

The
CONGREGATIONAL



CHURCH of EASTON

The church on the hill

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

Rev. Frank Basler

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: This is the hour to bend our knee before God.

This is a time to offer our best to our creator.

**All: We come to be strengthened in our inner being.
We seek to pattern our actions after Christ Jesus.**

One: God's presence evokes our joyous worship.

The Holy Spirit empowers our service.

**All: To God the highest glory in the church.
To God be endless adoration in the world.**

****UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

We are seeking after you, loving God, for you are our refuge. Your power is at work within and among us, even when we are unaware. We want to respond as faithful friends of Jesus. We have come to discover the riches we did not know we possessed. We are here to offer our best for the good of all. Use us, we pray, to accomplish in and through this church, far more than we can imagine. All glory be to you, amazing God, in this and every hour, forever and ever. Amen.

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

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

****HYMN #276 NCH** *“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”*

verses 1, 2 & 3

****UNISON CALL TO CONFESSION**

We who are tossed about in a sea of competing priorities are summoned before God to be drawn back to a life centered in faith. Let us call upon God’s mercy and forgiveness . *Please be seated. In silence, let us consider ways in which we have missed the mark recently.*

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 #19 BH**

“How Great Thou Art”

verses 1, 2 & 4

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 14

Ephesians 4:31 - 5:2

MEDITATION

“Be Kind to One Another”

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** #388 NCH *“Help Us Accept Each Other”* *all 4 verses*
to the tune of “The Church’s One Foundation”

**BENEDICTION

**PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE

**Please join us for Coffee Hour this morning across the street
as we say goodbye to Frank and Susie.**

Today’s flowers were provided by Elizabeth and Don Boyce.

Confirming Deacon - Nathalie Taranto

Offering - Genevieve and Jim Waterbury

Collectors - Daisy Colonnese and Nathalie Taranto

Coffee Hour - The Board of Deacons

Katie will be in the office on Thursday from 10:00 to 1:00.

Next Bible Study will be Thursday, August 22, from 10:30 to 11:45.

“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: For Jim Waterbury and his family, the family of Eric Rutkin, and the McLaughlin family. Deb Olson thanks you for your prayers for the Lee Family and for the twins; her Aunt Barbara is much better, the twins are home!*

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.

Pledging Campaign - Please return your Pledge Cards. If you did not receive the letter from the Stewardship Committee, please contact the Office for more information and/or materials.

Next Food Kitchen will be Tuesday, August 20. - 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 on the prior Sunday or Monday between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., or no later than Tuesday, August 20, at 9:30 a.m. Please label it as 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.

CALENDAR for the CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of EASTON

Sunday, July 28

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship

Coffee Hour-Reception for Rev. Frank Basler

Tuesday, July 30

7:00 p.m.

AA Meeting

Thursday, August 1

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Church Office Hours

Sunday, August 4

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Worship

Coffee Hour

Tuesday, August 6

7:00 p.m.

AA Meeting

Thursday, August 8

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Church Office Hours

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