

UNION CHURCH OF POCANTICO HILLS

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Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Monday– Friday

The Mission of Union Church:

.... To provide a home where all are welcome
to worship God,
to learn and grow as Christians, and
to share our love, friendship and support
with all those whose lives we touch.

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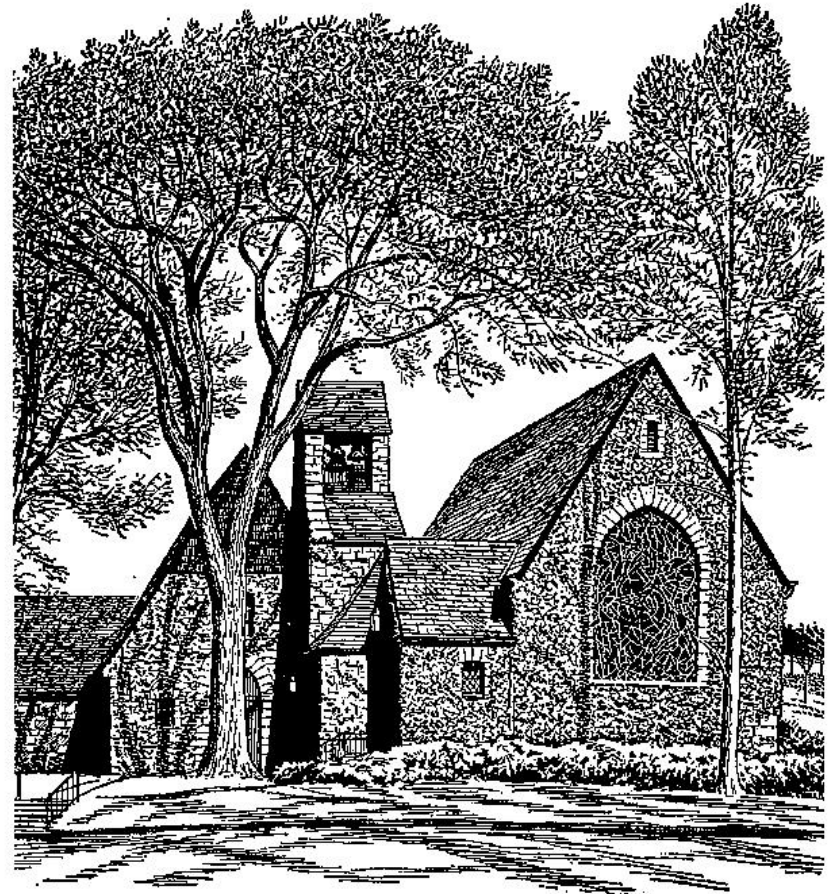
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20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 10, 2021

10:00 a.m.



Union Church of Pocantico Hills

The Rev. Dr. Lindley G. DeGarmo—*Interim Pastor*
Richard Coffey—*Organist and Music Director*
Sharon Dorzbacher—*Deacon*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The service of worship begins with the prelude; quiet is requested as you enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship. Ordinarily applause is held until the conclusion of the postlude.

*Words spoken or sung by the congregation are noted in **bold** type.*

Please note that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that masks be worn indoors by all person, regardless of vaccination status, particularly when singing.

** Please stand as you are able.*

GATHERING

Gathering Music: Improvisation on Service Music Themes

The Striking of the Hour

Prelude for Organ Marin Marais (1656-1725)
Lento espressivo

Introit Words from The Psalter 1912
"Give Praise to the Lord"
Music (1915): C. Hubert H. Parry

The setting may be found in the Hymnal, 257, stanza one.

Call to Worship

O Lord, satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands.

* Hymn 470 *Es Flog ein klein Waldvöglein*
"O Day of Radiant Gladness"

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

**O Lord, you are the maker of justice
and the source of righteousness,
the one who hears the cries of the suffering
and who fills the hunger of the poor.**

* Charge and Blessing

Postlude for Organ Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)
Toccata in E Minor



The walking stick in the chancel was presented to Dr. DeGarmo by his previous congregation. It serves as a reminder that he is accompanying Union Church on its journey through this transition period between permanent pastors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP HOUR—All are invited for coffee, tea and conversation in the parish hall following the service. Fellowship time is hosted today by Sharon and Carter Dorzbacher.

HOSTS ARE NEEDED for fellowship hours in the weeks ahead. Please sign up in the parish hall if you can help.

PRAYER REQUESTS—Josefina Abreu, Rosalyn DeHoff, Mary T. Johnson, Aileen Lin, Barbara Smith and Emma Thaler.

FLOWER DONATIONS to beautify the sanctuary for Sunday worship are welcome. Please sign up in the parish hall.

HEARING ASSISTANCE—The sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.

LIVE-STREAMING—The Sunday worship service is broadcast live on both YouTube and Facebook for those who are unable to attend in person.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY meets at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom [<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83379997803>]. Review and discuss the Scripture readings for next Sunday with Dr. DeGarmo.

CHOIR—Membership in the Union Church Choir is open to all members and friends who enjoy singing. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. For more information, please speak with Richard Coffey.

Offertory Anthem Words: Jonathan Smith collection (1784)
“Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree”

Setting (1983): K. Lee Scott
Jonathan Mildner, baritone, and the Choir

The text is a sacred ballad in which the tree is viewed as a metaphor for creation, passiontide, and redemption, Christ personified throughout.

*The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit and always green:
The trees of nature fruitless be
Compared with Christ, the apple tree.*

*His beautify doth all things excel:
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see
In Jesus Christ, the apple tree.*

*For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure dearly I have bought:
I missed of all, but now I see
'Tis found in Christ, the apple tree.*

*I'm weary with my former toil,
Here I will sit and rest awhile:
Under the shadow I will be
Of Jesus Christ, the apple tree.*

*This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ, the apple tree.*

* Doxology—Hymnal No. 592 Old Hundredth

**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

SENDING

* Hymn 332 *Truro*
“Live into Hope”

**Forgive us, O God, when we fail
to reflect your just love:
when we have food and food leftover,
yet we do not share with any in need;
when we have power for good and power for change,
yet we use it only for our own self-preservation;
when we have the words of the prophets before us,
yet we cover our ears lest they make us uncomfortable.
Forgive us, O Lord,
and teach us to follow in your way.**

* Prayers of Silent and Individual Confession

* Words of Assurance

Listen, so that you may live:
the steadfast love of the Lord never fails.
I declare you in the name of Jesus Christ,
we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

* Congregational Response—Hymnal No. 417 (stanza four)
“Laud and Honor to the Father ” *Regent Square*

**Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
Ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory
While unending ages run.**

Welcome and Community Celebrations and Concerns

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Psalm 145:8-14

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.
All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,

to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious
splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures
throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.
The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed
down.

Solo Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)
"King of Glory, King of Peace"
 Setting (1986): K. Lee Scott

Christina Grohowski, soprano

*King of Glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
And that love may never cease,
I will move* thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou did'st note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.*

*Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee,
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou did'st clear** me,
And alone, when they replied,
Thou did'st hear me.*

*Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n,
I will praise thee;
In my heart, though not in heav'n,
I can raise thee.
Small it is***, in this poor sort
To enroll**** thee;
Ev'n eternity's too short
To extol thee.*

* "approach"
** "forgive"
*** "foolish"
**** "contain"

Second Lesson Genesis 2:1-3

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their
multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had
done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had
done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it
God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Sermon "Holy Rest"

Dr. DeGarmo

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39

**We believe there is no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus;
for we know that all things work together for good
for those who love God,
who are called according to God's purpose.
We are convinced that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

* Hymn 527

"Near to the Heart of God"

McAfee

Prayers of Intercession

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 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.**

Invitation to the Offering

*Access online giving by texting "UCPH" to 77977 on your smartphone and
following the link that will appear.*