



**Christ Congregational Church**  
**United Church of Christ**  
***Creating Beloved Community***

9:55 a.m.

Pentecost

June 9, 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 throughout the service. 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

Barry Shelley, Vice Moderator

A READING FOR TWO VOICES

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'On Pentecost They Gathered'

No. 237

CALL TO WORSHIP

Serenity Young-Ferguson

Even after the resurrection, when the disciples  
were weighed down with worry,

**Jesus assured them that they were not alone:**

**"The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send  
in my name, will teach you everything,  
and remind you of all that I have said to you."**

Even after the resurrection, when the disciples  
were burdened by their fears,

**Jesus calmed their troubled hearts:**

**"Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
and do not let them be afraid."**

Even after the resurrection, when we struggle  
with our faith,

**Jesus blesses us with comfort and hope:**

**"Peace I leave with you; my peace  
I give to you."**

Especially after the resurrection, when our souls  
are dry and barren,

**the Holy Spirit blows through our lives,  
bringing us new life. Alleluia!**

INTROIT

'Seek and You Shall Find'

Evelyn D. Haettenschwiler,  
arr. B. Boertje

GATHERING PRAYER

Jessica Gross

\*RECEIVING AND SHARING GOD'S LOVE

*(by handshake, embrace, or with hands folded)*

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*GLORIA

'Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee' verse 1

No. 2

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;

hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive our fear and doubt away;

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: Confirmation

Rev. Patricia Hayes

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Angeliza Campbell

OFFERTORY

'God's Gonna Set this World on Fire'

arr. Moses Hogan and Edwin B. Hogan

God's gonna set this world on fire one of these days, Hallelujah!

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table Hallelujah!

I'm gonna eat and never get hungry, yes, yes, yes, Hallelujah!

I'm gonna drink and never get thirsty, Hallelujah!

\*DOXOLOGY

'Give Thanks'

No. 528

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.  
And now let the weak say "I am strong"; let the poor say "I am rich"  
Because of what the Lord has done for us  
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. Give thanks!

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Connor Nocivelli

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 2:1-21

Gini Hathaway

ANTHEM

'Send Down Your Spirit Lord'

Don Besig

Send Down Your Spirit, Lord. Fill us with the pow'r of Your Holy Word. When we start to wander and begin to stray, when we're feeling lonely and we lose our way, send down your Spirit, Lord, when temptation calls and we start to fall, help us turn to heaven up above.

O precious Lord, send down Your Love. Touch us with Your grace forevermore. When we hear a cry and want to lend a hand, when we try to help and need to understand, when there's something wrong and hope is almost gone, help us know the future will be bright.

O precious Lord, send down your light. Send down your light, O Lord. You need to help us make it shine through all the world. Send down your love, O Lord. Send down Your Spirit, Lord.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

John 14:8-17

Sawyer Young-Ferguson & Jayce Exell

REFLECTIONS

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Being confirmed today are:

Angeliza Campbell, Jayce Exell, Jessica Gross, Connor Nocivelli,  
Sawyer Young-Ferguson, Serenity Young-Ferguson

PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMANDS

Jan Howard

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE (Romans 10:8-10)

## QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Do you renounce the powers of evil, and desire the freedom of new life in Christ?

Candidates: **I do.**

Do you promise to be Christ's disciple, follow Christ's way, resist evil and oppression, and witness to Christ's work and word?

Candidates: **I do.**

Do you promise, according to the grace given you, to be a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ, celebrating his presence and furthering his mission in all the world?

Candidates: **I do.**

Do you promise to participate in the life and mission of this family of God's people, sharing regularly in the worship of God, and enlisting in the work of this congregation as it services this community and the world?

Candidates: **I do.**

*\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (together)*

**We believe that God's compassion fills the earth.**

**We believe that the way of Jesus is a way of peace.**

**We believe that the Holy Spirit works in the world,  
calling all people to justice, mercy and truth.**

**We believe that all creatures were created for joy,  
and that in this life we are meant to enjoy God's glory.**

**We know that human beings wreak havoc in this world,  
but we believe that violence, sin, and death  
will not prevail, but will be overcome  
by the power of God's love in Christ.**

**Called to befriend the stranger, heal the sick,  
and attend to the cry of the poor,**

**we believe that on the last day we shall be judged only on love.**

**We believe. God, help our unbelief. Amen.**

\*Hymn

'Spirit of the Living God'

No. 259

ACT OF CONFIRMATION

PRAYER OF CONFIRMATION

## RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP

By your Baptism you were made one with us in the body of Christ, the Church. You have confirmed your faith and promised to participate in the worship of God, and the work of this congregation as it serves this community and the world. The congregation will now stand and declare its promises and hopes to you.

**\*Congregation: Angeliza, Connor, Jayce, Jessica, Sawyer and Serenity, we welcome you with joy as partners in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love, and as witnesses of our risen Lord and Savior.**

CHANCEL RINGERS            'When the Saints Go Marching In'            Traditional Spiritual  
(Doug Anderson, Carol Bradford, Bill Cockshaw, Murray Kidd, Jillian Larson, Leo Larson, Leigh-Ann Larson, Liz Vann)

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### THE COMMUNION PRAYER

(This is a prayer where we call everyone to come to the table of thanksgiving and love)  
God be with you

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God....

Therefore, with all who love and serve you in heaven and on earth, we raise our voices:

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system has a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "San - to, san - to, san - to. ¡Mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra! Mi Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. My heart, my heart a - dores you! My". The second system continues the lyrics: "co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: ¡San - to e - res Señ - or! heart knows how to say to you: Ho - ly are you, Lord!". Chord symbols (C, G7, Am, F, G) are written above the treble staff, and the bass staff contains a simple bass line.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (*remembering the story of Jesus as he blessed the bread and juice*)

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (*praying for the Holy Spirit to bless the bread and juice*)

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*(We will receive communion today coming forward. Our table is open to all. Gluten free wafers are available; the chalice contains grape juice. If you cannot easily come forward, please signal to a deacon – we will be happy to come to you)*

COMMUNION MUSIC                      ‘You Satisfy the Hungry Heart’

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

You have given yourself to us, Lord.

**Now we give ourselves to others.**

Your love has made us a new people.

**As a people of love we will serve you with joy.**

Your glory has filled our hearts.

**Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.**

\*HYMN    ‘Ours the Journey’    No. 458

\*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 we 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

## **THIS IS THE LAST WEDNESDAY DINNER FOR THE SUMMER: 6:00PM**

This week we will be having Hamburgers and Hot Dogs. Please sign up at the information counter. All invited!! Cost \$5.00 or pay what you can.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

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

Steve & Carolyn Bennett, Nancy Davis, Carole Duhamel, Louise Duhamel, David & Marilyn Fairbanks, Russ Gillpatrick, Janet Hodnett, Edie Liolios, Ruth Melanson, Geneva Prince, Arthur Sawyer, Barbara Smith, and Anna Thomas.

#### **And for those who are ill or need extra prayer:**

Carol Beffert-Banks, Brian Benson (nephew of Sandra Hill), Bob Brown (Luanne Cockshaw's friend), Jean Cappeillo, Luke Creedon, Pat DelSignore (Mary Poole's sister), 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, Rev. Fred Hayes, Nelda Hayes, Al Hefler, Jennifer Hill (Shirley Strangis' daughter), Lorraine Kent (Mary Poole's cousin), Clyde Kidd, Rebecca Lacourse, Linda Madden, Ken Maloof, Carl Manoogian (George's son), James McGunnigal (Pat Illsley's Father), Nancy McGunnigal (Pat Illsley's sister), Nicky McNally (Shirley Strangis' grandson), Sandy Peterson Nuzum (friend of Barbara Moody), Mary Poole, Michelle Pursell, Fernanda Quimby, Hannah Ramos (Sandra Hill's grand-niece), Luane Rich, David Ritchie (nephew of Donna Hefler), Linda Ritchie (sister of Donna Hefler), Akiko Sato (friend of Sylvia Berry), Monica Schmick (friend of Lily Radau), Poppy (Howard) Sennett, Linda Holland Simpson (sister of Barbara Holland Moody), George Sparling (Jay's cousin), Shirley Strangis, Kevin Vogt, Henry White and Lois Yingling (Bill Cockshaw's mom).

#### **For those in the military, especially:**

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

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sun. 6/9**

Confirmation-Pentecost Sunday

8:00am Adult Bell Ringers

9:55am Worship

11:30am BIC Education Meeting in lower wing

Confirmation Family Gathering after worship in upper wing

**Mon. 6/10**

Office Closed

7:30pm Missions Meeting

**Tue. 6/11**

9:30am Craft Group

12:00pm Lifetouch (Update)

6:00pm Transition Team

7:00pm Fiber Fellowship



OPEN TODAY  
HALF PRICE SALE!

**Wed. 6/12**

10:00am Bible Study

12:15pm Midday Organ Concert

6:00pm Last Dinner (Until Fall)

6:30pm BIC Meeting

**Thur. 6/13**

6:00pm CE Committee

6:30pm BIC Meeting

6:00pm Finance & Property

**Sun. 6/16**

9:55am Worship

Baccalaureate Sunday



**CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

1350 Pleasant St., Brockton, MA 02301-2840

Tel: 508-586-3022 Fax: 508-583-7156

Web: [brocktonucc.org](http://brocktonucc.org) Email: [office@brocktonucc.org](mailto:office@brocktonucc.org)

**Welcome!**