

The  
CONGREGATIONAL



CHURCH of EASTON

The church on the hill

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

Rev. Frank Basler

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **\*\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Gather to give thanks with your whole heart.

Rejoice in God's love and faithfulness.

**All: We bow down, for this is God's holy temple.**

**We pour out our thanks in songs of praise.**

One: Wait for God, and hope in God's Word.

Open your hearts to the holy presence in our midst.

**All: Our ears are attentive to the voice of God.**

**We open our lives to God's direction.**

### **\*\*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Our souls wait for you, O God. Our ears are attentive to your word. We hope for a clear understanding of your will for us. Let this time of meeting draw us together in unity with a sense of direction and purpose for our church and our individual lives. Renew us so that nothing we face can undermine our faith or cause us to despair. Claim us as sisters and brothers of Jesus Christ, and help us to reflect this kinship in all that we do and say. Amen.

**\*\*Those who are able may stand.**

PH-Red Pilgrim Hymnal NCH-Black New Century Hymnal BH-Little Blue Hymnal

## **BAPTISM CEREMONY**

### **\*\*UNISON CALL TO CONFESSION**

**We confess, O God, that we often act as if we know better than you what is right for us. We make decisions without considering your larger purposes. Our own convenience and desires are more important to us than your commands. We go our own way and then blame others for our mistakes. Our inner confusion creates division and brokenness. We hide from you rather than admitting our needs. O God, we want to face our sin and find forgiveness. Help us! Amen . *Please be seated. In silence, let us consider ways in which we have missed the mark.***

### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

**\*\*Response of Praise #513 PH *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.***

## **CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

### **PRAYERS**

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

**The Lord’s Prayer (debts)**

**Choral Response: #769 NCH *Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God. Incline your ear to us and grant us your peace. Amen.***

**\*\*HYMN #397 NCH**

*“Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers”*

all 3 verses

### **SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 138

Mark 3:20-35

### **MEDITATION**

*“You Are Christ’s Sisters and Brothers”*

## THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

God asks us for an accounting of what we have done with the wealth entrusted to us. All that we have and all that we are belongs to God. May we give with thankfulness.

### OFFERTORY

Gathering of the gifts with Offertory  
Presentation of the gifts with praise

**\*\*Doxology:** #515 PH *Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*\*UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy One, we thank you for the ways in which you have enfolded us in your love and called us by name to follow your son, Jesus. May these gifts and our lives be used to enfold others in your love. Amen.

**\*\*HYMN #485 PH**      *"This is My Father's World"*    all 3 verses

### \*\*BENEDICTION

### \*\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

### POSTLUDE

**Please join us for Coffee Hour this morning across the street.**

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**Today's flowers** were provided by Marianne Perkins  
in celebration of the Baptism of her grandchildren.

**Confirming Deacon for June** - June Logie  
**Offering** - Debbie Szegedi and Elizabeth Boyce  
**Collectors** - Daisy Colonnese and Nathalie Taranto  
**Coffee Hour** - Marianne Perkins

**Frank will be in the office** on Thursday from 10:00 to 1:00.  
**Summer Bible Study dates** are Thursdays: June 27, July 25,  
and August 22.

**“Grace and peace** to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.” (Romans 1:7, NIV) Welcome to the Lord’s house for worship! If you are visiting, we invite you to sign our guest book, and we hope you will join us across the street for fellowship after the Service.

**Prayer List** - Please keep our members and friends in your prayers, *and especially at this time: Barbara and Tracy Lee, the family of Eric Rutkin, and the McLaughlin Family.*

Please pray for all who mourn or need special prayers of intention, for our congregation, and for friends of our community. You may fill out a Prayer Request card, or call or email the church office to add or remove a name from the list. Thank you for your prayers.

**Next Food Kitchen is Tuesday, June 18.** - Chicken, any style, or any main dish of your choosing, mac and cheese, or pasta, vegetables, fruit, rolls, and/or dessert. There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Church Hall. Food may be dropped off the prior Sunday or Monday between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., or, no later than Tuesday, June 18, at 9:30 a.m. Please indicate that it is for the Food Kitchen. Food should not be warm or hot. Unfortunately, containers cannot be returned. Thank you to all the cooks, bakers and shoppers, and to our delivery team! We can’t do this without you!

**For more information**, contact Genevieve Waterbury (203) 981-9373, g.e.waterbury@gmail.com

**Merton House** - Food Pantry provisions and sample size toiletry items are collected year round in the basket in the entranceway of the Church Hall. They are very appreciative of all the items we provide to them.

**Please note: Extra Food Pantry provisions have been requested.** Please consider dropping off a few of your pantry’s provisions into the plastic container on the Church Hall steps. Thank you.

## **CALENDAR for the CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of EASTON**

### **Sunday, June 9**      **Third Sunday after Pentecost**

10:00 a.m.      Worship  
11:00 a.m.      Coffee Hour

### **Tuesday, June 11**

7:00 p.m.      AA Meeting

### **Thursday, June 13**

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.      Frank’s Office Hours

### **Sunday, June 16**      **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost and Father’s Day**

10:00 a.m.      Worship  
11:00 a.m.      Coffee Hour

### **Tuesday, June 18**

9:30 a.m.      Food Kitchen Delivery  
7:00 p.m.      AA Meeting

### **Thursday, June 20**

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.      Frank’s Office Hours

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*The Reverend Frank Basler, Pastor*

*Organist, Suzanne Lovejoy*

*Council Chair, Phillip Doremus*

*Deacon Chair, Nathalie Taranto*

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