

EDGEWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Cranston, RI

10:00 AM

June 26, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome! We invite you into a time of preparation for worship. We invite you to unplug, turn off your phones, unwind from the past week, and focus your hearts on God's presence within, around, and between us all.

Words of Welcome & Announcements

L: God is present. L: Everywhere, all the time.

C: All the time, everywhere. C: God is present.

Prelude

Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 104

L: We gather in the presence of the One who breathes life into all of Creation.

C: We sing God's praises, breathing in God's glory.

L: All are welcome in the presence of the Holy One.

C: We come, seeking the goodness found in the hands of God.

L: We gather as God's beloved people, leaving no one outside.

C: Together we reflect the fullness of God's love; together we bring God's love into the world.

All: Let us worship the Living God whose breath gives us life.

Invocation

*Hymn #327 "Jesus Loves Me"

Question(s) for Reflection

"To love without condition, to talk without intention, to give without reason, to care without expectation; that's the spirit of true love."

What expectations do I have of those I love?

When has my desire to be loved kept me from sharing the spirit of true love?

Silence

Assurance of Blessing

Baptism

Roman Wilder Joseph Crispi

Parents: Melynda Crispi & Brittany Reardon

***Sharing of the Sign of Peace**

Let us celebrate God's great grace by offering to one another a sign of Christ's peace.

Scripture

I John 4:7-12,16

Sermon

"God Is Love"

***Hymn**

#325 "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

Prayers of the People / Centering Prayer / Intercessory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, bless these gifts and the givers that all might carry forward the ministry you intend here in this church and community, and wherever there is a need on the face of the earth. Amen.

***Hymn**

#351 "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"

The Take Home

"You can spend a lifetime trying to be One with the Great Spirit or simply focus on Love and realize you already are."

Benediction / Sung Response

"Go, My Children" (tune: #82)

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone;

**Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own;
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever,
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.**

Postlude

We thank Judy Provorse for serving as lay reader this morning.
Please keep **Cay Browne** and **Joe DiCiccio** in your prayers.

This month's mission support focus is our Deacon's Fund. This fund offers small grants to families in need. envelopes for giving to this Fund can be found on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

For the month of July we are partnering with Project Undercover to provide needy families with new, unopened diapers (all sizes), new children's socks and underwear (all sizes), and unopened baby wipes. As a non-profit Project Undercover can also purchase these essential items in bulk at a reduced rate, so we are also encouraging cash donations. You can go on their website and make a financial donation there; you can write a check made out to Project Undercover or Edgewood Church, putting in the memo line "Project Undercover".

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BAPTISM



**God is love, and those who abide in love
abide in God, and God abides in them.**

- I John 4:16b

**No matter who you are or
where you are on life's journey,
you're welcome here.**

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