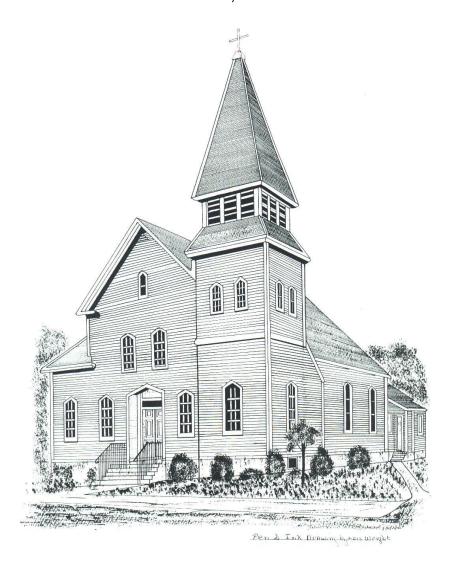
BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH

474 Chapel Street Harrisville, R.I.



The Rev. Darin Collins, Pastor Emma Latendresse, Music Director Song Leader: Ashley Palmer

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Sunday, November 22, 2020

10:00 AM

We, the fellowship of Berean Baptist Church, worship one God who is revealed and accessible to each and every one of us regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, age, social standing, or all other abilities. All have been given the gift of accepting full participation in the Kingdom of God. God's grace, love, and mercy are given freely and unconditionally and extends to all people. Therefore, we accept, welcome and affirm all as brothers and sisters united in striving to live holy and acceptable lives in the service of God's Kingdom. May our hearts as well as our church doors remain forever open and welcoming to all of God's creation.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEACE/ PRELUDE: "Autumn Lament" ~ Rick Roberston

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us bow before the holy One.

People: Come, let us confess God's might.

Leader: Come, let us feel God's mercy.

People: Come, let us live in God's light.

Leader: As God's people, we lift our voices in praise.

People: Glory to you, gracious and loving God!

CONFESSION

ENTER GOD'S COURT WITH PRAISE:

"Like A River Glorious"

INVOCATION, LORD'S PRAYER

We pray in Jesus' name along with the prayer he taught us saying...

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.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen

SCRIPTURE: Luke 3:1-14

3 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar—when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene— ² during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the desert. ³ He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet:

"A voice of one calling in the desert,

'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.

⁵ Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low.

The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth.

⁶ And all mankind will see God's salvation."

⁷ John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? ⁸ Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. ⁹ The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

¹⁰ "What should we do then?" the crowd asked.

- ¹¹ John answered, "the man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same."
- ¹² Tax collectors also came to be baptized. "Teacher," they asked, "what should we do?"
- ¹³ "Don't collect any more than you are required to," he told them.
- ¹⁴ Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?" He replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely—be content with your pay."

MESSAGE: In the Wilderness; Faith Embodied

RESPONSE: "Wild & Lone the Prophets Voice"

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Offertory: "All is Well with My Soul"

~Philip Bliss arranged by J. Eklund

*Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures high and low;

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

"Hush Now"

Hush now in quiet peace, be still your mind at ease. The spirit brings release so wait upon the Lord

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*CLOSING HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Threefold Amen" (628)

POSTLUDE: "Living Hope"

~Jennifer Eklund

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