ALL

**What a debt we owe to you, O God.
You have given us all things in Christ
and yet we withhold from you
the honor and glory that are yours.
Instead, we pay tribute to empire,
plot to entrap the innocent,
mock your truth with empty praise,
and put your patience to the test.**

**Forgive us, O God, and by your grace
restore in us the image of your face;
through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

LAY LEADER

Let the heavens be glad,
and let the earth rejoice!
Let the sea roar with laughter,
the fields shout in celebration,
and the forests sing with joy:
in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

GLORIA PATRI

ALL

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.**

THE PEACE

LAY LEADER

Renewed through the gifts of God's Spirit,
let us share our visions and dreams of peace
by exchanging signs of Christ's peace with one another.
The Peace of Christ be with you!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PASTOR

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 22:15–22; Genesis 1:26

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SERMON: *“God’s Imprint on Our Lives”*

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HYMN #729 “Lord I Want to be a Christian”

SONG LEADER

JOYS AND CONCERNS, A TIME OF SHARING

PASTOR

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PASTOR

Lord God, with gratitude for all your goodness,
we come to you in prayer—

Building Faith, Changing Lives, Sharing Christ

for our family and friends,
for our sisters and brothers in faith,
and for the world of nations you have made.

Remember those who are dear to us.
Wrap your steadfast love around them,
sustain them in times of trouble,
and keep them always in your care.

Remember the church of Jesus Christ.
Empower us to proclaim the gospel,
strengthen us in our conviction,
and make us imitators of the Lord.

Remember the family of nations.
Send out your Spirit to renew the earth,
welcome all people into your house,
and let your love be known in all the world.

To you, O God, Maker of heaven and earth,
through the power of the Holy Spirit,
in the grace and peace of Christ we pray as you taught us...

**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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

LAY LEADER

The Lord made the heavens,
and all the earth belongs to God.
As Jesus taught us,
let us give to God the things that are God's own.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: HYMN #606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

All honor and majesty, strength and beauty are yours,
Almighty God, maker of heaven and earth.
Let these simple offerings we bring
be a sign of the great glory that is due to your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LAY LEADER

BENEDICTION

PASTOR

CLOSING HYMN #767 “Together We Serve”

SONG LEADER

A Note from Our Treasurer:

Please continue to **mail your weekly offerings** to the church office. **Bill Pay and other online banking options** should also be considered. Online contributions may be made through our church’s website “Give Now” button:



Our church’s Donation Page can also be reached using the Quick Response (QR) Code below. A QR Code is a two-dimensional, modular barcode that, when scanned by a smart phone (most phones use the camera to do this) will connect you to our Donation Page.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10 Pastor John Santiago
19 Bill Jensen
26 Bob Deller

“TIME FOR PRAYER” -- 6:00 PM on Wednesdays

Praying by teleconference. All may call in to pray and/or make prayer requests: Dial-in using your phone: 1 717-275-8940
Access code: 367 0530