

Christ Congregational Church United Church of Christ Creating Beloved Community

9:55 a.m. October 13, 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 until the second Hymn. 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

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'How Great Thou Art'

No. 33

GATHERING PRAYER

INTROIT 'Kum ba yah' Traditional Spiritual

PSALM 66:1-2 Rev. Fred Hayes

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: Gratitude

HYMN 'Clap Your Hands' No. 38

- 1) Clap your hands, all you people; shout unto God with a voice of triumph!
- 2) Clap your hands, all you people; shout unto God with a voice of praise!
- 3) Hosanna! Hosanna!

Shout unto God with a voice of triumph!

Praise God! Praise God! Shout unto God with a voice of praise!

(the children may be excused to their classes following the round)



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

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (in unison)

Patient Lord, you know how easy it is for us to whine and complain bitterly about all those things in our lives that are difficult.

We focus on them as though they were the only things that ever happened to us, forgetting the many blessings that you have given to us and the opportunities you give us to serve you.

We feel alienated--you call us beloved.

We feel lost--you seek us.

We feel broken and battered--your love is a healing balm.

Forgive us when we forget those things.

Help us to always look to you for our healing and to return thanks to you by praise and serving others in your name.

For we offer this prayer of confession of our failures and gratitude for your blessings. AMEN.

KYRIE 'Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult' vs 1 No. 337
Jesus calls us o'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying "Christian, follow me."

*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.

*GLORIA 'For the Beauty of the Earth' vs 1 No. 56 For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Lay Reader: Leigh-Ann Larson

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7

GOSPEL READING Luke 17:11-19

SERMON Rev. Patricia Hayes



ANTHEM/HYMN 'God Whose Giving Knows No Ending' Setting by Richard Hillert (Congregation sings verse 1 & 3)



MORNING PRAYERS

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

OFFERTORY 'Praise to the Lord' Erneurten Gesangbuch (Text can be found at #25 in hymnal)

*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 'All Things Bright and Beautiful' No. 61

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

(please be seated for the closing music)
CLOSING MUSIC
Excerpt from
Sonata in G minor, Op. 34, No. 2 - Finale
Muzio Clementi (1752-1832)

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



THE FLOWERS TODAY are in loving memory of Kevin Frison whose memorial service was here yesterday. Our prayers are with Brian.

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

Baked goods and candy, and anything sweet Homemade fudge, some cupcakes, and treats. We need volunteers, there's so much to do, Please sign-up to help, because we need you.



PRAYER (St. Francis' Prayer for All Created Things)

God created us and placed us on the earth to be stewards of all living things, therefore let us proclaim the glory of our Creator, saying:

O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; you create the animals and give us the ability to train them to help us in our work.

O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; for the sake of our comfort you give us domestic animals as companions.

O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; you care for us even as you care for the birds of the air.

O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Blessed are you, O Lord of the Universe; you offered your Son to us as the passover lamb and in him willed that we should be called your children.

O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands.

Bless, O Lord, this (these) creature(s), and fill our hearts with thanksgiving for its (their) being.

O God, how wonderful are the works of your hands. Amen.

WEDNESDAY DINNERS: 6:00PM

This week we will be having Baked Penne & Meatballs with a Caesar Salad. Please sign-up at the information counter. Suggested donation of \$7 - \$10 (family cap \$25), All invited!

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), Charley Milley Blankenburg, Bob Brown (Luanne Cockshaw's friend), Carole Clark, Luanne Cockshaw, 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), Heidi Kilpatrick (Barbara Moody's friend), Kayleigh Lopez (Lisa Sparling's niece), Sheila Klecha, 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, Norma Williams and Sawyer Young-Ferguson.

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.

Bereavement:

We pray for the family of Janet Haydostian (George Manoogian's cousin)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun. 10/13

8:00am Adult Ringers

9:55am Worship

11:15am Junior Ringers

11:30am Music Committee Meeting

Tue. 10/15

9:30am Craft Group

1:00pm Quilt Guild

7:00pm Search Committee Meeting

Wed. 10/16

10:00am Bible Study

12:15pm Midday Music Organ Concert w/Gigi Mitchell-Velasco

6:00pm Dinner

6:45pm Adult Choir

Thur. 10/17

6:30pm BIC Meeting

7:00pm Council Meeting

Sat. 10/19

9:00am - 3:00pm All Church Visioning Retreat

Sun. 10/20

8:00am Adult Ringers

9:55am Worship

11:15am Junior Ringers

11:15am Youth Choir

3:00pm Brockton Symphony Fall Concert

(We have a few complimentary Symphony tickets)



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Welcome!