

August 14, 2016
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: Prelude and Fugue in C Major J.S. Bach

Chiming of the Hour

***Hymn:** #19 *Praise the Lord, His Glories Show*

Joys & Concerns

Introit: *O Hear Our Cry, O Lord*

Call to Worship

One: Return, beloved of God, to the fold.
God welcomes you to this hour of prayer.

**All: God calls us by name and awaits our coming.
God summons us out of hiding.**

One: God is like a shepherd, caring for her flocks.
God is like a gardener, carefully tending his vines.

**All: Surely God has provided richly for us.
Our lives are sustained by God's good gifts.**

One: Worship the one who longs for our coming.
Sing praise to the one who expects our faithfulness.

**All: We call on God, who gives us life.
May God's face shine on us to save us.**

One: Come let us worship together!

Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

Surrounded by a rich heritage of faith, we seek to know you, God, in this time of worship. Thankful for our spiritual ancestors, we return to our roots to find our true identity. We lay aside all that weighs us down and fills us with doubts so we can give attention to your call and your message. Meet us here, we pray. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O God, after all you have done for us, we have failed to bear fruit for you. We have turned away from your Word and have forgotten to call on your name. People who are weak, lonely, and destitute receive little help from our hands because we are preoccupied with our own concerns. Lift us from the shadows of our own deceits and let your face shine on us so we may walk once more in your truth. Amen.

Moment of Silent Prayer

Assurance of God's Love

***Gloria Patri:** *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.*

Responsive Reading – Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19

(Page 665 HS in the pew bible)

Reading from the Hebrew Scripture – Isaiah 5:1-7

(Page 776 HS in the pew bible)

***Hymn:** #485 *This Is My Father's World*

Offering of Gifts

Anthem: *Gospel Medley* Mark Hayes
Jack Brown, bass

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

Prayer of Dedication

New Testament Reading – Hebrews 11:29-12:2

(Page 274 NT in the pew bible)

Sermon: "Routine Maintenance"

Reverend Diane Monti-Catania

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Response: *Serenity* Charles Ives

Jack Brown, bass

***Hymn:** #195 & #196 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Benediction

Response: *O Lord, Our God, Return*

Postlude: *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* Flor Peeters
(* Please stand if able)

Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and fellowship following worship. Our host today is Debby Mark.

Hearing assist devices are available; please see an usher if you would like to use one.

Our Lay Reader today is Linda Estabrook.

Our ushers today are Stephanie Tierney & Ellie Owens.

We welcome Jack Brown as the morning soloist. Jack teaches at The Hotchkiss School and is director of the Berkshire Lyric Chorus.

Prayer List

Lynne Kronholm, Paul McAbee, Arden Godshall, Rosanne Lamson, Jack Ritchie, Mark Lundeen, Dan Rashkoff, Jose Luis Marti, Kay & Stan Norman, Shirley Rogers, Jane Fitting, Nancy Tuckerman, Kit Kellogg, Barbara Jacqueline, Gloria Buckley, Petie Robinson, Jeri Johnson, Nancy Smith, Ben & the Godfrey Family, Brenda, Joe and Reverend John Hay & family.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Today	7 pm Pastor Diane preaches in Wildwood
Monday	7 pm Jazz Band Rehearsal
Thursday	7 pm Faith Discussions in the Parish Hall
Sunday	9 am Mindful Meditation 11:15 am Hospitality Meeting

OPPORTUNITIES

WORSHIP IN WILDWOOD

Pastor Diane, along with special soloist Charles Noyes, will be preaching today at the church in Wildwood at 7pm. All are welcome to attend!

TIME FOR MINDFULNESS BEFORE WORSHIP

A group gathers on Sunday mornings from 9-9:45 am in the Parish Hall Library for meditation prior to the worship service. Open to all!

FAITH DISCUSSIONS

Kevin Wolgemuth is leading a discussion group with people interested in exploring questions of faith over the summer. We will continue on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Childcare/babysitting can be made available if you contact Kevin two days in advance:

k.wolgemuth@yahoo.com. All are welcome!

DEDICATE A HYMNAL

New hymnals are available to purchase for the church. Multiple copies may be purchased, dedicated and donated. Each hymnal is \$25.00. You can pick up a dedication form at the church or download the form from our website.

CHURCH PICNIC ~ SAVE THE DATE

You are invited to the annual summer picnic on Sunday, August 28, 2016 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Pastor Diane and Joe Catania's home, 5 Bunker Hill Road, Salisbury, CT. Please bring a dessert or side dish to share. They will have hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks. Please bring lawn chairs if you have them; bring your bathing suit ~ Lifeguard provided.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR COFFEE HOUR AND FLOWERS

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