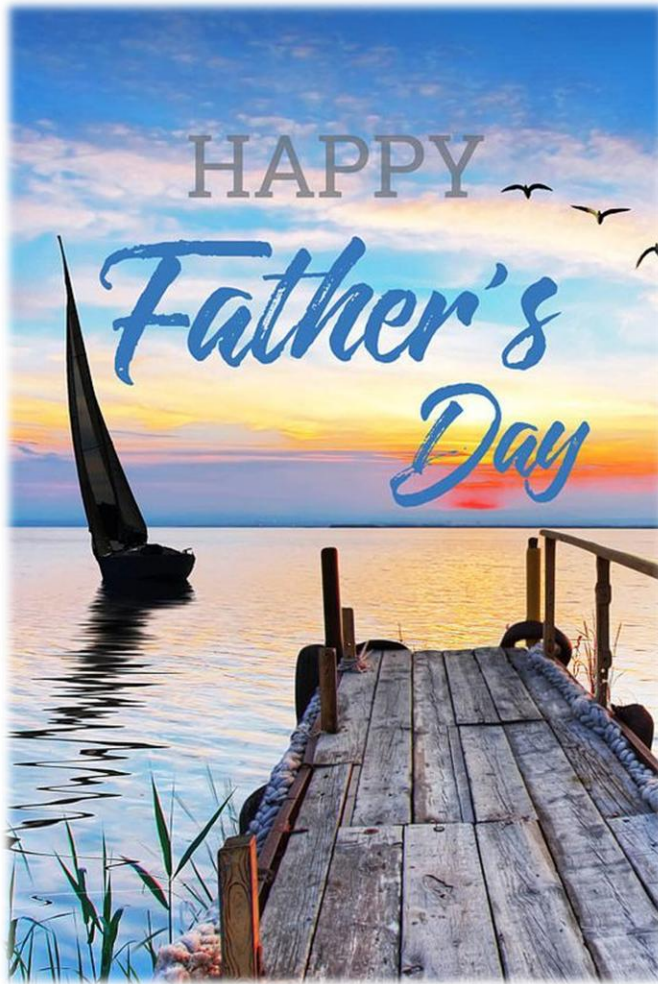


# ***Bath Presbyterian Church***

***Father's Day***  
***June 19, 2022***

In Church, In Parking Lot (Radio 105.3 FM) or on Facebook  
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## Time for Quiet Reflection & Prayer

## Lighting of the Candles

## Ringling of the Bell

## Music for Praise & Meditation

## Welcome!

## Announcements

- ☐ In the life of our Church
- ☐ Minute for Mission
- ☐ Sharing of Joys & Concern
- ☐ **Covenant Church for Prayers:** Middletown First Presbyterian Church, Pastor Michael Isaacs and Christian Educator Lisa Kaufer.

## Call to Worship: (Psalm 42)

One: As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you, my God. My soul aches for a God that lives!

**All: Where can we go to see God face to face? Our only food day or night is our tears when we are far from our God.**

One: These things we remember as we pour out our souls in God's house with cries of gladness and thanksgiving.

**All: Even when we are dispirited, we know we will praise God once again. The Deep is echoing in the sound of your waterfall of love pouring down on us. During the night we are comforted by a song to you. Let our prayers call you our rock. You are our deliverance, you are our God. Let us worship God!**

**\*Call to Worship in Music:** "How Can I Keep from Singing" (refrain only pg 821)

No Storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

**\*Call to Confession:** The gospel assures us that those who love God will be protected, and those who call out in times of trouble will be answered. With faith and hope, let us confess our sin.

**\*Prayer of Confession:** O God, sometimes the journey is too much; we can't go on, and we complain that we are all

alone. Nobody cares, not even you. Our strength is gone, and we are ready to give up.

In those times, when we are consumed with self-pity and convinced there is no hope, send your Spirit into our hearts to remind us of your sustaining grace. Strengthen us at your Table and by the daily claiming of our baptism, so we may go confidently on our journeys, carrying out the mission you have given us. Through Christ we pray. Amen

## \*Assurance of Pardon:

Hear the good news of God's love for us; not in the earthquake, not in the storms, not in the mighty deeds but in the silence, in the gentle touch, in the quiet rain God says, again, "You are my Beloved. I love you. Thanks be to God.

## \*Hymn – #24 "God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"

**\*The Passing of the Peace** - Stay standing and display loving signs of Christ's peace to your church family - smile, wave, flash the peace sign, etc.

## Children's Message

### 1st Scripture Reading- 1 Kings 19: 1-15

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your

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covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus.

### **Music for Meditation**

#### 2nd Scripture Reading – Luke 8: 26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"--for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus,

clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks Be To God

### **Sermon: "How Jesus drives" – Pastor Emily Haddox**

#### **\*Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed (The United Church)**

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

#### **Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People – 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.

**Sung Prayer response:** "When We Are Tested" (tune - Be Thou my Vision #450)

"When we are tempted to barter our souls, trading the truth for the power to control, teach us to worship and praise only you, seeking your will in the work that we do."

#### **Offering**

**\*Doxology** - "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn - #181 "Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit"**

**\*Benediction- (In unison)**

**\*Postlude: #542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"**

*"God be with you till we meet a-gain, By His counsel guide  
uphold you With his sheep securely fold you; God be with  
you till we meet again. Amen.*

## **Announcements & More**

### **Every Sunday:**

- ✓ Breakfast – 9 am
- ✓ Sunday School: 9:30 - 10:30: In person and via Zoom

### **Ongoing:**

- 📦 Food for FISH: Non-perishable foods, cleaning supplies, personal care items; bar, hand & body soap.

### **Anniversary:**

😊 June 23 – Janet & JO Miller

### **Mission:**

### **On the Horizon:**

- ❖ July 24<sup>th</sup> - Jesus on the street
- ❖ July 3 - Coffee and Donuts
- ❖ July 4<sup>th</sup>- Women's Gathering
- ❖ July 10<sup>th</sup> – Session meeting after church

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