

CANTON

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Established 1904



"The Great Commission" by Nalini Jayasuriya

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE 14th DAY OF JUNE

THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX

GATHERING

PRELUDE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Friends, serve the Lord with gladness!

Let us come into God's presence with a song.

✠ HYMN 744: *Arise, Your Light Is Come*.....JUNKANOO

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess the ways we ignore your voice and hurt each other and ourselves. We divide ourselves into us vs. them. We deny seeing goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that we have done and that has been done in our name. We pray that you will forgive us and transform our lives, so that we may live joyfully as Christ's body. Amen.

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

✠ THE GLORIA: *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*.....GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen. (x3)

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THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING.....Psalm 116

I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me;

the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the LORD: “O LORD, I pray, save my life!”

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

The LORD protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

For you have delivered my soul from death,

my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

I walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

I kept my faith, even when I said, “I am greatly afflicted”;

I said in my consternation, “Everyone is a liar.”

What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.

You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Praise the LORD!

GOSPEL READING.....Matthew 9:35-10:7

The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *Claiming Our Authority*.....The Reverend Esta Jarrett

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✚ HYMN 722: *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*.....CANONBURY

✚ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....from the Brief Statement of Faith of the PC(U.S.A.)

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

**the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.**

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR POSSESSIONS

Offerings may be made via our website or the Vanco app.

✠ DOXOLOGY, HYMN 606: *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow...* OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH 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 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.

SENDING

✠ HYMN 719: *Come, Labor On*.....ORA LABORA

✠ CHARGE AND BLESSING

✠ HYMN 600: *Amen*.....AMEN

POSTLUDE

✝ Please stand as you are able

Welcome to Canton Presbyterian Church.

Just as you are, you are part of the body of Christ with us, and we are glad you are here.

Our staff are Rev. Esta Jarrett (Pastor) and Jeffrey Gonce (Music Director).

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