

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold  
Bulletin**

**Sunday, July 31, 2022  
8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Announcements: Sharon Shutzer

Prelude: "Ave Maria" J.S. Bach  
Soloist, Amanda Rose Austin

Welcome: Pastor, Yoseb Jeon

\*Call to Worship:

Leader: Our lives are in the care of God.

**People: God has given us abundance and hope.**

Leader: This day, we have come to praise and thank God for all that God has done for us.

**People: We gather to celebrate God's love and to offer our lives in service.**

Leader: Come, let us open our hearts to the Lord!

**People: Let us rejoice in God's goodness and love. AMEN.**

\*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

**Bountiful God, who gives to us all that we need to sustain our lives. Open our hearts today to hear your words of compassionate justice, that we may focus on the ways in which you intend us to live and be of service to you by serving the world. In Jesus' Name we pray. AMEN.**

\*Opening Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God" UMH #102

\*Praise Song: "Instruments of Your Peace" Dearman & Dearman

Prayer Hymn: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" UMH #361

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor, Yoseb Jeon

*[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.]*

The Lord's Prayer: (In Unison) UMH #895

Scripture Reading: Luke 12:13-21 Anita Ritchie

Message: "Being Rich Toward God" Pastor Yoseb Jeon

Offering: The **Special Offering** for the month of July will benefit The Maker's Place in Trenton, New Jersey. The Maker's Place helps protect the health of babies by providing diapers to families in need.

Offertory: "The Lord's Prayer" A. H. Malotte  
Soloist, Amanda Rose Austin

\*Doxology: "Thank You God" Mitch Samu

\*Offertory Prayer: (In Unison)

Holy God, loving parent; your patience with your children is beyond our comprehension! How many times have we sung praises to you “from whom all blessings flow” and yet in our lives, in our practice and in our giving, we’ve acted like most of those blessings are from our own – to do with as we wish? Often, we have been deaf to your teaching and blind to your leading. May the gifts we give today be a token to our goal to live generous lives that honor you and express gratitude for your goodness to us. In the name of Jesus, our savior, we pray. Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Closing Hymn:

“Go Light Your World”

Chris Rice

\*Benediction:

Pastor, Joseb Jeon

\*Postlude

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## **Scripture Passage for Sunday, July 31, 2022**

**Liturgist: Anita Ritchie**

### **Luke 12:13-21 (New Revised Standard Version)**

#### **The Parable of the Rich Fool**

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Opening Hymn:  
Now Thank We All Our God  
UMH #102**

Now thank we all our God,  
With hearts and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done,  
In whom this world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms  
Has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us still in grace,  
And guide us when perplexed;  
And free us from all ills,  
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given;  
The Son, and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven;  
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heaven adore;  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.

**Praise Hymn:  
Instruments of Your Peace  
(Dearman & Dearman)**

(Chorus)

Lord make us instruments of Your peace;  
Where there is hatred let Your love increase.  
Lord, make us instruments of Your peace;  
Walls of pride and prejudice shall cease  
When we are Your instruments of peace.

(Verse 1)

Where there is hatred, we will sow His love;  
Where there is injury we will never judge;  
Where there is striving, we will speak His peace.  
To the people crying for release,  
We will be His instruments of peace.

(Chorus)

Lord make us instruments of Your peace;  
Where there is hatred let Your love increase.  
Lord, make us instruments of Your peace;  
Walls of pride and prejudice shall cease  
When we are Your instruments of peace.

(Verse 2)

Where there is blindness, we will pray for sight;  
Where there is darkness, we will shine His light;  
Where there is sadness, we will bear their grief.  
To the millions crying for release,  
We will be His instruments of peace.

(Last Chorus)

Lord make us instruments of Your peace;  
Where there is hatred let Your love increase.  
Lord, make us instruments of Your peace;  
Walls of pride and prejudice shall cease,  
When we are Your instruments,  
When we are Your instruments,  
Lord, make us Your instruments of peace.

**Prayer Hymn:  
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me  
UMH #361**

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From thy wounded side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure;  
Save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill thy law's demands,  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,  
Simply to the cross I cling;  
Naked, come to thee for dress,  
Helpless, look to thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When mine eyes shall close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in thee.

**Doxology:  
Thank You God  
(Mitch Samu)**

Thank you, God  
Thank you, God  
Thank you, God  
For giving me this life  
I get to live.

Thank you, God  
Love you, God  
Praise you, God  
Forever I will give all I can give

Amen!

Thank you, God  
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**Closing Hymn:  
Go Light Your World  
(Chris Rice)**

(Verse 1)

There is a candle in every soul  
Some brightly burning some dark and cold  
There is a Spirit, who brings a fire;  
Ignites a candle and makes His home.

(Chorus)

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the hopeless, confused and torn.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it;  
Take your candle and go light your world.  
Take your candle and go light your world.

(Verse 2)

Frustrated brother, see how he's tried to  
Light his own candle some other way.  
See now your sister, she's been robbed and lied to;  
Still holds a candle without a flame.

(Chorus)

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the lonely, the tired and worn.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it;  
Take your candle and go light your world.  
Take your candle and go light your world.

(Verse 3)

We are a family whose hearts are blazing,  
So let's raise our candles and light up the sky.  
Praying to our Father, in the name of Jesus;  
Make us a beacon in darkest times.

(Last Chorus)

So, carry your candle, run to the darkness,  
Seek out the helpless, deceived and poor.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it;  
Take your candle and go light your world.  
Carry your candle run to the darkness  
Seek out the hopeless, confused and torn.  
Hold out your candle for all to see it;  
Take your candle and go light your world.  
Take your candle and go light your world.

(Ending)

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