

Conway Village Congregational Church

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Prelude: "America The Beautiful" Hillsdale College/Catherline Lee Bates

Announcements, Prayer

Opening Hymn: "Jesus, Name Above All Names" Marantha/Naida Hearn

Scripture: Psalm 68:1-10

"May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; May his foes flee before him.
As smoke is blown away by the wind, may you blow them away; as wax melts before the fire, may the wicked perish before God. But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praise to his name, extol him who rides on the clouds - - his name is the Lord - - and rejoice before him. A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God set the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.

When you went out before your people, O God, when you marched through the wasteland, the earth shook, the heavens poured down rain, before God, the One of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel. You gave abundant showers, O God, you refreshed the weary inheritance. Your people settled in it, and from your bounty, O God, you provided for the poor."

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

We do not know the time or season of God's invitation for us.

We await God's promise as we gather for worship.

Let us cast our anxieties on God, for God cares for us.

We long for the support and comfort and assurance of eternal life.

God will establish and strengthen us as we face innocent suffering.

Christ intercedes for us so we know God's love and care.

Let us be Christ's purposes for this hour of worship.

Let us be one with Christ as we offer his prayer ...

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Music: "Memorial Day Tribute"

Prayer of Dedication

***"Our gifts are visible recognition that all we have is a blessing of God.
May the outward expression of these gifts, express our inner conviction,
that we owe everything to our loving God. May those who benefit
from these gifts see God's grace and our appreciation. Amen."***

Scripture: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

“Dear Friends, do not be surprised at the painful trials you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steady. To him be power for ever and ever. Amen.”

Hymn: “Eye of the Storm”

Ryan Stevenson

Scripture: John 17:1-11

“After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

Sermon: “May God’s Spirit Rest on You”

Closing Hymn: “Let There Be Peace On Earth”

Vince & Jenny Gill

Benediction

***“Let the majesty of the Father be the light by which you walk,
the compassion of the Son be the love by which you walk,
the presence of the Spirit be the power by which you walk. Amen.”***

Postlude: “Some Gave All, A Memorial Day Tribute”

Billy Ray Cyrus