

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold
Bulletin**

**Sunday, August 20, 2023
12th Sunday after Pentecost**

Announcements: Sharon Shutzer

Introit: "Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord"
Kathy Mulholland, soloist June Knier

Welcome: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Call to Worship: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Leader: What joy we feel when we are called together to celebrate God's love.

People: God's love flows through our lives!

Leader: This is what it means to be the body of Christ!

People: This is what it means to be faithful witnesses to God.

Leader: Let us rejoice on this day!

People: Lord, we thank you for the blessings you pour on us. AMEN.

*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

**We cry to you, O Lord, from the back of the line, from the edge of the crowd, from the corner of the room.
But you make no such distinctions, nor do you set such boundaries. Your faithfulness is great; your grace is
enough. And we are covered in your love. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn: "Amazing Grace" UMH #378
(verses 1-3)

*Praise Song: "Lamb of God" TFWS #2113

Introduction to Prayer: Rev. 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.]*

Prayer Hymn: "Lord, I Want to be a Christian" UMH# 402
(verse 1)

Pastoral Prayer: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

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

Scripture Reading: Matthew 15:21-28 Karen Bennett

Friendship Moment

*[For those joining us online, please take a moment to sign the online attendance form:
www.freeholdmethodist.org]*

Song: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" UMH #133
(verse 1)

Message: "With Jesus, There Are No Outsiders" Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering Time: **Giving Page:** www.freeholdmethodist.org/give

Offertory: "Don't Worry, Child" Kathy Mulholland
Kathy Mulholland, soloist

*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Text: UMH #95; Tune: "Gift of Love"

*Offering Prayer: (In Unison)

As God has so richly blessed us, let us return a portion of these blessings to God. Receive these gifts, lovingly given, and bless them in your service. We ask you that these gifts may be used in service to everyone in our community through the ministries and mission of this church.

*Passing of the Peace

*Closing Hymn: "Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands On Me" TFWS #2139

*Benediction: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude "Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands On Me" TFWS #2139

Scripture Passage

Liturgist: Karen Bennett

Matthew 15:21-28 (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

The Canaanite Woman's Faith

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." ²⁴ He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶ He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷ She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

**Opening Hymn:
Amazing Grace (v. 1, 2, 3)
UMH #378**

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

**Praise Hymn:
Lamb of God
TFWS #2113**

Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love, they crucified,
They laughed and scorned Him as He died,
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God.

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood -
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

I was so lost, I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side,
To be led by Your staff and rod,
And to be called a lamb of God.

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood -
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

**Prayer Hymn:
Lord, I Want to Be a Christian (v. 1)
UMH #402**

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart,
In my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart,
In my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
(in my heart)

**Doxology:
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
UMH #95 (Tune "Gift of Love")**

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

**Friendship Moment Song:
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (V. 1)
UMH #133**

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Leaning, leaning on Jesus,
Leaning, leaning on Jesus,
Safe and secure from all alarms,
Leaning, leaning on Jesus,
Leaning, leaning on Jesus,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Closing Hymn:

Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me

TFWS #2139

(Refrain)

**Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.**

**Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.**

Did ever you see the like before?
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;
King Jesus preaching to the poor!
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.

(Refrain)

Oh, wasn't that a happy day
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;
when Jesus washed my sins away!
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.

(Refrain)

Some seek the Lord and don't seek him right;
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;
they fool all day and pray at night,
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.

(Refrain)

My Lord's done just what he said;
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;
he's healed the sick and raised the dead;
I know the Lord's laid his hands on me.

(Refrain)

Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Freehold. We are glad you are with us.

Today's **Altar Flowers** donated by Lynne and Ed Beach in celebration of their anniversary. And by Verl and Joanne McKinney, in celebration of Verl's 88th birthday (May 21st).

3-4 Volunteers are needed to help teach Sunday school classes. See Jane Healton if you are interested.

We are collecting items for **FLOOD BUCKETS**. Please pick up a list of needed items from the table in Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers are needed in the church office September 5th, 6th, and 7th from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. while Susan is away. If you are able to help out, please contact Susan in the church office (732) 462-1745 or email office@freeholdmethodist.org

August Birthdays

(3) Corbett Cory
(4) Carolyn Brach
(5) Cassie Sterling
(17) Jessica Cronin
(18) Gayle Trulli
(19) Ken Budka

(21) Verl McKinney
(21) Sandra Hernandez
(25) Lindsey Hennessey
(26) Anita Ritchie
(27) Ernest Peart
(30) Shawn Darby