

November 25, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Faith consists in believing when it is beyond the power of reason to believe. ~Voltaire (François-Marie Arouet: French writer, historian and philosopher)

Prelude

*Processional Hymn *We Gather Together* No. 561

Welcome & Announcements

~Silently send Christ's Joy, Peace and Love to others in God's world~

Call to Worship

One: Do we believe? Are we certain our faith can move mountains?

All: *Faith to move mountains? What if we cannot live up to that strong a faith?*

One: Faith doesn't have to be that hard. Life doesn't have to be that difficult.

All: *Life can be difficult! Resilient, enduring, lifelong faith can be hard!*

One: Sometimes, we just have to live what we believe. Sometimes, we just have to live God's love.

All: *And so we are here, simply, to sing, to celebrate, to worship God!*

Unison Prayer of Invocation (inspired by Psalm 126)

Creator God, this is the day that You have made! This is the day You have called Holy: Sabbath day, a rest day, a time-out, out of the world and into the presence of God: a day for rejoicing. Remove from us our distractions, our heart-worries, our to-dos and should-haves and any constant stress & strain. And in its place, O God, give us more of You. Here in your House, our hearts are filled with serenity, safety and sense the common love and compassion of all present. May our mouths be filled with laughter and our voice scream shouts of joy. In humble gratitude, thank You Lord Jesus.

Gloria Patri No. 623

Anthem *Everlasting God* by Ken Bible

(Youth may leave for Sunday school following the anthem)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

~Silent Meditation~



Pastoral Prayer & 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering & Offertory

Friendship Forms

During our Sunday morning offering, please pass the friendship pad in your pew for each person to sign. If you would like to be contacted by the pastor, please leave a note with an e-mail or phone number.

*Doxology No. 625

*Hymn *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* No. 562

The Scripture Text



Proverbs 3:1-6 & Luke 7: 1-10

Sermon *Faith "Defending The Space"*

*Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* No. 560

*Benediction

Postlude

The Worship is ended...Our Service Now Begins

Any person who, with all the sincerity of heart, is in search for God, on land or in the sea, is worthy of respect."

~Riaz Ahmed Gohar Shahi, *The Religion of God*

*Please stand as you are able.

Flowers for Sunday Worship

You may honor or remember a loved one or a special event by participating in our Memorial Flower Fund with a suggested donation of \$30. Use an order form in the parlor to select a date and indicate the name or occasion to be remembered.

Joys & Concerns

If you have a need or a celebration you would like to share, please speak with our pastor or forward the information to the church office.

Bulletin Announcements

Please submit announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the church office by 10:00 a.m. on the preceding Wednesday.

Coffee Hour

If you would like to volunteer to serve coffee and/or bring food for our Sunday coffee hour, please sign up on the sheet in the gathering space kitchen.

Church Office

Our church office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. You also may reach Tanya Crowley, administrative assistant, at tanya@cbcjamestown.com. Kurt Satherlie, pastor, is in the office on Mondays through Thursdays. You also may reach him at rev.kurt@cbcjamestown.com or (860)-944-5158.

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**An American Baptist Church
A Community Congregation**

Jamestown, Rhode Island

**Rev. Kurt Satherlie, Pastor
Walter Sage, Organist & Choir Director**



CBC Christmas Fair

Saturday, December 1
9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Here are ways to lend a hand as we prepare for our annual Christmas Fair.

Silent Auction

Donate a service (i.e., babysitting, tutoring, cooking) for the fair's silent auction. Gift cards/certificates and items such as jewelry, pieces of art, and collectibles also are welcome contributions for the auction.

Baked Goodies

Sign up to bake goods for our bake table. A sign-up sheet will be available in the church parlor.

Christmas Items

Donate holiday items—ornaments, candles, decorations, etc.—for the fair's Christmas table.

Fair Volunteers

Plan to work during the fair. We will need as many volunteers as possible—especially volunteers who are able to arrive in time to set up, work throughout the fair, and help with cleanup. We also will need volunteers to help during the week prior to the fair. Sign-up sheets will be available in the church parlor.

Spread the Word.

Invite your friends, family, neighbors, colleagues, and classmates to join us for the Christmas Fair. Post flyers in area shops, restaurants, offices, and public spaces.



WELCOME TO CBC

Welcome to Central Baptist Church. Please join us following the service for coffee hour in Clarke Hall. If you have questions about our church, please speak with our pastor.

Large-print bulletins and hearing-assistance devices are available for today's service.

If you need nursery care for an infant or preschooler, during worship, please speak with the deacon at the sanctuary door.

Sunday School is available for Elementary-age children. Classes will meet the 2nd through last Sunday of each month with family worship encouraged the 1st Sunday of each month.

Teaching Sunday School today is Todd & Kathy Merrill.

Today's liturgist is Kathleen Williams.

TODAY AT CBC

Sunday Collection

Today is the last Sunday we will be collecting start-up funding for the CBC Food Pantry.

Poinsettia Orders

With the holiday season quickly approaching, and to help make the Sanctuary look festive, we will have the poinsettia order forms available in the church parlor today. The deadline line for the forms is Sunday, December 16.

Christmas Wreath Decorating

Today will be decorating wreaths in Fellowship Hall (basement) at 11:00 a.m... Supplies will be on hand, but if you have shears to cut greens, please bring them. If you have any questions, please contact Jill or Dave Dolce.

Fair Volunteers

We will need as many volunteers as possible to help with setting up tables and volunteers to help during the week prior to the fair.

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Jamestown Police Department Discussion

Please join Chief Mello of the Jamestown Police Department immediately following service as we discuss our personal safety in public gathering places. Discussion may not be appropriate for all ages.

Here is the proposed schedule:

11/25 Central Baptist Following 9:30 WORSHIP (10:25)

11/25 St Matthews Following 10:00 AM MASS (11:00)

THIS WEEK AT CBC

Simple Blessings

"*Simple Blessings: Centering Prayer and Discussion*:" will be held this Monday from 1- 2:30 pm. in Clarke Hall. If interested there is a flyer and Sign-up sheet in church parlor.

Courier Deadline

The deadline for the December issue of our church newsletter is tomorrow by 9 a.m. Please leave materials in the *Courier* mailbox or send them to tanya@cbcjamestown.com.

Walking Party

Please join us in Clarke Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. We do a warm-up, walk a couple miles and light workout. For questions, please contact Peggy Burse.

Ladies' Breakfast

Ladies Breakfast will be held this Thursday at 9 a.m. at Slice of Heaven. All CBC ladies welcome!

NEXT SUNDAY AT CBC

Communion Sunday Collection

For our communion collection, during the month of December we will be collecting women's hygiene items, diapers and wipes. We will be donating all the items to Lucy's Hearth in Middletown

CBC OPPORTUNITIES

Adopt a Family

CBC will be doing the Adopt- a Family program again this year!! More specific information on the families we get will be available on or around Sunday, November 25th. Look out for a sign-up sheet available for these families in Clarke Hall in the near future.

CBC CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, November 25

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:00 a.m. Christmas Wreath Decorating

Monday, November 26

9:00 a.m. Courier Deadline
1:00 p.m. Simple Blessings

Tuesday, November 27

8:00 a.m. Walking Party

Thursday, November 29

8:00 a.m. Walking Party
9:00 a.m. Ladies' Breakfast at Slice of Heaven

Saturday, December 1

9:00 a.m. Christmas Fair

Sunday, December 2—First Sunday in Advent

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday, December 3

1:00 p.m. Little Dresses for Africa

Tuesday, December 4

8:00 a.m. Walking Party

Thursday, December 6

8:00 a.m. Walking Party

Sunday, December 9—Second Sunday in Advent

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
