



Chatham Community Church

Joined in the Spirit
July 22, 2018

Congregational Choral Opening to Worship (a cappella)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God Almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty
God in three Persons, blessed trinity.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us. We rejoice that you are here today!

Music for Prayer and Meditation

Let us silence our hearts, our minds, and our voices to worship our God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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People: **As we worship together, let us also listen, question and learn.**

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People: **Our journeys may be different but our destination is the same. May our time of worship strengthen us to be better disciples of Jesus.**

Voice of Mary, the Mother of Jesus

ALL: Then fill us with your sacrificial love, O God, so that we may experience a taste of your kingdom this hour. Then send us forth with cups overflowing, so that all the world may know your kingdom of love and grace.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray...

God of wonder, we thank you that we are your children and that we hope in your Spirit. Your Spirit guides us as people whom you want to draw to yourself. Grant that we may be open to you, so that your Spirit can enable us to invite more people into relationship with Jesus. Let our worship be meaningful for us and glorify you above all. Amen.

*Opening Hymn #344

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

Children's Moment

EXPRESSING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer Hymn Prayer Hymn #482

"Sanctuary"

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer *(words printed in hymnal #740)*

Prayer Response #490: **Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.**

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology #34

**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

GOD'S WORD REVEALED

*Hymn of Preparation #664

"Thy Word"

Scripture Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Message

"He Restores My Soul"

Pastor Patty

*Closing Hymn #473

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

***Benediction and Congregational Response**

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever.
May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

***Postlude**

**please stand as you are able*

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Pastor Patty will be in Chatham Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday afternoons

Please continue to pray for...

Hoyt Mis, Lou Gehrig's disease
Larry Staples, health concerns
Laura Tice, health concerns
Jeff Natterer, health concerns
Clarice, Rosalie's sister – health concerns
Ethan Siman, Adam Klein in the service
Bud Sudar and family – Bud has serious heart issues

UPCOMING EVENTS

✓ Sunday, July 22 – Worship Committee meeting after worship

Record of our Faithfulness

Our offering last week at the community service went to Feeding Medina County. Thank you to all who shared your gifts.

WOMEN'S GROUP MISSION – The Women's Group is collecting new or very gently used towels, wash clothes, and full-sized sheets for the three veterans' homes in Lodi. Please leave your contributions in the narthex.

SUMMER WORSHIP – The second Sunday of each month through September we are planning on worshipping in the pavilion followed by a potluck luncheon. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend to join us!

In Service to God and the Church

Accompaniment: Karen Geisinger

Lay Leader: Greg Theus

Lay Servants: Jacci Orosz

Liturgist: Jacci Orosz

Ushers and Greeters: Zeke Arters and Judy Arters



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Voice of Mary, the Mother of Jesus: We were on our way home from Jerusalem after the Passover festival when somebody asked, ‘Where is Jesus?’ Nobody knew. Immediately Joseph and I headed back to Jerusalem, looking for Jesus. As we traveled the days journey, my thoughts terrified me. What happened to my 12-year-old son? Finally we found him in the temple, sitting among teachers, listening and asking them questions.

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People: **As we worship together, let us also listen, question and learn.**

Voice of Mary, the Mother of Jesus: When my son became an adult, he left our home and traveled throughout the land. Often crowds gathered to listen to him. Many asked him questions. He taught people about God, telling them stories and parables and asking them questions. Some called him “Rabbi,” which means “teacher.”

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Voice of Mary, the Mother of Jesus: Some who learned from Jesus decided to follow him. They devoted their lives to him and the practice of his teachings. They were called his disciples.

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Voice of Mary, the Mother of Jesus: My son Jesus was 33 when he died. He suffocated to death hanging from a cross. Yet, through his death he taught the world the greatest lesson of all. He taught us that God is stronger than death and that sacrificial love is the way God’s love is bringing God’s kingdom of peace and wholeness on earth as it is in heaven.

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