



Shine God's Light

As disciples of Christ, we share and rejoice
in the warmth of God's love and light by
teaching the holy word,
servng Christ's community, and
growing together in faith.



October 22, 2023
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

The Service for the Lord's Day

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9:30 am

Prelude

Soon and Very Soon
Sign Me Up
FPC Band

Andraé Crouch
Kevin Yancy

Call to Worship

One: Lord, you have welcomed us, saying, "I know you by name, and you have found favor with me."

All: Lord, you have promised us, saying, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

One: Lord, you have blessed us, saying, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you."

All: Lord, you have humbled us, saying, "I will proclaim my holy name in your presence." Lord, show us your glory! We worship you!

*Hymn

Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

No. 628

Prayer of Confession

One: The Lord reigns! Majestic God, do we tremble in awe before you? (pause)

All: The Lord reigns! Worthy God, have we raised your name in praise? (pause)

One: The Lord reigns! Sovereign God, have we executed justice? (pause)

All: The Lord reigns! We bow before you, holy God.

Forgive us. Cleanse us. Free us. In the strong name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: The Lord said to Moses: There is a place near me where you may stand upon a rock.

All: When my glory passes by, I'll put you in a cleft in the rock.

One: I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by.

All: Beloved Ones, God has shielded us, covered our sin with the hand of protection as we hide ourselves in Christ, the rock of our salvation.

One: Know that your sins are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Passing the Peace *(Please check first with those you approach)*

Welcome and Announcements

Time with Children

*Children's offering will be collected as they come forward for the message.
After the message, children and youth may depart for Sunday School or return to their pew.*

Prayer for Illumination

Kim Bailey-Manzella

First Reading Exodus 33: 12-23(pg.70)

Anthem

10,000 Reasons

Matt Redman

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, worship his holy name. Sing like never before, oh my soul, I worship your holy name. The sun comes up. It's a new day dawning. It's time to sing your song again. Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come, still my soul will sing your praise unending ten thousand years and then forevermore. Sing like never before, oh my soul, I worship your holy name. Lord, I worship your holy name.

Gospel Reading Matthew 22: 15-22(pg. 803)

Sermon

Separation of Church and State

Rev. Amy Lincoln

Offering

We invite you to consider giving out of gratitude to God after worship today either by placing your offering in the wooden box hanging on the wall at each exit, scanning the QR code in your pew and/or giving online through the church website at www.flemingtonpres.org, or mailing a check to the church office at 10 East Main Street, Flemington, NJ 08822. We give thanks for your generosity, allowing our mission and ministry together to continue.

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

We trust you, Lord God, to multiply the blessings these gifts represent, as we pour out your love and grace on those who long to hear your word to them, to see your power at work within them, to feel your comfort beside them, through the generous gifts of your Spirit. Amen.

*Doxology

No. 607

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow: praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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

*Hymn

Lord of All Good

No. 711

*Charge and Benediction

Response

May the Love of the Lord

Swee Hong Lim

May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul. May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day. May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.

Postlude

Plenty Good Room

Joseph Joubert

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Ben Cahill, bass
Dave Shearer, acoustic guitar
Eric Ruppel, drums
Jay Smith, piano

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