

Plymouth Congregational Church
Confirmation and Faith Formation Sunday
June 13, 2021 - 10:00am





PRELUDE – We come together to worship

Jesus Loves Me

Kyle Jones, trumpet

William Bradbury



LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE – We carry God's light into worship

Alice Dunne



WORDS OF WELCOME - We are glad you are here!

Kim Looney



OPENING SONG – We sing to God

I've Got the Joy in My Heart

Jacob, Eli, and
Sarah Wright

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart.

Where?

Down in my heart!

Where?

Down in my heart!

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart

Down in my heart to stay.

Refrain (sung after each verse)

And I'm so happy, so very happy,

I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

And I'm so happy, so very happy,

I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

I've got the peace that passes understanding down in my heart!

Where?

Down in my heart!

Where?

Down in my heart!

I've got the peace that passes understanding down in my heart!

Down in my heart to stay.

I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart.
Where?
Down in my heart!
Where?
Down in my heart!
I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart.
Where?
Down in my heart to stay.



CALL TO WORSHIP – Hi, God! We are here.

Amelia Wright

One: The Joy of God fills the air! Can you feel it?
Many: God of Joy, fill our hearts!
One: The Love of God fills the air! Can you feel it?
Many: God of Love, fill our hearts!
One: The Peace of God fills the air! Can you feel it?
Many: God of Peace, fill our hearts!
**All: *Fill the air, O God, that we might feel your presence.
Fill our hearts, O God, that we might overflow with your joy, love,
and peace.***



INVOCATION (*unison*) - We pray together

Kaleigha Spinner

**Gracious God,
We feel your presence all around us and within us.
You are the One who helps the trees grow taller, making shelter for the
birds and their babies.
You are the One who helps the flowers bloom from cracking seeds and
little sprouts.
You are the One who helps the animals in our care grow bigger, taller,
stronger.
You are the One who helps us grow in strength and knowledge,
understanding and kindness.
Be with us today as our hearts grow in Joy, Love, and Peace. Amen.**



PASSING OF THE PEACE –
We share God's peace

One: Peace be with you.
All: And also with you.

*Share a physically distanced
"peace sign" with those
around you.*



PRAISE SONG

Peace Like a River

No. 478

Jacob, Eli, and Sarah Wright

**I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.**

**I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.**

**I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.**

**I've got faith like an anchor, I've got faith like an anchor,
I've got faith like an anchor in my soul.
I've got faith like an anchor, I've got faith like an anchor,
I've got faith like an anchor in my soul.**

THE GIFT OF THE WORD



SCRIPTURE – We listen to the Word of God
Isaiah 55:12

Abby Otte (reader)
Elias Mannion (motions)



*For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap
their hands.*



STATEMENTS OF FAITH FROM CONFIRMANDS

Ethan Petrie
Elliot Petrie

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Ethan Petrie
Elliot Petrie

Eric Jackson



CONFIRMATION HYMN – We sing to God
Take My Life and Let It Be

No. 448

**Take my life, God, let it be consecrated faithfully.
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my spirit, let it move at the impulse of your love.
Take my intellect and use all its powers as you choose.**

**Take my will; your will be done! Make your will and mine be one.
Take my heart, and by your grace make of it your dwelling place.**

**Take my love and help it grow; let my loving overflow.
Take me now, and help me be part of Christ's community.**

GIVING THANKS



BIBLE PRESENTATION & BLESSING

Kim Looney

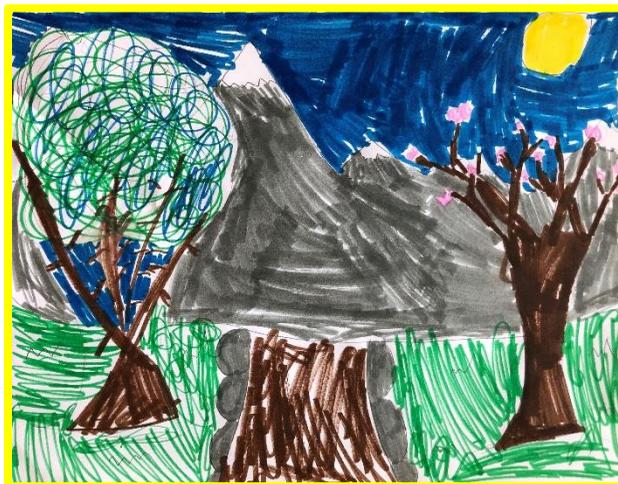
Sedona Bradley - 10th grade
Tristan Bradley - 7th grade
Chloe Carr – 11th grade
Ray Carr – 8th grade
Harry Crawford – 6th grade
Maya Fredette – 11th grade
Bobbi Griffith – 10th grade
Bryson Griffith – 8th grade
Jazmine Harton – 6th grade
Johsly Harton – 8th grade
Abigail Mannion – 8th grade

Rhiannon Matt – 8th grade
Ryan Norman-Preston - 3 years
Elliot Petrie – 10th grade
Ethan Petrie – 12th grade
Malcolm Petrie - 3rd grade
Thalia Petrie – 7th grade
Luke Scanlon – 7th grade
Sophie Scanlon – 7th grade
DaCoda Weller – 6th grade
Amelia Wright - 3rd grade



VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Jim Dunne
Chris Hopkins
Linda Kraemer
Lydia Kurt
Rebecca Mannion
Stacey Otte
Esther Zorn



ACOLYTE RECOGNITION

Alice Dunne
Elias Mannion
Abby Otte

Emily Otte
Amelia Wright



SOLO – We sing to God

This Little Light of Mine

Jaya Rogala



RECOGNITION OF THE GRADUATES

Eric Jackson

Olive Crawford
Ethan Petrie
Sara Signorelli
Joe Venable



PASTORAL PRAYER/PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES – We pray together



PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR – We pray together

Laine Petrie

**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.**



OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS



CALL TO THE OFFERING - We thank God and bring our gifts

Eric Jackson



OFFERTORY MUSIC

Take My Gifts

No. 562

**Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me,
Gave me light and food and shelter, gave me life and set me free,
Now because your love has touched me, I have love to give away,
Now the bread of love is rising, loaves of love to multiply!**

**Take the fruit that I have gathered from the tree your Spirit sowed,
Harvest of your own compassion, juice that makes the wine of God,
Spiced with humor, laced with laughter--flavor of the Jesus life,
Tang of risk and new adventure, taste and zest beyond belief.**

**Take whatever I can offer-- gifts that I have yet to find,
Skills that I am slow to sharpen, talents of the hand and mind,
Things made beautiful for others in the place where I must be:
Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me.**



DOXOLOGY – We sing “Praise God”

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below!
Praise God for all that love has done!
Creator, Christ, and Spirit one. Amen.**



PRAYER OF DEDICATION – We bless our gifts

Eric Jackson



CLOSING SONG – We sing as we go

Trees of the Field

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace.
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands.**

**And all the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap)
The trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap)
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.**



BENEDICTION – We go out in God's name



POSTLUDE – We go in peace

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Plymouth Choir

P.C. Lutkin



Bulletin Artists:

- Harry Crawford
- Alice Dunne
- David Dunne
- Adena Giroux
- Violet Giroux
- Kloie King
- Ronaldo King
- Emily Otte
- Silas Petrie

Sidewalk Chalk Artists:

- Miles Looney
- Ryan Norman-Preston
- Austin Waters

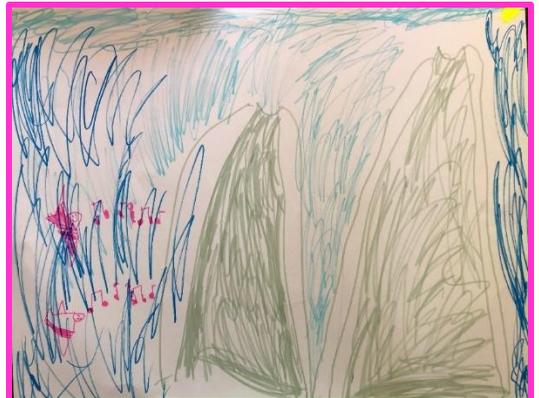
Worship Planning Team:

- Elias Mannion
- Jaya Rogala
- Luke Scanlon
- Sophie Scanlon
- Kaleigha Spinner

☞ Plymouth Runs On YOU ☜

DEACON ON DUTY: Cindy Perrine

WORSHIP ZOOM COORDINATOR: Susan
Hawks



✿ Joys and Concerns ✿

In the week ahead, you are invited to pray for:

- * A future free from the bondage of racism, and for courage to make right the wrongs of the past in our communities and our nation
- * Hannah, friend of Linda Milosky and Shiu-Kai Chin recovering from illness
- * Corrine, friend of Linda Milosky and Shiu-Kai Chin recovering from illness
- * Luis Morales and Bob Watrous on the loss of their two dogs, Lindsie and Selma
- * Reed James Kurt, born May 25 to Lydia and Jim Kurt and joining brothers Oliver and Graham
- * John Davies, experiencing respiratory difficulties
- * Kathy Ciarpelli, experiencing health issues
- * The Dunne family in prayer for people who are feeling desperate due to poverty or isolation and resort to desperate acts
- * Myrtle Bryant, suffering from severe neck pain
- * Celeste and her husband, Vic, friends of Andrea Stoeckel
- * Naomi Meckley, Lori Forrester's mother, in hospice care
- * People recovering from Covid and the impact on their lives
- * Strength of hope and healing to those people working in nursing homes and long-term care facilities and to those who reside in those facilities
- * Allen Winslow, Nancy Winslow's son, diagnosed with lung cancer
- * Jane Zorn Gordon, undergoing continued treatments for cancer
- * The little girl David and Carly Alicea are in the process of adopting
- * Rev. Gordon Webster

Rev. Eric Jackson, Pastor, ejackson@plymouthsyr.org

Dr. Joseph Downing, Director of Music

Kim Looney, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries

Kathy Ferro, Church Administrator

Mark Johnson, Sexton

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☞ Some Things You Ought to Know ☜

This Sunday is Confirmation and Faith Formation Sunday: We celebrate this exciting day at the Bay View Shelter at Onondaga Lake Park with a worship service primarily led by the children and youth and including the Rite of Confirmation, Bible Presentations, Volunteer Recognition, Acolyte Recognition, and Graduate Recognition. After worship you are invited to stick around for a socially-distanced picnic lunch (bring your own meal). In case of rain, we will worship together via Zoom.

Outdoor In-person Worship planned for June and July: As Plymouth continues the journey of determining how and when it is safe to re-open the physical church, plans are in place for in-person worship outdoors as a first step toward being together again. Worship will continue to be streamed live on Facebook and available by phone via Zoom:

June 20: Onondaga Lake Park - Sawmill Creek Shelter
(accessed from the Willow Bay Park parking area)

June 27: The “point” at Plymouth

All four Sundays in July: The “point” at Plymouth

In the event of rain, please check your email Sunday morning at 8am or listen to the church voicemail’s message for the plan for that particular Sunday

In order to help us plan and to worship safely together, please:

- 1) Register by calling the church office or signing up [HERE](#);
- 2) Bring your own chair or blanket and sit socially distanced from those not in your household;
- 3) Wear a mask when not seated (there are some adults in our community and all children under 12 who have not been vaccinated)

Need a ride to outdoor worship services in the park? Contact the church office and we’ll work on connecting you with a driver.

Greeters and Ushers Needed for Outdoor Worship: A sure signal that things are returning to normal is the need for greeters and ushers. Greeters say hello as people arrive and help direct them to the worship space. Ushers can distribute the bulletin and help collect the offering once we are back in the sanctuary.

If you are excited to see people again and can assist with worship, please sign up on the Plymouth website <https://www.plymouthsyr.org/> under the Get Involved tab. It isn’t difficult and you can pick your date. Or call or email Kathy in the church office to sign up.

Juneteenth campaign is underway: With the help of AT&T and the City of Syracuse, the Syracuse Ignite Juneteenth campaign is celebrating freedom by highlighting Black-owned businesses in food, film, and fashion. From now through June 19, celebrate and ignite the spirit of Juneteenth by nominating Black-owned entrepreneurs and creatives, competing in contests, and sharing on social media that we are supporting our communities. This link <https://mailchi.mp/a615fd96d65b/syracuse-ignite-juneteenth-campaign> describes the celebration in more detail.

Alliance of Communities Transforming Syracuse (ACTS) June Virtual Event: Join fellow members of ACTS on **Monday, June 21 at 6:30pm** for an exciting evening that will include:

- **Guest Speaker: Rabbi David Kunin**, Congregation Beth Sholom-Chevra Shas
- **Jazz Music** performed and recorded by CNY Jazz Central
- **Presentation of the Volunteer Leadership Award** to ACTS member Bonnie Shultz
- **ACTS Program Report** on I-81 and Transportation by Peter Sarver, ACTS Convener - Moving People Transportation Coalition

For detailed event information and registration, please visit: bit.ly/JUNEACTS

please ensure to read event information page prior to registering

****If you prefer to register offline, please contact ACTS at officemanager.acts@gmail.com****

United We End Racism is a NEW event presented by the El-Hindi Center for Dialogue at InterFaith Works. The event combines the visions of the annual Duck Race to End Racism and Racial Justice Awards to present a unique event in which the community celebrates the work being done to eliminate racism and bring about justice. The event will be held on Saturday, June 26th, streamed on YouTube at 11:00 a.m., and rebroadcast on Facebook at 7:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT PLYMOUTH

- Mon. June 14 Church Office Closed – Staff Vacation
Food Pantry, 2pm – 4pm
- Tues. June 15 Church Council*, 5:30pm via Zoom
Board of Christian Formation*, 7:00pm via Zoom
- Thurs. June 17 Church Office Closed – Staff Vacation
- Sun. June 20 Worship 10am, in-person at Sawmill Creek Shelter at Onondaga Lake Park and streamed live on Facebook

** Board meetings are open to all; please contact the Church Office to be put in contact with the Chair who can receive your request for voice during the meeting and share online meeting information with you.*