

EDGEWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Cranston, RI

10:00 AM

July 24, 2022

SEVENTH 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

Psalm 138:1-3, *The Message Bible*

L: Thank you! Everything in me says "Thank you!"

C: Angels listen as I sing my thanks.

L: I kneel in worship facing your holy temple and say it again:
"Thank you!"

C: Thank you for your love, thank you for your faithfulness.

All: The moment I called out, you stepped in; you made my life large with strength.

Invocation

*Hymn #516 "O Grant Us, God, a Little Space"

Question(s) for Reflection

"Prayer should always be our first response to every situation."

- Joyce Meyers

"Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?" (*Corrie ten Boom*)

Silence

Assurance of Blessing

***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

Luke 11:1-13

Sermon

Prayer: Knocking on Heaven's Door

***Hymn**

#508 "Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire"

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**

#349, vs. 1,4,5 "I Come with Joy"

The Take Home

"I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us, and we change things."

- Mother Teresa

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

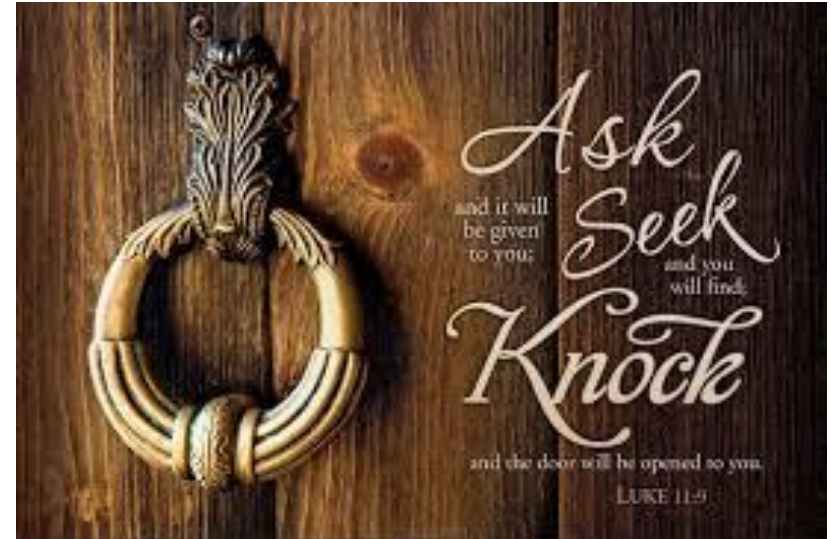
We thank Merry Scarborough for serving as lay reader this morning.

Please keep **Cay Browne, Joe DiCiccio, Don Fowler, Don Josephson, Ricky Brightman, and Roman Crispi** in your prayers.

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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Knock, Knock, Knockin' on Heaven's Door



Lord, teach us to pray.

- Luke 11:1b

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

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