

#### NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### FOUR CORNERS COMMUNITY CHAPEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

200 Angell Road, Cumberland, Rhode Island 02864

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God the Holy One of Israel, your Savior." Isaiah 43:1-3

> Pastor – Reverend David Pierce Organist – Mr. Vance Westgate

> > Home Worship Liturgy August 2, 2020, 9:30 am



#### CALL TO WORSHIP—Adapted from Isaiah 55

Leader: Stop here, everyone who thirsts. ALL: Come to the waters.

Leader: You that have no money, ALL: come, buy and eat!

*Leader: Without money and without price,* **ALL: come, buy bread and milk.** 

Leader: Bend your ear, and come to me. ALL: Listen, so that you may live.

Leader: Call all the nations and peoples together. ALL: Go out with joy, be led back in peace.

Leader: Burst into song with the mountains and hills. ALL: Clap your hands with the tree and ocean waves.

Leader: For all this shall be a sign for you that God is with you: ALL: Each new morning is a gift of mercy, and every day Love's opportunity.

Leader: Let us worship God together.

## COME All You Who Are THIRSTY

### ISAIAH 55:1

#### HYMN—"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

I am weak but Thou art strong Jesus keep me from all wrong I'll be satisfied as long As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Refrain: Just a closer walk with Thee Grant it, Jesus, is my plea Daily walking close to Thee Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

When my feeble life is o'er Time for me will be no more Guide me gently, safely o'er To Thy kingdom's shore, to Thy shore

Repeat Refrain

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#### **GATHERING PRAYER**

O Lord, we come as we are this morning, for how else could we come? We might try to come as we want to be—looking and feeling more put together, with bigger hearts and deeper pockets. But we confess, we've come as we are. And we bless and thank you for taking us and loving us as we are. In this time and place, give us a vision of a world where all are named, all are welcomed, and all things are made new. May our song be joyful, our prayers be faithful, and our worship be a signpost of grace in a weary land. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

#### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—"Genesis 32:22-31"

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me. So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man-said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

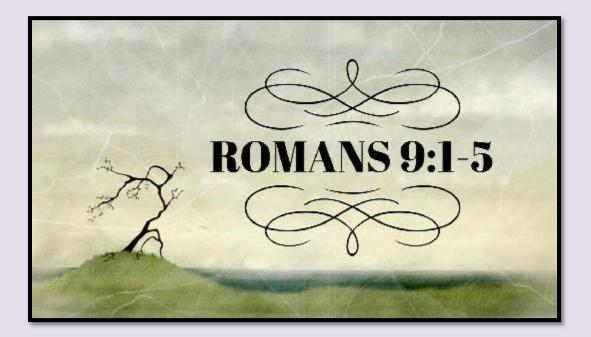
And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

**Genesis 32:30** 

**King James Version** 

#### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—"Romans 9:1-5"

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit— I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.



SERMON Rev. David Pierce



#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us remember the following people in our prayers this week:

For the reconciliation of all God's children on our city streets and in our communities Andy Porder's sister Ami, waiting for brain surgery Dan Stevenson's friend, Rich Parkes, who is at Miriam Hospital, and for his family Prayers of mercy and healing for Bill Caldwell, who is recovering at home Kim Tanguay, who is recovering from a motorcycle accident Carol Smith, Margaret Ordonez's sister Those battling with mental illness and depression All healthcare providers and essential workers Anna Brandenburg-Schroeder, Lea Dau's sister Lisa Fabianski, friend of Diane and Wade Richmond **Cameron Hewey** George Labonte Karli Lamontagne Jason Nelson, nephew of Deb Dennis Lindsay-Rae, daughter of Jim and Brenda Verdoia Mary Wells, friend of Mark and Diane Lamontagne Joe Machado is requesting prayers for Jake Crane, Joe Resendes, Aunt Alice, Cousin Gail, Lucy Gaspar, and family and friends

Please pray for our Chapel members and friends in nursing homes: Bob Gilson, Joe Chopy, Irene Smith, Ruth and Fredrick Hooks

If you would like to have a name added to this weekly list of prayers, or if you know that a name you added can now be removed, please email the office at <u>office@fourcornerschapel.org</u> or call the Church Office at (401) 333-6171.

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The Deacons of Four Corners Community Chapel, in consultation with our church Council, and based on recommendations from the Southern New England Conference of the UCC, have decided to continue suspending in-person Sunday worship services through *at least the end of September*. This decision does not mean that the work and community of our church will be stopped, or even slowed down, at all. We will continue to work creatively and intentionally to partner with and financially support our various mission efforts both locally and globally, knowing how important it is to provide for the least among us at this time especially. In addition, our Deacons are working to keep us connected by providing congregational care through weekly phone calls. Church At Home services will continue online. Please check back to our website (https://www.fourcornerschapel.org) regularly for updates.

During these uncertain times, should you need assistance in some way, please contact the church office or Pastor David. We take it as our calling from God to do what we can to provide for each other's needs as best we can. Our Chapel office is now operating remotely. Phone messages will be checked during the week, so please continue to call the office at 401-333-6171 if you have any questions or concerns, and leave a message. Please note that your call may not be returned immediately. When sending mail to the Chapel, including any financial pledges or donations, please send it to 200 Angell Road, Cumberland, RI 02864. *Please do not send any mail to our PO Box at this time.* 

Likewise, you may also reach out to us via email by contacting us at office@fourcornerschapel.org, as email will also be checked throughout the week.

We will continue to use Constant Contact to reach out to you via group emails. If you have not signed up to receive "Down on the Corner" electronic newsletters, please visit our website and click the blue banner at the bottom of the home page to sign up.

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