

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold
Bulletin**

**Sunday, November 12, 2023
24th Sunday after Pentecost**

Announcements:		Dan Tagatac
Prelude:	“Even You Are Welcome”	Mitch Samu
Welcome:		Dan Tagatac
*Call to Worship:		Dan Tagatac
Leader:	God has revealed the good news of Jesus Christ to all people.	
People:	We have heard the news of the boundless riches of Christ.	
Leader:	God has revealed a hidden mystery: We all have a place in God’s plan.	
People:	We will offer God our lives with boldness and confidence through faith in Jesus Christ.	
*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)		
	Loving God, we ask that we would be able to see the great gift you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ. Help us to know and recognize that all of creation comes from you. Today as we gather in worship, we give you thanks for your abundant love. In times when we feel hopeless or fearful, may our faith be renewed to trust you more. We ask knowing that all things are possible for those who love you. We humbly declare with our hearts, minds, and souls that we love you. Amen.	
* Opening Hymn:	“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”	UMH #384
* Praise Song:	“In Christ Alone”	Getty & Townend
Introduction to Prayer:		Rev. Yoseb Jeon
	<i>[For those joining us online, please submit your prayer requests in the comments on the virtual attendance sheet, or email the church office. Your prayer requests will be lifted up in next Sunday’s service.]</i>	
Prayer Hymn:	“Make Me a Servant”	TFWS #2176
Pastoral Prayer:		Rev. Yoseb Jeon
The Lord’s Prayer:		UMH #895
Stewardship Moment:		Ed Bowen
Scripture Reading:	Ephesians 3:5-12	Gilbert Heulton
Friendship Moment and Passing of the Peace		
	<i>[For those joining us online, please take a moment to sign the online attendance form: www.freeholdmethodist.org]</i>	
Message:	“The Flow of Grace”	Rev. Yoseb Jeon
Offering Time: Giving Page:	www.freeholdmethodist.org/give	

Offertory: "3 Notes" Mitch Samu

*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

*Offering Prayer: (In Unison)

Thank you, God, for allowing us to participate in what you are doing in the world. The gifts that you have entrusted to us are a blessing and we give you thanks for every one of them. It is our privilege and joy to offer back to you a portion and ask that you use these offerings to bless others – for the sake of your kingdom's work here on earth. We pray this in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: "Your Grace Is Enough" Matt Maher

*Benediction: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude: "Your Grace Is Enough" (Reprise) Matt Maher

Scripture Passage: Sunday, November 12, 2023

Liturgist: Gilbert Heaton

Ephesians 3:5-12

⁵ In former generations this mystery^[a] was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ ⁹ and to make everyone see^[b] what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in^[c] God, who created all things; ¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.^[d] ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.^[e]

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

**Introit:
Even You Are Welcome
Mitch Samu**

Even you are welcome
Even I am welcome
Even they are welcome
To touch the face of God
Everybody's welcome
Even we are welcome
All of us together
Can hold the hand of God
(2x)

If you're not here
There's something that is missing
Without you here we all are incomplete
Because if you are not invited
Then count me out as well
The God I know has room for us all

Even you are welcome
Even I am welcome
Even they are welcome
To touch the face of God
Everybody's welcome
Even we are welcome
All of us together
Can hold the hand of God
(2x)

All of us together
Can hold the hand of God

**Opening Hymn:
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
UMH #384**

(Verse 1)
Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down;
Fix in us thy humble dwelling;
All thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation;
Enter every trembling heart.

(Verse 2)
Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit;
Let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

(Verse 3)
Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

(Verse 4)
Finish, then, thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfect restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

**Praise Hymn:
In Christ Alone
Getty & Townend**

(Verse 1)

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

(Verse 2)

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid.
Here in the death of Christ I live.

(Verse 3)

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

(Verse 4)

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

**Prayer Hymn:
Make Me a Servant
TFWS #2176**

Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

(Repeat)

**Doxology:
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
UMH #95**

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.

Closing Hymn:
Your Grace Is Enough
M. Maher

(Verse 1)

Great is Your faithfulness, O God.
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy.
And nothing can keep us apart.

(Pre-Chorus)

(So) remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

(Chorus 1)

Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.

(Verse 2)

Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob.
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along.

(Pre-Chorus)

(So) remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

(Chorus 1)

Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.
Yeah, your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.

(Pre-Chorus)

Remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, O God.

(Chorus 2)

Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.
Yeah, Your grace is enough.
Heaven reaches out to us.
Your grace is enough for me.
God, I sing, Your grace is enough.
I'm covered in Your love.
Your grace is enough for me,
For me.

(End)

It's enough for me.

Announcements
November 12, 2023

Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Freehold. Whether you are joining us in person, or virtually, we are glad you are with us.

Open Door will be distributing Thanksgiving baskets in the community. Last year, they fed 575 families and they expect the same for this year. To make up the baskets, they need:

(Bring on Nov. 12 and 19)



Mashed potatoes
Stuffing
Canned Vegetables
Canned Cranberry
Turkey gravy

Corn muffin mix
Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate
Juice 64 oz
Pasta and pasta sauce (no lasagna or shells please)
Aluminum turkey roasting pans

(Bring on Nov. 19 ONLY)

Frozen turkey, turkey breast, or ham. Store bought pies - no frozen or homemade please.

Invite family and friends to service on **November 19th** for a special choral presentation of **“God’s Trombones”** written by Mitch Samu.

Thanksgiving Bread Sale – November 19th in Fellowship Hall. Pick up DELICIOUS homemade breads for Thanksgiving!

If you have a special holiday bread that you would like to bake for the sale, please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall.

November 19th is **Stewardship Pledge Day**. We will have a Celebratory Lunch following service: sub sandwiches, pizza, and desserts. Please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall if you plan on attending.

The **Elizabeth Circle** is collecting items for senior citizens who are served by **OPEN DOOR**. The Elizabeth Circle will prepare 20 Christmas gift bags 15 gift bags for women and 5 for men. The following items are needed by **November 19th**:

Shampoo	Small Tissue Packets (individual purse size)
Hand Lotion	Small Books (word search or crossword books)
Chap Stick or Lipstick	Pocket Size Hand Sanitizer
Full Size Deodorant	Small Notebooks and Pens
Full Size Soap	Gloves (one size fits all)
Hand Warmers	Small bags of candy

The Elizabeth Circle is also assembling 10 additional gift bags for E.H.A.P.

* Please place donations on the **OPEN DOOR** table in Missions Hall.

Stitcher's Circle: New Meeting Time – The Stitchers Circle will now be meeting from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. monthly on the fourth Thursday. The meeting for November has been changed to the 16th (in lieu of Thanksgiving) as is reflected on the church calendar.

MITTENS & HATS TO KEEP OUR FRIENDS AT OPEN DOOR WARM THIS WINTER!



1. Pick up a gift tag from the basket on the table under the Elizabeth Circle bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.
2. Sign your name and phone number and the NUMBER of the tag you took.
3. Purchase your gift.
4. Attach the gift tag to the unwrapped hat & mitten with a safety pin.
5. Return hats and mittens by DECEMBER 19 and place in the collection bin on the table.
6. Cross off your name off the list.



THE 28TH ANNUAL JERSEY CARES COAT DRIVE

The First United Methodist Church of Freehold will collect coats beginning Sunday, November 26, 2023 through Friday, January 5, 2024. All donations of **new or gently used coats (Newborn to Adult size)** may be placed in the collection box located in the Mission Hallway.



Grocery Cards can be purchased in the Coffee Room during Fellowship Time following service.

November Birthdays

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| (2) Ed Bowen | (10) Bob Duarte | (17) Gene Sampieri |
| (3) Nora Wentworth | (12) Ashley Wilson | (24) Tad Wentworth |
| (5) Carrie Healton | (14) Chaz Restivo | (25) Kathy Mulholland |
| (7) Gilbert Healton | (15) Alli Budka | (30) Amy Wilson |
| (8) Geri Losh | (16) Connie Martz | |