

*Pebble Hill
Presbyterian Church*



Worship for October 16, 2022

Worship for Sunday, October 16, 2022
19th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship 10AM

Meditation (in preparation for worship)

"If there existed only a single sense for the words of scripture, then the first commentator who came along would discover it, and other hearers would experience neither the labor of searching, nor the joy of finding."

Ephrem the Syrian

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to teach them that they should always pray and never become discouraged."

Luke 18:1

"...prayer is not asking for what you think you want but asking to be changed in ways you can't imagine. To be more grateful, more able to see the good in what you have been given instead of always grieving for what might have been....when a prayer is answered, it is never in a way that you expect."

Kathleen Norris

in *Amazing Grace*

Prelude

Antiphon

Dupre'

Welcome

We are so glad you are here! If you are new or visiting, please sign the guest pad in the pews so that we may get to know you better and send you our e-newsletter. Please join us for refreshments during our Fellowship Hour after the service.

**Please stand if you are able. Congregation reads the bold print.*

***Call to Worship:** Psalm 121: 1-2 (from today's psalter) **Andrew Trapasso**
Please stand for the Call to Worship
If I lift up mine eyes to the hills, where shall I find help?
Help comes only from the Lord, Maker of Heaven and Earth.

***Hymn #687** *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* Croft

***Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God: we confess that we have failed you, spurning the resources of prayer, doubting your power to shape and mold our lives. We confess that we have failed those we love and who depend upon us, not loving as fully as we can, leaving kind words unsaid, withholding caring actions, doing and saying things that wound. We confess that we have failed ourselves, making feeble use of our gifts, falling short of our goals, failing to accept forgiveness for our faults and the grace to begin anew. God, grant us now the peace to part with past failure and the courage to accept the future you offer...

Silent Prayer

A Time of Silence

[Please take this time in silence to offer your own prayers of confession—confessing your need for God and naming those barriers that keep you from knowing life as God's beloved child.]

Collect # 469

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit to this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love. Send us power.

Send us grace.

Declaration of Pardon

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Through Christ God restores us to faith, hope and love.
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*Passing the Peace

Gloria #331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand (v.4)
Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud and praise be ever Thine.

Children's Story: God, Do You Know How I Feel? by Marc Gellman

Hymn #688 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart (v.1)
(Teacher and students leave for their classes)

Scripture: Luke 18:1-8 **Andrew Trapasso**
Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

A Few Words about Scripture

Rev. Stuart Hayes

Offertory Invitation

God calls us to lives of grateful generosity. Let us praise the Giver of all good gifts through our offering today.

Anthem

Seek Ye First

Lafferty

***Doxology:** God of Grace and God of Glory (v.3)

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;

Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,
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Dedication

Rev. Stuart Hayes

Announcements

Moment for Mission

David Hitchcock

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

*Hymn #269

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lancashire

Benediction

Postlude

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Welcome to our worship at Pebble Hill!

If you are with us for the first time, we hope that you find our worship meaningful and our fellowship inviting.

*Please reach out to Pastor Stuart or
Nancy Byrne to learn more about Pebble Hill Church.*

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Please keep in your prayers this week

- ❖ We pray for Jean Snow as she settles in at Brookdale, Manlius. The address is 100 Flume Road Room 261, Manlius, NY 13104.

- ❖ We pray for all caregivers.
- ❖ We pray for New Jerusalem and Eastern Farmworkers as they assist those in need in our communities.
- ❖ We pray for the victims of floods and storms throughout the world.
- ❖ We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray for a peaceful resolution of the war.
- ❖ We pray for all those experiencing famine throughout the world.
- ❖ We pray for this country; may it find peace from all the discord.
- ❖ We pray for the Elders and Deacons of this church. We pray for the PNC.

Announcements

Ron Cavanagh and Dan Radcliffe will be leading the Forum on Environmental Stewardship today at 11:15 am in the Forum Room.



As we are all aware, drought, flood, war and the disruptions caused by Covid have resulted in widespread food insecurity, famine and starvation. We have the opportunity to help those in need by supporting CROP as a walker or sponsor. The walk is today, October 16. Speak with David Hitchcock for details or you can give on line at crophungerwalk.org. When you arrive on the website, scroll down to the black and white section and enter the name David Hitchcock or Pebble Hill Presbyterian and make a contribution there.

From the Witness to Racial Reconciliation Team

On Wednesday, Oct. 19th we will continue our exploration on zoom of the Jim Crow Era focusing on the economic constraints African Americans dealt with during this period and their long-term repercussions.

Video on You tube to watch before the session: Rise and Fall of Jim Crow: pt. 3

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This Week at Pebble Hill 10/16-10/22

Sunday	11:15 am	Environmental Forum – Forum Room
Monday	5:00 pm	PHPC Women’s Dinner – King David’s
	5:30 pm	Christian Education Meeting - Zoom
	6:30 pm	PNC meets - Forum
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bluebirds – Forum
	9:30 am	Finance Meeting – Conference Room
	5:00 pm	Daisy Girl Scout Troop – Kindergarten Room
	7:00 pm	Syracuse Chorale Rehearsal - FH
Wednesday:	4:30 pm	Alzheimer’s Group – Lounge, Conference Room
	4:30 pm	Bluebirds - Forum
Thursday:	9:30 am	Bluebirds – Forum
	4:30 pm	Bluebirds – Forum
	5:00 pm	Salt City Ukulele Group – FH
	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft
Friday	9:30 am	Bluebirds - Forum
Saturday	9:00 am	Bluebirds – Forum

Thank you to today's ministry assistants:
Jackie Talcik and Carol Ganotis - Ushers

REV. STUART HAYES – BRIDGE PASTOR
BETTE KAHLER – DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
ANDREW TRAPASSO – LITURGIST

*Flowers for this morning's service were donated by Dale and Madeleine Pease.
Thank you.*

THANKS TO THOSE WHO ARE LIVE STREAMING THIS MORNING'S SERVICE



Sermon Notes