

First United Methodist Church of Freehold
Bulletin

Sunday, November 14, 2021

Announcements: Sharon Shutzer

Prelude

Welcome: Pastor, Wil Wilson

Call to Worship:

Leader: God of grace,

People: Show us how to strengthen our faith.

Leader: Jesus of mercy,

People: Help us to care for others.

Leader: Spirit of hope,

People: Show us how to be generous with our gifts – with no strings attached.

Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

Loving God, we worship you with grateful hearts, for you have given us your Son, and through the power of your Holy Spirit, have given us the gift of community. It brings us such happiness when we gather and work together in love as one body of Christ. Show us how to share this joy with our neighbors, so that those who do not know you may see your love through how we live. May we be a blessing to those around us, holding nothing back, asking for nothing in return, just as you have blessed us. Grant us this prayer n Jesus' name. Amen.

Opening Hymn: "All My Days" Zelman & Miller

Hymn: "I Surrender All" UMH #354

Prayer Hymn: "I Am Thine, O Lord" UMH #419

[For our viewers at home, please submit prayer requests in the online attendance sheet, or email Pastor Wil.]

Intercessory Prayer: Pastor, Wil Wilson

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

Pastor Appreciation Moment: Pamela Wentworth

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:43-47 Cindy Curtis-Budka

Sermon: "All In: No Strings Attached" Pastor, Wil Wilson

Stewardship Moment: Glenn Meredith

Offering Talk: *Our Special Offering will benefit the **Pastor's Emergency Fund.*** Pastor, Wil Wilson

Offertory: "The Coast" Mitch Samu

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

Offertory Prayer

Loving God, as you sent Christ, that the world, through him, might be saved, receive these offerings that they may be used to bring blessing to our community and to the great human family. May our generosity be a gift that helps to build your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Hear our prayer in the name of the One who gave his life that we all might have life, and have it abundantly. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Closing Hymn:	“Here I Am, Lord”	UMH #593
Benediction:		Pastor, Wil Wilson
Postlude:	“All My Days” (reprise)	Zelman & Miller

Scripture Passage for Sunday, November 14, 2021

Liturgist: Cindy Curtis – Budka

Acts 2:43-47

Life among the Believers

⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds^[a] to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home^[b] and ate their food with glad and generous^[c] hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

**Opening Hymn:
"All My Days"**

You know my words before they're said.
You know my need and I am fed.
You give me life. You know my ways,
My strength, my path, for all my days,
My strength, my path, for all my days.

If I should fly beyond the dawn,
The darkness will not overcome.

If I lie down in deepest night,
Still you are there, my Lord my light,
Still you are there, my Lord my light.

Our every thought, each word we say,
The whole of time, the present day,
Are held within your mighty hand,
Too wonderful to comprehend,
Too wonderful to comprehend!

O mend my heart and free my voice.
From sin released, I will rejoice.
O search me, Lord, my spirit cries,
And let my song of praise arise,
And let my song of praise arise!

**Hymn:
"I Surrender All"**

All to Jesus I surrender;
All to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.

I surrender all, I surrender all,
All to Thee my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender;
Humbly at His feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken;
Take me, Jesus, take me now.

I surrender all, I surrender all,
All to Thee my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender;
Make me, Savior, wholly Thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that Thou art mine.

I surrender all, I surrender all,
All to Thee my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender;
Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power;
Let Thy blessing fall on me.

I surrender all, I surrender all,
All to Thee my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender;
Now I feel the sacred flame.
O the joy of full salvation!
Glory, glory to His name!

I surrender all, I surrender all,
All to Thee my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

Prayer Hymn
"I Am Thine, O Lord"

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice,
And it told Thy love to me;
But I long to rise in the arms of faith
And be closer drawn to Thee.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died.
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious bleeding side.

Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord,
By the power of grace divine;
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
And my will be lost in Thine.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died.
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious bleeding side.

O, the pure delight of a single hour
That before Thy throne I spend,
When I kneel in prayer, and with Thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend!

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died.
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious bleeding side.

There are depths of love that I cannot know
Till I cross the narrow sea;
There are heights of joy that I may not reach
Till I rest in peace with Thee.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died.
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To Thy precious bleeding side.

Closing Hymn:
"Here I Am, Lord"

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.