



Christ Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

Creating Beloved Community

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

9:55 a.m.

February 17, 2019

Welcome to worship! As you settle in for worship, please feel free to light a candle of prayer in the chapel area (*right side of sanctuary*). The children will be with us through the children's word and prayer, then they will be excused to their classes. There is nursery care available throughout the service, and a crying room at the back of the sanctuary for those who become inconsolable.

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

Sylvia Berry, Organist

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adam Mitchell, Moderator

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Marching to Zion'

No. 707

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jilliann Larson,
Director of Christian Education

Leader: Happy are those who don't listen to the wicked,
who don't go where sinners go,
who don't do what evil people do.

**All: They love the Lord's teachings,
and they think about those teachings day and night.**

Leader: They are strong, like a tree planted by a river.

The tree produces fruit in season,
and its leaves don't die.

All: Everything they do will succeed.

(Psalm 1:1-3, New Century Version)

*Asterisk indicates all who are able may stand
Bold print indicates congregational response

INTROIT ‘I Will Make You Fishers of Men’ Dave and Jean Perry

GATHERING PRAYER

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: Lost

HYMN ‘What Does the Lord Require of You?’ No. 661
(following the hymn, the children will be excused to their classes)



PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION *(in unison)*

God, you know our innermost being – the good and the bad, the joyful and the sad. Our hearts are often inconsistent. We do what we hate, and we often hate what we do. Only you can understand us fully. Only you will love us still. Help us to search our hearts, and to do the things that we love so that we may be the love we wish to see in this world. May we, doing as love will dictate, be a blessing to ourselves and to others. Amen.

KYRIE ‘Sweet Hour of Prayer’ verse 1 No. 570

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE *(please stand as you are able)*

*RECEIVING AND SHARING GOD’S LOVE
(by handshake, embrace, or with hands folded)
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY

‘Trumpet Voluntary’

Henry Purcell,
arr. Jeremiah Clarke

Afternoon Chimes, directed by Carol Bradford

*(Carol Bradford, Eleanor Calvin, Bill Cockshaw, Donna Hefler, Sandy Hill,
Luane Rich)*

*DOXOLOGY ‘All People That On Earth Do Dwell’ vs 2 No. 18

Know that there is one God, indeed, who fashions us without our aid, who claims, us, gives us all we need, whose tender care will never fade.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

‘They’ll Know We are Christians’

No. 494

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

(please be seated for the closing music)

CLOSING MUSIC

Please join us for coffee and fellowship following the closing music downstairs in the fellowship hall. If you are visiting with us for the first time, welcome! We invite you to enjoy a free cup of coffee or tea and a donut, and hope that you will return next week.

Participating in today’s service are:

Rev. Patricia Hayes, Senior Minister

Jilliann Larson, Director of Christian Education

Murray Kidd, Music Director

Sylvia Berry, Organist

David Wilcox, Sign Language

Loren Stott, Sign Language

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS are in loving memory of Duncan Arthur Fraser's second birthday, given by his parents Corey and Jennifer Fraser.



WEDNESDAY DINNER: 6:00PM

This week we will be having Pasta and Meatballs with a Caesar Salad. Sign up at the information counter. All invited!! Cost \$5.00 or pay what you can.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

HEY KIDS! The schedule for summer camp at Silver Lake is in – get yours at the information counter. We have some campership money – talk to Hayley Hixon or Eva Lomba who had a great time last year. Each week has several different themes for different age groups, grades 4-12.

SCHOLARSHIP DINNER: April 6th (*mark your calendar*)

An Evening of Fine Dining at Christ Congregational Church under the direction of the Vitality Committee. There will be wonderful food, entertainment and raffles between the courses. This event is for 18+. Tickets will be \$20.00 each and additional contributions to the scholarship fund are always welcome and appreciated. Tickets on sale every Sunday in March, as well as through the church office.

COME TO AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING: On next Sunday, February 24 after church or Wednesday, February 27 after dinner to hear the Council's plan for the pastoral transition. Rev. Patricia's retirement is a long way off (more than 10 months) but the congregation needs to adopt a plan for the search process. There will be a congregational meeting on March 10th to vote on the proposed process.

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SNOW POLICY: we DO occasionally cancel because of bad roads. Usually if you hear words like "white out" or "blizzard conditions" we won't be holding services or meetings. Please check channel 5 on TV, the nearly weekly email or call ahead if it is hazardous.... and always, use your best judgement.





WORLD VOICES begins tomorrow. For a fourth year, we are hosting WOVOS during the February vacation week, anticipating about 30 girls in grades 6-12 for a week of music, art and leadership. Our program has received grants from several local cultural councils, including a large grant from the Brockton Cultural Council, and received a UCC Neighbors in Need grant that has helped us do this outreach. Last June we were awarded the state-wide UCC 2018 Bold New Initiative Award – so yes, we are proud of WOVOS!

This year the focus will be on women around the world who are activists, striving to make the world a better place. The art will focus on women contemporary artists and graffiti art. There will be a concert and art exhibit open to the public on Friday at 3pm followed by a reception. We hope that you will attend!

If you could help serve breakfast or lunches or with shopping during the week, please sign up at the information counter. We could use a few more people to ease the load!!

CHRIST CHURCH PIPE ORGAN SERIES PRESENTS

BACH BIRTHDAY BASH
SUNDAY, MARCH 17th at 3:00 PM

The Berry Collective
 &
Andrew Sheranian, Organist

SPECIAL GUEST: "KOTZSCH-IN-A-BOX" THE BUILDABLE, PLAYABLE MINIATURE PIPE ORGAN
 FROM FRIENDS OF THE KOTZSCHMAR ORGAN, PORTLAND, MAINE



Admission:

- \$15 Adults
- \$10 Seniors and Students
- Children FREE

Refreshments following



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PRAYER CONCERNS

We pray for those who cannot be with us at church:

Lois Cyr, Nancy Davis, Carole Duhamel, Louise Duhamel, David & Marilyn Fairbanks, Russ Gillpatrick, Janet Hodnett, Ruth Melanson, Mildred Miele, Geneva Prince, Arthur Sawyer, Barbara Smith, and Anna Thomas.

And for those who are ill or need extra prayer:

Brian Benson (nephew of Sandra Hill), Jean Cappeillo, Luke Creedon, Joyce Day (mother of Luanne Cockshaw), Frank DePaola (Denise Cahill's brother-in-law), Bobby Dornan (friend of Janet Hodnett), Denise Duhamel (granddaughter of Carole), Mark Duhamel (Carole's son), Brenda Eckstrom (Janet's niece-in-law), Alice Farnsworth, Jennifer Hill (Shirley Strangis' daughter), Clyde Kidd, Rebecca Lacourse, Linda Madden, Carl Manoogian (George's son), James McGunnigal (Pat Illsley's Father), Nicky McNally (Shirley Strangis' grandson), David Milton, Joyce Morse (Lisa Sparling's Mother), Michelle Purssell, Fernanda Quimby, Hannah Ramos (Sandra Hill's grand-niece), Luane Rich, David Ritchie (nephew of Donna Hefler), Linda Ritchie (sister of Donna Hefler), Monica Schmick (friend of Lily Radau), Poppy (Howard) Sennett, Kari Shaeffer (niece of Luanne Cockshaw), Fran Shaw (mother of Stephen Shaw), Norm Shippee, George Sparling (Jay's cousin), Kevin Vogt, and Henry White.

For those in the military, especially:

Scott Allen, Kathleen Hamilton, Michael J. Harris, Andrew Johnson, Jeff Kennedy, Alex (Pasha) Ozelius, Major Steven Simmons, Derek Stanley and Bradford Townsend.

Bereavement:

We also pray for Martha Binda on the passing of her husband Bob this week. Cards may be sent to Martha at 8 Mill House Avenue, Randolph, MA 02368.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun. 2/17

8:00am Adult Bell Ringers
9:55am Worship
11:15am Junior Ringers
11:15am Youth Choir
11:30am New Members Class
11:50am Confirmation Class

Mon. 2/18

Office Closed
9 - 4 WOVOS

Tue. 2/19

9 - 4 WOVOS
1:00pm Quilt Guild
6:30pm BIC Meeting

Wed. 2/20

9 - 4 WOVOS
10:00am Bible Study
6:00pm Dinner
6:30pm BIC Meeting
6:45pm Adult Choir

Thur. 2/21

9 - 4 WOVOS
6:30pm BIC Meeting
7:00pm Council Meeting

Fri. 2/22

9 - 4 WOVOS
3:00pm WOVOS Concert

Sat. 2/23

10:00am Memorial Service for Priscilla Shaw

Sun. 2/24

8:00am Adult Bell Ringers
9:55am Worship
11:15am Junior Ringers
11:15am Youth Choir
12:00pm Senior & Junior Youth Group (Cooking w/Steve)



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Welcome!