

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR HOMECOMING SUNDAY

September 12, 2021

11:00 a.m.

* All who are able may stand

Congregation reads aloud the **bold print**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Steve Clark

PRELUDE

Two Elizabethan Lute Songs John Dowland (1563-1616)

The Nearly Valentines

Jeanmarie Braddock – violin and voice; Chris Braddock – guitars

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN NO. 770

I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

vs. 1, 3, 4, 5 (p. 5)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Carol Haas

God of Mercy:

We confess that we have failed to live as your beloved children.

We have set our minds on the things of this world,

and we have neglected the inheritance of love

you bestow upon your saints.

We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business;

we have harbored uncharitable thoughts toward our enemies and friends;

we have avoided difficult responsibilities to our neighbors.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us from our selfish ways

and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ,

in whose name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE (all sing)

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

NO. 804, v. 1

Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Bible Presentation – Ella Fuchs

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

Soon and Very Soon

Andrae Crouch (1942-2015)

The Nearly Valentines

Jeanmarie Braddock – violin and voice

Chris Braddock – guitars

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Centered in Christ, Sowing Life

Pastor Steve Clark

As Concord Presbyterian Church, we commit ourselves to be a Christ-centered people of God. By the grace of God and energized by the Holy Spirit,

WE WILL FEED the spiritual and intellectual hunger of God's people.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Philippians 2:4-11, *adapted*)

By the grace of God and energized by the Holy Spirit,

we will look not to our own interests, but to the interests of others,

letting the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus:

Though he was in the form of God,

he did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—

even death on a cross.

(cont'd)

**Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION HYMN NO. 507 *Come to the Table of Grace* vs. 1, 3, 5 (p. 6)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN NO. 66 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* (p. 7)

*BENEDICTION

*GREETING OF PEACE

As you go out today, wherever God leads you,
share God's peace with all you meet.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

POSTLUDE

The Silver Spire Cape Breton traditional/
The Nearly Valentines recorded by N. MacMaster
Jeanmarie Braddock – violin and voice; Chris Braddock – guitars



CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

**Please remain seated immediately following worship
for a brief meeting of the congregation,
called to act upon the recommendation of the
Nominating Committee to elect Mike Jones to fill an
unexpired term on the Board of Deacons, Class of 2022.**

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Ellin Foote in appreciation of all of Concord's angels.

Assisting in the service of worship are:

Deacon-in-Charge: Dick Carter

Liturgist: Carol Haas

Greeters: Dottie Harding, Kay Jewett

Concord accepts donations via several electronic methods:

- Scanning the QR code with your smart phone will allow you to make credit card or PayPal donations to Concord.
- Use your personal banking app (utilizing Zelle®) to send a cash donation to donations@concordpc.org.



CLOTHING/SCHOOL UNIFORM DRIVE
to benefit Friendship House Clothing Bank

*The Clothing Bank van will arrive in our parking lot
about 1:00pm today, so those who brought along
donations can load them into the van and
pick up your tax-deductible receipt.*

Thanks to all who participated!

770 I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

1 I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble;
 2 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus;
 3 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers;
 4 Here all the world will find a wel - come;
 5 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey;

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.
 here all the world will find a wel-come, Al - le - lu - ia.
 we're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

I'm gon-na eat at the wel-come ta - ble; I'm gon - na
 I'm gon-na eat and drink with my Je - sus; I'm gon - na
 I'm gon-na join with sis - ters, broth - ers; I'm gon - na
 Here all the world will find a wel - come; here all the
 We're gon-na feast on milk and hon - ey; we're gon - na

eat at the wel - come ta - ble, Al - le - lu - ia.
 eat and drink with my Je - sus, Al - le - lu - ia.
 join with sis - ters, broth - ers, Al - le - lu - ia.
 world will find a wel - come, Al - le - lu - ia.
 feast on milk and hon - ey, Al - le - lu - ia.

Come to the Table of Grace 507

Capo 3: (D) (A) (Bm) (D7/A) (G)
 F C Dm F7/C B \flat

1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the

(A) (D) (A) (D) (Em)
 C F C F Gm

ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's

(D/A) (G) (D/A) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 F/A B \flat F/C C7 F B \flat F

not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Refrain

Ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my

heart I will pray. Yes, ev - ery time I feel the

Spir - it mov - ing in my heart I will pray. *Fine*

1 Up - on the moun - tain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's

2 Jor - dan Riv - er, chil - ly and cold, it chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a - round me, it looked so

bod - y but not the soul. There is but one train up - on this

to Refrain

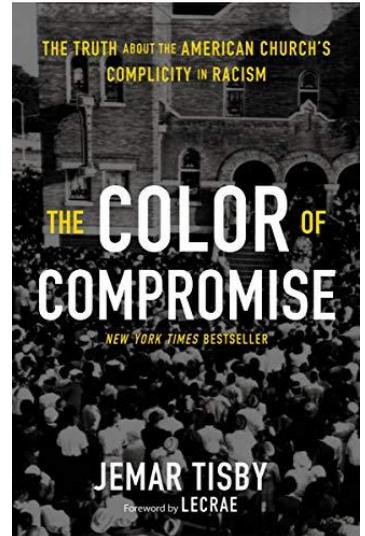
fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine.
track. It runs to heav - en and then right back.

***THE COLOR OF COMPROMISE:
THE TRUTH ABOUT THE AMERICAN
CHURCH'S COMPLICITY IN RACISM***

7:00-8:00pm Mondays

(Zoom and recorded)

September 20 – November 15



Drawing on Jemar Tisby's book of the same name, this video-based nine-session series provides a unique survey of American Christianity's racial past, revealing the ways people of faith have worked against racial justice, as well as the complicit silence of racial moderates. We will look at tragic and often-ignored aspects of our past and suggests ways to foster a more just future among God's people.

Participants are encouraged to get a copy of the book, *The Color of Compromise*, to read during with the 9-week series (available on Amazon and other bookseller sites). But everyone is welcome to join any or all sessions, even if you don't have the book. Every session will be recorded and posted on our Concord website for those not able to connect with the live Zoom conversations.

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