



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

9:55 a.m.

September 29, 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 baptism, then may be excused to Sunday School. There is nursery care available throughout the service, and a crying room at the back of the sanctuary for those who become inconsolable. Additionally, for a quieter space, audio of the service is in the library, just outside the sanctuary.

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

Sylvia Berry, Organist

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Barry Shelley, Moderator

\*HYMN

'Woke Up This Morning'

No. 623

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 91*)

Ann-Marie Illsley

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**They will say of the Lord, "God is my refuge  
and fortress, the one in whom we trust."**

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the refuge of God's wings.

**They will not fear the terror of the night  
nor the arrow that flies by day.**

"Those who love me, I will deliver," says the Lord.

**O Lord, we call to you now.**

**Show us your salvation.**

Introit

'Let Everything that Hath Breath'

Jeffrey L. Ames

GATHERING PRAYER

A WORD: Bible

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

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Being baptized today: Charley Milley Blankenburg, daughter of Jacqueline and Erich Blankenburg, born on May 2, 2019.



### QUESTIONS FOR BAPTISM

Do you desire for your child to be baptized? **We 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? **We do**

\*CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT (*please rise*)

Do you who witness and celebrate this sacrament promise your love, support, and care to this child about to be baptized, as she lives and grows in Christ? **We do**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*remain standing*)

Pastor: Let us unite with the church in all times and places in confessing our faith in the triune God. Do you believe in God?

**PEOPLE: I believe in God.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**PEOPLE: I believe in Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**PEOPLE: I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

### BAPTISMAL PRAYER

Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### ACT OF BAPTISM

PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED (*in unison*)

**We give you thanks Holy God, mother and father of all the faithful, for this baby who is today washed in the water of Baptism. Embrace us all as sons and daughters in the one household of your love. Grant us grace to receive, value, love, support, nurture and befriend this new member of the body of Christ.**

\*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

**People: and also with you**

\*GLORIA 'Let the Whole Creation Cry' vs 1 No. 21  
Let the whole creation cry, Alleluia!  
Glory be to God on high! Alleluia!  
Sun and moon lift up your voice, Alleluia!  
Night and stars, in God rejoice, Alleluia!

WITNESS Katrina Clinton

PSALM 91:1-6, 14-16 Lay Reader: Gini Hathaway

HYMN 'On Eagle's Wings' No. 77  
(*please join in on the chorus*)

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL Luke 16: 19-31

SERMON Rev. Patricia Hayes

ANTHEM 'Give Us a Pure Heart' Christopher Willcock  
Jessica Tasucu-Trainor, soloist

Give us a pure heart that we may see you; give us a humble heart that we may hear you; give us a heart of love that we may serve you; give us a heart of faith that we may live in you.

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.**

OFFERTORY 'The Lord is Good' Christopher Tye  
(c.1500-1572)

The Lord is good! His love will raise a joyful harvest song; Sing "He is good!" and let His praise from every tongue be heard.

The Lord is good! He gives us bread: He gives His children more: The Lord is good!  
By Him there souls with grace are fed, a rich and endless store.

\*DOXOLOGY 'Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow' No. 50  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose  
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN

'O God Our Help in Ages Past'

No. 67

\*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

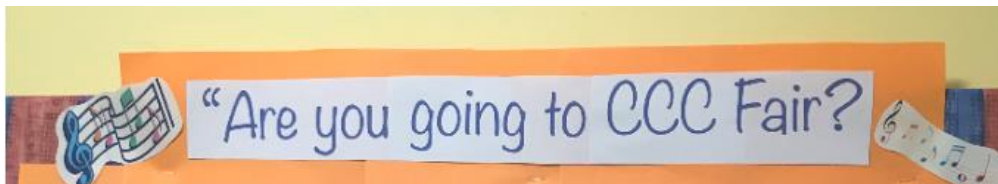
*(please be seated for the closing music)*

CLOSING MUSIC

**Participating in today's service are:**

Rev. Patricia Hayes, Senior Minister  
Ann-Marie Illsley, Acting Associate Minister  
Murray Kidd, Music Director  
Sylvia Berry, Organist  
David Wilcox, Sign Language  
Loren Stott, Sign Language

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 snack, and hope that you will return next week.



Are you going to CCC fair  
Sparkly, staged, glows merry, sublime.  
Remember the date, it's November Nine,  
Bring us your stuff, and all will be fine.  
There's stuff in your attic, so please bring it in  
By a truck, a pallet, or bin  
Bring us old clothes, your dishes and drapes  
And please just remember, no VHS tapes

**Preaching schedule!**

RP on vacation October 1<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> with **Rev. Jane MacIntyre** preaching on **October 6<sup>th</sup>**.

**In case of pastoral emergency, call the church office during business hours (508)586-3022**

**After hours call Jeff Illsley(508)954-9390 or Barry Shelley (857)210-3152**

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**WEDNESDAY DINNERS: 6:00PM**

This week we will be having Beef Stroganoff and Noodles with a Salad Bar. Sign-up at the information counter. We are trying to better cover costs, so sign-ups become more important (so we don't prepare for too many)... and ask that you consider the donation to be \$7-10, more if you are taking take-out. Family cap of \$25, and as always, pay what you can and eat even if you really can't contribute. For September we will try having someone taking credit/debit card payments and checks to see if that helps folks....cash is always good too.

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**Save the Date!**  
**October 19, 2019**

**Please join the Pastoral Transition Team, the Search Committee, and Rev. Susan Townsley (our consultant) for an all-day all-Church Retreat to begin a visioning process. Your presence, your voice, and your opinions are vital to our congregation during this time of pastoral transition. Sign-up at website or the information counter.**

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**October 13th**  
**11:45AM**

**The Blessing of the Pets**

## BREAD FOR THE WORLD SUNDAY 2019

We Will take a special collection on October 6<sup>th</sup>

*“And all ate and were filled.”* — Luke 9:17a

On Bread for the World Sunday, we join others in offering prayers for those who suffer from hunger in our own country and abroad — and for our decision makers who can change the policies and conditions that allow hunger to persist.

Our prayers are especially urgent at this time. In the United States, one in six children faces the threat of hunger. Worldwide, nearly one in four children endures the lifelong sentence of stunting because of chronic malnutrition.

In response to these urgent needs, we join with others in urging our nation’s leaders to support measures that improve nutrition for mothers and children. Together, we can help give all children the chance to grow and thrive.

Throughout Luke’s Gospel — and especially in the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10-17) — Jesus invites us to partake of the feast of God’s abundance. Trusting that God, our creator, provides more than enough for all those in need, we rededicate ourselves to working together to make sure that all share in this abundance.



Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation’s decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. Our work to change the conditions and policies that allow hunger to persist is supported by all major church bodies and sustained by generous contributions from individuals, families, and congregations.

# HARVEST FAIR



2019



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9 am to 2 pm

Christ Congregational Church

1350 PLEASANT ST, BROCKTON

Check out all our various “Stores” at the Fair, in the October Courier

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

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

Steve & Carolyn Bennett, Nancy Davis, Carole Duhamel, Louise Duhamel, 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:**

Lindsay Alden, Carol Beffert-Banks, Brian Benson (nephew of Sandra Hill), Bob Brown (Luanne Cockshaw's friend), Carole Clark, Luke Creedon, Frank DePaola (Denise Cahill's brother-in-law), Bobby Dornan (friend of Janet Hodnett), Denise Duhamel (granddaughter of Carole), Mark Duhamel (Carole's son), Lucy Guarnieri (cousin of Elizabeth Vann), Dan Harrigan (Cara's husband), Stephanie Hathaway, Rev. Fred Hayes, Tatum Hayes & Family (Jay Sparling's friends), Dick Hill, Gayle Howard (Matt's cousin), Kayleigh Lopez (Lisa Sparling's niece), Carl Manoogian (George's son), Sandy Peterson Nuzum (friend of Barbara Moody), Jaymie O'Connor (friend of Sarah Sparling), Mary Poole, Hannah Ramos (Sandra Hill's grand-niece), Luane Rich, George Sparling (Jay's cousin), Rich Vick, Henry White and Norma Williams.

### **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. 9/29**

8:00pm Adult Ringers  
9:55am Worship  
11:15am Youth Choir  
11:15am Junior Ringers  
12:00om Confirmation Orientation

**Tue. 10/1**

9:30am Craft Group  
11:30pm Organ Completion Committee Meeting  
7:00pm Christian Education Committee Meeting

**Wed. 10/2**

10:00am Bible Study  
6:00pm Dinner  
6:45pm Adult Choir

**Thur. 10/3**

6:30pm BIC Meeting  
7:00pm Deacons Committee Meeting  
7:00pm Vitality Committee Meeting

**Sun. 10/6**

8:00am Adult Ringers  
9:55am Worship  
11:15am Youth Choir  
11:30am Parents Meeting

**Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 9 - 2**



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