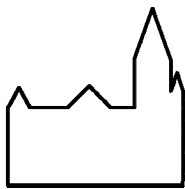


**FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH  
OF ENGLEWOOD**



**LIVE** boldly  
**SHARE** boundlessly  
**GROW** community  
**BUILD** God's world

February 1, 2015  
Eleven o'clock

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**THE GATHERING**

*The service of worship begins with the prelude; quiet is requested as you enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship. In the spirit of Christian fellowship, we invite you to wear a name tag which is available from the greeters. As a community that prays with and for one another, we invite you to share your joys and concerns by using the prayer cards available from the ushers and in the pew racks. Those parts of the Service of Worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in bold type. **Please stand as you are able.***

**PRELUDE**                      Prelude, Fugue and Variation                      Franck

\* **HYMN 466**                      O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing                      Azmon

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 62:5-7):

Leader: For God alone our souls wait in silence

**People: For our hope is from God alone.**

Leader: God alone is our rock and our salvation

**People: God is our fortress; we shall not be shaken.**

Leader: On God alone rests our deliverance and our honor

**People: Our refuge is in God!**

**INTROIT**                      O Praise the Lord                      Adrian Batten

*O praise the Lord all ye heathen, Praise him, all you nations. For his merciful kindness is evermore and more toward us. And the truth of the Lord endureth forever and ever.*

*Amen.*

PSALM 117:1-2

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, as we gather to worship and to praise you, forgive us when we put our other responsibilities ahead of the call to discipleship. Too often we make our other obligations and commitments our priorities. Forgive us when we are reluctant disciples, and renew our desire to follow you even if it means completely changing the direction of our lives. May we re-align our priorities with yours. Renew our trust in you and help us to deepen our relationship with you. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray.

## PRAYERS OF SILENT AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Friends, believe and proclaim the Good News:  
in Jesus Christ, love breaks through hatred, hope breaks  
through despair, life breaks through death.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, loved, and set free.  
Thanks be to God! Amen.

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymnal No. 579      *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, Amen.*

\* EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Leader: Let us open our hearts to one another as Christ has opened  
his heart to us, and God will be glorified.

*People: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

(Exchange Signs of Reconciliation and the Peace of Christ with your  
neighbor - e.g., *"The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you."*

Response - *"And also with you."*)

+ *Children and Youth leave for Church School Classes.* +

# THE WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

### \* HYMN 392

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

*Hall*

### SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

### SERMON

“Appearances”

Rev. Richard S. Hong

### \* NICENE CREED

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

Miracle Worker

*Lyle Neff*

*There was a man from Galilee who worked his wonders quietly.  
As people heard about him, they would come for help from miles away.  
Because of him the lame could walk, the deaf could hear, the mute could talk.  
Through him, the blind could see, and then the leper's skin was clean again.*

Jesus: he was a miracle worker. Jesus: he was a miracle man.  
Jesus: he is the living Savior. Jesus can save the sinner, yes, he can!

No one is like the miracle worker; Jesus can save the sinner, he can!  
The crowds in desert land he fed, and he could even raise the dead.  
Demand reward for this? He could, but asked for only brotherhood.  
Of all things this man could do, this most touches me and you.  
After dying on a tree, he arose to set us free. The miracle is Jesus.

## \* THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

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

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### THE INVITATION

#### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

*People: We lift them to the Lord.*

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Pastor: Eternal and ever-living God...

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name.

SANCTUS 568 (choir and congregation)

Weaver

Pastor: Holy God, in Your mercy . . .

. . . Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.*

Pastor: We take this bread and wine and joyfully celebrate this Holy Sacrament. ... And now, with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray:

*People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us  
our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. —Revelation 3:20*

All who trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to participate in this celebration.

**BREAD:** To be taken individually, symbolic of your personal commitment to God through Jesus Christ. For those who are gluten-sensitive, the cups on each paten (bread plate) contain gluten-free crackers.

**CUP:** Please wait until all are served, symbolic of your corporate belonging together in the body of Christ. Grape juice is the fruit of the vine used in our celebration of the sacrament.

## COMMUNION

Ave Verum

Gounod

*Ave Verum Corpus natum de Maria Virgine. Vere passum immolatum  
in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum aqua fluxit et sanguine. Esto nobis  
praegustatum in mortis examine. O dulcis! O pie! O Iesu Fili Mariae. Amen.*

Hail, true Body, truly born of the Virgin Mary mild. Truly offered, wracked and torn, on the Cross for all defiled, from Whose love-pierced, sacred side flowed Thy true Blood's saving tide: be a foretaste sweet to me in my death's great agony. O my loving, Gentle One, Sweetest Jesus, Mary's Son. Amen.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### THE SENDING OUT

\* HYMN 438

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Dennis

\* BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

*Our worship ends with the conclusion of the Postlude. (It is the custom of our church to remain seated. Those who wish to leave may do so.)*

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## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (NRSV)

The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. <sup>16</sup>This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." <sup>17</sup>Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. <sup>18</sup>I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. <sup>19</sup>Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. <sup>20</sup>But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

### 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 (NRSV)

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup>Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; <sup>3</sup>but anyone who loves God is known by him.

<sup>4</sup>Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." <sup>5</sup>Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—<sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup>It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>"Food will not bring us close to God." We are no

worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? <sup>11</sup>So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. <sup>12</sup>But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

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