



Christ Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Creating Beloved Community
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

9:55 a.m.

February 16, 2020

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 Word with The Children, then may be excused to their program. There is nursery care available throughout the service, and a crying room for those who become inconsolable.

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

Sylvia Berry, Organist

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Barry Shelley, Moderator

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'All Are Welcome'

(See Insert)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 1:1-3, New Century Version*)

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.

INTROIT

'I Want Jesus to Walk with Me'

Trad. Spiritual,
arr. J. Jefferson Cleveland and Verolga Nix

GATHERING PRAYER

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: Cool

SINGING THE CHILDREN OUT

'I've Got Joy Like a Fountain'

No. 530



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

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

‘Blessed Quietness’

No. 267

Blessed quietness, holy quietness, what assurance in my soul.
On the stormy sea, Jesus speaks to me, and the billows cease to roll.

*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

‘His Eye is One the Sparrow’ verse 1

No. 82

Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come, why should my heart be lonely and long for heav’n and home, when Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He: God’s eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me. God’s eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me.

I sing because I’m happy. I sing because I’m free, for God’s eye is on the sparrow, and I know God watches me.

THE FIRST READING

Sirach 15:15-20

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS, CHAPTER 119:1-8

ANTHEM

‘Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child’

Trad. Spiritual,
arr. Jay Althouse

Karl Koza, soloist

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child, a long way from home.

Sometimes I feel like I’m almost gone, a long way from home.

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:21-37

SERMON

Rev. Jane MacIntyre

HYMN

‘I Would Be True’

No. 608

MORNING PRAYERS

Serving Today:
Rev. Jane MacIntyre
Ann-Marie Illsley, Acting Associate Minister
Murray Kidd, Music Director
Sylvia Berry, Organist
David Wilcox, Sign Language
Loren Stott, Sign Language
Lorraine Wilcox, Hospitality Team Leader

All are invited to coffee and refreshments in the fellowship hall downstairs following the service. If you are visiting, we hope that you will return another week, and participate in any and all events, classes, and groups that are listed.

Music Committee's **BAKE SALE** in Fellowship Hall **TODAY!**



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

Congregational Meeting: TODAY following worship!

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Christ Congregational Church, UCC, Brockton, MA
Special Church Meeting Warrant
February 16, 2020

In accordance with Article XIII, Church Meetings, Sec. 2 of the Christ Congregational Church, UCC, Brockton, MA Bylaws (amended on November 20, 2016); a **Special Meeting** of the membership has been called for **Sunday, February 16, 2020 (snow date: February 23, 2020)**, immediately following the 9:55AM Worship Service in the sanctuary at 1350 Pleasant Street, Brockton, MA to act on the following articles:

Article I To call the meeting to order

Article II To hear and act on the proposal of the Finance and Property committee, approved by Council, to clean up the parsonage and sell it as is.

Article III To hear and act upon any other business that may properly come before the membership.

Article IV To ratify, either individually or jointly, any action taken by the membership at this meeting in accordance with Article XIII, Section 3C of the church bylaws.

Article V To adjourn the Annual Church Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberlee Cords, Clerk

WEDNESDAY DINNERS: 6:00PM

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



THIS WEEK!!
WINTER WOVOS
February 17th - 21st
9:00am to 4:00pm
Register @ wovos.org

UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS:

Feb. 16th: Off-Site Escape Room Event

Feb. 19th: Dinner & National Youth Event Meeting

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CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 29th from 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Come join us for a fun family night of games and activities. There will be appetizers and snacks!

All Welcome!



Saturdays, February 29, 2020 – April 4, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Adult Education Lenten Series 2020

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Steve & Carolyn Bennett, 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:

Kathy Alden, Lindsay Alden, Nancy Ames (Bob Cutting's sister-in-law), Priscilla Bailey, Carol Beffert-Banks, Brian Benson (nephew of Sandra Hill), Linda Berry (Sylvia's mother), Carole Clark, Nancy Clark (Carole's daughter), Luke Creedon, 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), Gayle Howard (Matt's cousin), Heidi Kilpatrick (Barbara Moody's friend), Sheila Klecha, Patty Linder (friend of Denise Cahill), Kayleigh Lopez (Lisa Sparling's niece), Carl Manoogian (George's son), Linley Menard, Patricia Merianos (Dot Quimby's daughter), Sandy Peterson Nuzum (friend of Barbara Moody), Jaymie O'Connor (friend of Sarah Sparling), Hannah Ramos (Sandra Hill's grand-niece), Luane Rich, Ed Selman (Lauren Selman's father), George Sparling (Jay's cousin), 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.

Bereavement:

We pray for the families of Richard (Dick) Hill, Rick Vick Sr., and Bob Brown (friend of Luanne Cockshaw).

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun. 2/16

8:00am Adult Ringers
9:55am Worship
Congregational Meeting after worship
11:30am Youth Choir
12:00am Senior/Junior Youth Group Event

Mon. 2/17

WOVOS 9-4

Tue. 2/18

WOVOS 9-4
1:00am Quilt Guild

Wed. 2/19

WOVOS 9-4
10:00am Bible Study
1:30pm Afternoon Bells
6:00pm Dinner
6:00pm Senior/Junior Dinner and Meeting
6:00pm BIC Meeting
6:45pm Adult Choir

Thur. 2/20

WOVOS 9-4
7:00pm Council Meeting

Fri. 2/21

WOVOS 9-4
3:00pm WOVOS Concert

Sun. 2/23

8:00am Adult Ringer
9:55am Worship
11:15am Youth Choir
11:15am Junior Ringers
11:40am Confirmation Class



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Welcome!