

# Grove Presbyterian Church

## Service of Worship

(9th Sunday after Pentecost)

9:30 AM

August 6, 2017

### --Ready for the Word--

Announcements and Welcome

Musical Prelude

Invitation to Worship

Choral Beginning

\*We Sing Together

Hymnbook No. 483

### “Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

We Confess Together

*Almighty God, Spirit of purity and grace, whose salvation is never far from the contrite heart, hear our confession of sin. For our many refusals of your call; for all our forgotten vows; for the excuses we have fashioned to hide from ourselves our unfaithful lives; for our readiness to blame others; for our selfish luxuries amid the oppression and sorrows of life; for the pleadings of your spirit to which we have not hearkened, have mercy on us. Set us free from sin so that we might live to the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: Anyone in Christ is a new person altogether. The past is finished and gone; everything has become fresh and new. Friends, believe the good news. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.*

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*Response

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.*

### -- Receiving the Word --

Passing of the Peace / Children’s Story

\*Song of Praise

Hymnbook No. 356

### “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 30)

New Testament Lesson (page 16)

Reflection

Musical Offering

Genesis 32: 22-31

Matthew 14: 13-21

“Wrestling with God”

### -- Responding to the Word --

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

\*Doxology

Hymnbook No. 593

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*Those who wish, are invited to say to your neighbor when you serve them:*

*...the body of Christ broken for you...*

*...the blood of Christ shed for you...*

Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

Hymnbook Pg. 16

\*Song of Commitment

Hymnbook No. 361

### “How Firm a Foundation”

\*Blessing

\*Choral Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Please rise as able

We welcome today, Rev. Nancy Light Hardy, an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. A graduate of Dickinson College (B.A.), Brown University (M.A.T.), and Andover Newton Theological School (M. Div.), she has pastored churches in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and served for six years on the staff of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference. She served most recently as interim pastor of the Orangeville Charge, comprising Zion UCC, St. James UCC, and Orangeville United Church (federated UCC/PCUSA). Nancy is the mother of two adult daughters. She and her husband Richard live in Huntington Mills.

Participants in today’s service include: David C. Sanders (worship leader), Senior Choir (musical offering), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Nancy Hardy (children’s story, reflection). Visiting Preacher for next week – The Rev. Ray Brown. Sermon: “**Hang in There**”