



**Community Thanksgiving Service  
November 19, 2023  
First Presbyterian Church of Freehold  
7:00 PM**

***“How Does My Faith Bring Me Through Difficult Times”***

**Prelude**      *Bist Du Bei Mir, J.S. Bach*

**Opening Remarks:**

*Rev. Matthew Jones, Convenor of GFCA*

*Rev. Alan Olson, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Freehold*

**Reading of the GFCA Statement**

**Communal Moment of Silence**

**First Reflection:**

*Msgr. Sam Sirianni, Rector of the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine*

**Song**    *The Prayer, Foster/Sager*

**Second Reflection:**

*Rev. Alan Olson*

**Song**    *Imagine, John Lennon*

**Third Reflection:**

*Rabbi Melinda Panken, Senior Rabbi of Temple Shaari Emeth*

**Song**    *Heal Us Now, L. Sher*

**Offertory:**

*Geralyn Fraggetta-Drury, Director of Open Door*

**Offering**      *While on the Sea, Ukrainian folk tune  
(Collection for Open Door)*

**Song** *What a Wonderful World*, Thiele/Weiss

*I see trees of green  
Red roses too  
I see them bloom  
For me and you  
And I think to myself  
What a wonderful world*

*I see skies of blue  
And clouds of white  
The bright blessed day  
The dark sacred night  
And I think to myself  
What a wonderful world*

*The colors of the rainbow  
So pretty in the sky  
Are also on the faces  
Of people going by  
I see friends shaking hands  
Saying, "How do you do?"  
They're really saying  
I love you*

*I hear babies cry  
I watch them grow  
They'll learn much more  
Than I'll ever know  
And I think to myself  
What a wonderful world  
Yes, I think to myself  
What a wonderful world  
Ooh, yes*

**Announcements and Closing Prayer:**

**Rev. Alan Olson**

**Recessional** *Let All Things Now Living*

***Please join us for a reception  
following tonight's Community Thanksgiving Service***



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