

Lyall Community Church

*A Church whose only label is Christian
and whose only Head is Christ.*

An interdenominational congregation that welcomes all.

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



Lyall Memorial Federated Church

Millbrook, N.Y.

*The flowers in the chancel this morning
are in loving memory of Scoutmaster Ed Olson
given by Boy Scout Troop 31*

Sunday Services
10:25 am Worship

Communion
1st Sunday of the Month

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The Reverend Thomas W. Fiet, Pastor
Mr. Dan Koch, Director of Music

Our Approach to a Good God

We invite the congregation to a time of meditation and readiness during the gathering music.

Prelude:

Choral Introit

Welcome

Hymn: #3 Holy, Holy, Holy

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 112)

Leader: Praise the Lord! Blessed are those who honor God and do the right.

People: In all their affairs, they do well. Even in tough times they are solid as a rock.

Assurance of Pardon and Restoration (Inspired by Isaiah 58)

Leader: If you do justice, mercy and reconciliation, then...

People:...our light shall break forth like the dawn, and our healing shall spring up speedily; we will feel right when we do right; we will call upon the Lord, and the Lord will answer: "Here I am."

*Passing the Peace of Christ to every and all!

**Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!*

Choral Anthem:

Prayer of Confession:]

In the meantime, Lord. We wait and so often long for better days. Days of relief for friends and family. Days waiting for justice to roll down for the world near us and beyond us. We wait, half trusting history is on your side. Half trusting that we are on the side of the angels. Help us to be awake in the meantime; and guide us to do that which is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

Choral Response (please join in)

When in days of fallen snow, change confounds, or love burns low,

From the ashes, may there rise, phoenix of our growing.

Holy light, warm our night; warm the time of winter,

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Spirit of the Law: (Inspired by 1 John 3)

Leader: Is not this the fast that I choose, says the Lord. To loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

People: Is it not to share our bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into our homes; when we see the naked, to cover them, and to give help to our own.

Chant (please join in)

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Prayers of the People

*Hymn: #681 In His Time

News from a Good God

Scripture: Matthew 5.13-20

Sermon: Does Salt Go Bad?

The Community Responds

Offering/Offertory:

**Doxology: 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.*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

They will come: from East and West and North and South,
and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Blessed be the kingdom, now and forever!

This is the Lord's Table:

**Trusting Him, we come to share the feast
He has prepared.**

It is written that "the Lord Jesus, on the night when He

was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, 'This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way, also He took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes."

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory,
glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.**

All glory be to You, O God, for Jesus Christ your Son, who was born of Mary, shared our weakness, was tempted in every way like us, suffered and died for us upon the cross, and was raised from the dead by your power, the victor over sin and death, Lord of creation and Head of the Church.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

Grant, O Lord, by your Holy Spirit, that the bread we break and the cup we share may be for us a means of grace; that, receiving them, we may be made one with Christ, and He with us, and remain faithful members of His body until we feast with Him anew in His kingdom.

With Christians through all ages and in every land, we offer the prayer our Lord has taught us:

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
our debts, as we also forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us
from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

With the Church, universal, we profess our common faith...

**I believe in God the Father, Almighty, maker of heaven
and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;**

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy universal church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Breaking bread)

Jesus said: "This is my body which is broken for you."

(Taking the cup)

Jesus said: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood."

(hum responsively)

**Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world
grant us your peace.**

(Giving the bread and the cup)

Jesus said; "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst. I am the vine, you are the branches, for apart from me you can do no good thing."

(Please wait while all are served, and until all have partaken...)

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Amen

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul

People: And All that is within me, bless His Holy Name.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

People: And forget not all His benefits.

*Hymn: #788 Now Thank We All Our God

*Benediction/ (Three Fold Amen)

Postlude:

| Worship Participants | |
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| Gathering Music | Daniel M. Koch |
| Lector | Bob Reid |
| Greeter/Ushers | |
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| Community Groups | |
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| <i>Meals on Wheels</i> | 8:30-10:00 AM, Monday, Wednesday and Friday John Hummel 845-677-4235 |
| <i>Alcoholics Anonymous</i> | Monday-Friday: 12 – 1 PM Saturday: 7:30-8:30 PM Sunday (Men's) 8:15-9:15 AM; 7:30-8:30 PM Please reach out to group leaders for details |
| <i>Small Circle of Friends</i> | Danielle Szalewicz, 845-624-0826 |
| <i>Millbrook Early Childhood Education</i> | 845-677-3536 |

Welcome Visitors to Lyall Community Church
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Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I would like to be on email _____

I am interested in membership _____

I would like an appointment to meet _____