

POMPTON REFORMED CHURCH

Our Vision: A world where all experience and share the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

February 10, 2019

(*Please stand if you are able)

11:00 am

... **THE APPROACH TO GOD...**

Prelude

Greeting/Prayer

Gathering Song (Insert)

“Holy Ground”

Call to Worship

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

***Opening Hymn #436 (Blue)**

“Jesu, Jesu” v. 2, 3 & 5

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of wisdom, you have encouraged us to live our lives grounded in faith, patience, and love. Instead we are drawn to myths that pose as truth, old wives’ tales that masquerade as facts and we profess beliefs that undermine the good news of God. Forgive us, Lord. Remove the layers of misinformation and misguided beliefs. May we move beyond to the heart of your message. Help us to love others without judgment, but with a solid foundation of acceptance, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Choral Response #410 (Blue)

“He Touched Me”

God’s Good News

Isaiah 44:21-22

Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant; I formed you, you are my servant, O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me. I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud, and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

God’s Law for Grateful Living

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Ministry of Music †

“If You Love Me”

J. Raney

...Because I live, you too shall live. I bring you peace that the world cannot give...”

Church Life

Sunday School Students Dismissed

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Hymn #447 (Blue)

“Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God”

***Doxology #230 (Green)**

**“We Are An Offering”

***Offering Prayer**

THE WORD OF GOD...

“Rescuing Others...from Us”

Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29

...OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD...

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn #540 Blue

“Take Time to Be Holy”

*Benediction

Postlude

Following worship please join us in Fellowship Hall for Everything Chocolate Pot Luck

Today’s Scripture

Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29

“Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ² For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³ Why do you see the speck in your neighbor’s eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴ Or how can you say to your neighbor, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ while the log is in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor’s eye. ⁶ “Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you. ⁷ “Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ⁹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? ¹⁰ Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? ¹¹ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him! ¹² “In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. ¹³ “Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. ¹⁴ For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it. ²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!” ²⁸ Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, ²⁹ for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

† This morning’s anthem is a new one and has been sponsored by Jeff & Carole Romaine in loving memory of their parents.

** Denotes a hymn request from the congregation.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Worship Leader: Rev. Nathan Busker
Liturgist: Rick Pierce
Music Director: Patricia Kitchell
Organist: Scott Burzynski
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Ushers: Jeff Anders, Emil Scarmazzo, Dan Douma,
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