



*“To him who sits
on the throne
and to the Lamb
be praise and honor
and glory and power,
for ever and ever!”*

Revelation 5:13

The Quechee Church exists to honor God
by fostering a movement of Christ’s Kingdom
through the proclamation and practice of the gospel
that serves and transforms the Upper Valley
and, through the Upper Valley, the world.

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 AM
THE QUECHEE CHURCH
QUECHEE, VERMONT

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TIME OF REFLECTION

“I have been reading poems, romances, vision literature, legends, myths all my life. I know what they are like. I know that none of them is like this.... The reader who doesn’t see this has simply not learned how to read.”

~C.S. Lewis (1898-1963), Oxford scholar and professor, on the Gospel of John

“Penance is a religious attitude deeply rooted in the human heart which prompts people to attempt to pay for their own sins by good works and sufferings. Self-justification is the goal of this effort.”

~Jack Miller (1928-1996), pastor and seminary professor

“A perfect faith is nowhere to be found, so it follows that all of us are partly unbelievers.”

~John Calvin (1509-1564), French-Swiss reformer and theologian

“I learned the first rule of repentance: that repentance requires greater intimacy with God than with our sin.... Repentance requires that we draw near to Jesus, no matter what. And sometimes we all have to crawl there on our hands and knees. Repentance is an intimate affair. And...intimacy with anything is a terrifying prospect.”

“I think that churches would be places of greater intimacy and growth in Christ if people stopped lying about what we need, what we fear, where we fail, and how we sin.”

~Rosaria Champagne Butterfield, former professor of English at Syracuse

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

MUSIC

Worship through Praise and Adoration

CALL TO WORSHIP – *Psalm 36:5-9 (ESV)*

LEADER: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

PEOPLE: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

LEADER: How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

PEOPLE: They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

LEADER: For with you is the fountain of life;

PEOPLE: In your light do we see light.

HOW GREAT THOU ART

(Carl Boberg, 1885; trans. by Stuart K. Hine)

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed,

REFRAIN:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (REFRAIN)

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin; (REFRAIN)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God how great Thou art! (REFRAIN)

PUBLIC DOMAIN

RESPONSIVE READING – 1 John 1:5-2:2 (ESV)

LEADER: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

PEOPLE: If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

LEADER: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

PEOPLE: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

LEADER: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PEOPLE: If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

LEADER: But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

PEOPLE: He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

ALAS AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED

(Isaac Watts, Greg Thompson)

Alas! and did my Savior bleed,
And did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head
For such a foe as I?

REFRAIN:

The strangeness of love, my life in Your death
In Your brokenness my wholeness revealed
Your bonds are my freedom, Your sorrow my song
And by Your wounds I am healed

Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown!
And love beyond degree! (REFRAIN)

But drops of grief can ne'er repay
the debt of love I owe:
Here, Lord, I give myself away
'tis all that I can do.(REFRAIN)

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HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

(Stuart Townend)

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss.
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything:
No gifts, no power, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ:
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart:
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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SHARING & PRAYER

BRIEF BREAK – *If you are partaking of communion today, please pick up the communion elements.*

DOXOLOGY

Pilgrim Hymnal #514

(Thomas Ken & Genevan Psalter, 1551; attr. Louis Bourgeois)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.

PUBLIC DOMAIN

Worship through the Word

SERMON – “The Call of Jesus” – *Pastor Ryan Bouton*

SERMON PASSAGE – *Luke 5:4-11, John 21:1-14 (ESV)*

Luke 5

⁴And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” ⁶And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” ⁹For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” ¹¹And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

John 11

¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him,

“We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, “Children, do you have any fish?” They answered him, “No.” ⁶He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Worship through the Sacrament

CONFESSION OF FAITH: adapted from Matthew 16 and Galatians 2:20

LEADER: Christian, who do you say Jesus is?

CONGREGATION: I say He is the Christ, the Messiah, the Anointed King of Heaven and Earth... the Son of the living God.

LEADER: And what is true of you now that you are in Christ?

CONGREGATION: I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life, which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered Himself up for me.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

MAY I RECEIVE COMMUNION TODAY?

At The Quechee Church, we welcome all believers in Christ to receive Holy Communion with us provided that they are 1) forsaking their sin and self-righteousness, and 2) trusting in Jesus alone for salvation. If you are not able to receive Communion today, please use this time to meditate on who Jesus is and what he has done for us, even using this as an opportunity to put your trust in him. If you feel that God is calling you to faith in his Son, perhaps the prayer below will be helpful to you as you seek him:

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Please guide me and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you, as I consider the reasons for doing so. Amen.

If you would like to talk to someone about becoming a Christian, please let the pastor, one of the elders, or the friend who brought you know. You may also inquire by completing the contact form on the back of the bulletin and placing it in the offering box.

HIS MERCY IS MORE

(Matt Papa, Matt Boswell)

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore.
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

CHORUS:

Praise the Lord,
His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

What riches of kindness he lavished on us.
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

(CHORUS)

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BENEDICTION

WORSHIPPING GOD THROUGH GIVING: *The offering box is located at the back of the sanctuary. Gifts may also be made online through the church website.*

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Childcare: Children ages 3 and up are invited to go downstairs at the break before the sermon for a Junior Church, a program of teaching and activities in our basement area. In addition, we will continue to set aside the 1st floor nursery space for parents with infants, where the service can also be streamed.

Community Groups: Each group is designed to be a mini-Christian community, providing an opportunity for prayer, fellowship, Bible study and service. If you would like to join a CG, please contact Pastor Ryan (ryan.bouton@quecheechurch.org).

Quechee Women's Bible Study: Mondays at 6:00 pm on Zoom. Studying Genesis. Contact Jenny (jennifer.l.bouton@gmail.com)

Ocean City Youth Retreat: Saturday, June 24th to Thursday, June 29th. Registration is now open for students 7th through 12th grade. Register by May 29th for the regular registration price of \$300. Questions? Contact Robert (robert.moore@christredeemerchurch.org).

Youth Group: Meets most Mondays. Questions? Contact Robert (robert.moore@christredeemerchurch.org). Upcoming Dates: 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22, 6/5, 6/12.

Sunday Service Schedule

SUNDAY APRIL 23rd

Music and Greeters 8:30 am

Cleaning: P. Adams

Music: R. Bouton

Greeter: P. Adams, C. Pasho

Jr. Church: P. Adams, E. Bouton

SUNDAY APRIL 30th

Music and Greeters 8:30 am

Cleaning: R. & J. Bouton

Music: C. Adams, A. Fannin

Greeter: J. Bouton, A. Bouton

Jr. Church: J. Bouton, A. Bouton

The Quechee Church Financial Updates

2022 OPERATIONAL BUDGET: YTD

Budgeted Giving: \$28,500 Actual Giving: \$22,685 Difference: (-\$5,815) *Updates as of 3/31/23*

CONTACT FORM

Please use this section to inform us of your contact information or fill it out online at quecheechurch.org/home/contact-us/

PLEASE PRINT and deposit in an offering box (check all boxes that apply)

- I would like to be added to the email list for updates and events at the Quechee Church
- I am interested in opportunities for involvement
- I am updating my information
- I would like to talk to someone about becoming a Christian

Name (PLEASE PRINT) Mr./ Mrs./ Ms./ Miss

Spouse/Children

Address: mailing or street

City/State

Country/Zip

Quechee PO Box (if applicable)

Home/Cell Phone

Work Phone

Email Address

Community Group Sign up:

Community Groups meet throughout the Upper Valley and include worship, Bible study, fellowship, prayer and mission. Fill out the form above, and drop it in the offering box. We will contact you about group availability.

Days of the week that work best with your schedule

Prayer Request, Comment or Question:

AN AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

Adopted by Converge Worldwide (Baptist General Conference) in 1951

1. The Word of God: We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, fully inspired and without error in the original manuscripts, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and that it has supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.

2. The Trinity: We believe that there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons, that these are equal in every divine perfection, and that they execute distinct but harmonious offices in the work of creation, providence and redemption.

3. God the Father: We believe in God, the Father, an infinite, personal spirit, perfect in holiness, wisdom, power and love. We believe that He concerns Himself mercifully in the affairs of each person, that He hears and answers prayer, and that He saves from sin and death all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.

4. Jesus Christ: We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe in His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles and teachings. We believe in His substitutionary atoning death, bodily resurrection, ascension into heaven, perpetual intercession for His people, and personal visible return to earth.

5. The Holy Spirit: We believe in the Holy Spirit who came forth from the Father and Son to convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, and to regenerate, sanctify, and empower all who believe in Jesus Christ. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ, and that He is an abiding helper, teacher and guide.

6. Regeneration: We believe that all people are sinners by nature and by choice and are, therefore, under condemnation. We believe that those who repent of their sins and trust in Jesus Christ as Savior are regenerated by the Holy Spirit.

7. The Church: We believe in the universal church, a living spiritual body of which Christ is the head and all regenerated persons are members. We believe in the local church, consisting of a company of believers in Jesus Christ, baptized on a credible confession of faith, and associated for worship, work and fellowship. We believe that God has laid upon the members of the local church the primary task of giving the gospel of Jesus Christ to a lost world.

8. Christian Conduct: We believe that Christians should live for the glory of God and the well-being of others; that their conduct should be blameless before the world; that they should be faithful stewards of their possessions; and that they should seek to realize for themselves and others the full stature of maturity in Christ.

9. The Ordinances: We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ has committed two ordinances to the local church: baptism and the Lord's Supper. We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water into the name of the triune God. We believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted by Christ for commemoration of His death. We believe that these two ordinances should be observed and administered until the return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

10. Religious Liberty: We believe that every human being has direct relations with God, and is responsible to God alone in all matters of faith; that each church is independent and must be free from interference by any ecclesiastical or political authority; that therefore Church and State must be kept separate as having different functions, each fulfilling its duties free from dictation or patronage of the other.

11. Church Cooperation: We believe that local churches can best promote the cause of Jesus Christ by cooperating with one another in a denominational organization. Such an organization, whether a regional or district conference, exists and functions by the will of the churches. Cooperation in a conference is voluntary and may be terminated at any time. Churches may likewise cooperate with interdenominational fellowships on a voluntary basis.

12. The Last Things: We believe in the personal and visible return of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth and the establishment of His kingdom. We believe in the resurrection of the body, the final judgment, the eternal felicity of the righteous, and the endless suffering of the wicked.