

October 18, 2020

9:30 am

Laity Sunday – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Zoom Conference Call Worship

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Welcome and Time of Ministry

Prelude “Amazing Grace/ My Chains Are Gone”
Bellport United Methodist Church Choir

Opening Prayer Scott Munson

God of power and might, help us to recognize the imprint of Your love and mercy in our lives. Open our hearts to that love that we may grow in our faith and be strengthened in our witness to You. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn “Are Ye Able” (vrs 1 and 3) #530

(1) "Are ye able," said the Master, "to be crucified with me?"
"Yea," the sturdy dreamers answered, "to the death we follow thee."

Refrain: Lord, we are able. Our spirits are thine.
Remold them, make us, like thee, divine.
Thy guiding radiance above us shall be
a beacon to God, to love, and loyalty.

(3) Are ye able when the shadows close around you with the sod,
to believe that spirit triumphs, to commend your soul to God?

Refrain

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND

Old Testament Lesson Malachi 3:8-12 Scott Munson

Will anyone rob God? Yet you are robbing me! But you say, “How are we robbing you?” In your tithes and offerings! You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me—the whole nation of you! Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and

pour down for you an overflowing blessing. I will rebuke the locust for you, so that it will not destroy the produce of your soil; and your vine in the field shall not be barren, says the Lord of hosts. Then all nations will count you happy, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts.

Gospel Lesson Luke 6:37-38 Scott Munson

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; 38 give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God

Message “It Is More Blessed To Give Than To Receive” Bill Morse

Reflection in Music

Prayers of the People Scott Munson

Prayers of healing for Bruce Groh, Janet Vanderzalm and Lois.
Prayers of peace and comfort for Al Payne’s mother Alda and her family.

The Lord’s Prayer

Hymn “Let There Be Peace on Earth” #431

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father Brothers all are we.

Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves Scott Munson

Prayer of Dedication

God, source of all that is, lover of justice and source of equity, help us live boldly and truthfully as we seek to follow Your ways. Embolden us to share with others the gift of grace that You have so abundantly given us. Receive and bless these gifts that we return to You now. In the name of the One who gives us life, we pray. Amen.

*You may mail your offering to the church.
 PO Box 460, Bellport NY 11713
 Or if you have Zelle pay option, our church ID is
bellportumc@optimum.net

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Hymn "Take My Life, and Let It Be" #399

(1) Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
 Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
 Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
 Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

(2) Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.
 Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.
 Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
 Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

(3) Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
 Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.
 Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

***Benediction** Scott Munson

Postlude "May the Lord Watch Over You"
 Bellport United Methodist Church Choir

May the Lord watch over you until we meet again.
 May our great and glorious King hide you in the shadow of His wings
 May the Lord provide for you and meet your every need
 May He hold you in the palm of His hand

and protect you till we meet again. God be with you till we meet again;
 by His counsels' guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you.
 God be with you till we meet again.

Liturgists: Scott Munson

Ushers: Steve Sr & Steve Jr Montick, Mike Bilecki, Anna McClure, Bruce Groh, Scott Munson, Laura Terwilliger and Doris Lundegard.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Laity Sunday is observed on the third Sunday in October, this day calls the Church to celebrate the ministry of Christians of all ages in the home, workplace, congregation, community, and world. We celebrate Laity Sunday by having lay persons lead all parts of the worship service. Special thanks to our lay leader Bill and Scott (liturgist), and all of you that make our church the body of Christ in the world.

Food Collection: Please drop off non-perishable food at the table near the front door of the sanctuary or any table in the Gathering Area.

There will be a **Council Meeting** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:30 pm.

Weekly Financial Information

DATE	ATTENDANCE Sanctuary/Zoom	WEEKLY OFFERING
10/04/20	24/17=41	\$3,107
10/11/20	19/16=35	\$1,697

***Includes General, Benevolence & Building Fund**