



**CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BROCKTON, MA



June 20, 2021

9:55 am

Welcome to worship! Whether you are here with us in person or joining us online we welcome you to worship. Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

## **PRELUDE**

## **RINGING OF THE CHIMES**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Barry Shelley

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Let us worship God...

**All: as children, with wonder and awe.**

Leader: Let us worship God...

**All: as youth with questions and eager hearts.**

Leader: Let us worship God...

**All: as adults with gratitude and praise.**

Leader: Let us worship God...

**All: as elders with wisdom and hope.**

Leader: Let the Body of Christ sing praises to God, from whom all blessings flow.

**All: And let us worship God!**

## **OPENING PRAYER**

## **HYMN**

*(scroll down to music)*

'Touch the Earth Lightly'

No. 693

## **A TIME FOR ALL AGES**

## **PRESENTATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

## **HYMN**

*(scroll down to music)*

'I've Got Peace Like A River'

No. 530

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Loving God, you command us to love you and to love our neighbors wholeheartedly. This is a lifelong struggle for us. As we confess our inability to follow this commandment, please help us to find creative ways that we might grow in our capacity to love you and love others. We come to you in silent confession of our failures to love as you do.

## WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

## SCRIPTURE

### Luke 10:27

He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

## HOMILY

Pastor Ann-Marie Illsley

## HYMN

'They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love'

No. 494

*(scroll down to music)*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: The Lord our God is one:

Response: **We will love with all our heart, all our soul, all our strength.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father (Creator) 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.**

## CALL FOR OFFERINGS

O God, you have offered unique gifts to each one of us. Teach us to celebrate and share those gifts so that we may create communities of graciousness and love. Through Jesus, we are reminded of the difference that an individual contribution can make. Let us offer our gifts generously for the service of all.

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## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## RECOGNITION OF VOLUNTEERS

### \*HYMN

'Siyahamba'

No. 442

1. We are marching...
2. We are clapping...
3. We are dancing...

*You are invited to stand as you are able and join with the children and youth  
in motions for each verse*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

### Participating in Today's Worship Service:

The Children and Youth of our congregation, Worship Leaders  
Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco, Senior Pastor  
Ann-Marie Illsley, Associate Pastor  
Sylvia Berry, Accompanist  
Alisa Cassola, Soloist  
David Wilcox, ASL Interpreter

### CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

**Angeliza Campbell** (Brockton High School)  
**Jessica Gross** (Brockton High School)  
**Jenna Hayes** (Brockton High School)  
(great granddaughter of Glenna Paananen)  
**Jeffrey Illsley Jr.** (St. Anselms College - BA Politics)  
**David Jones** (Oliver Ames High School)  
**Jillian MacMullen** (Rising Tide High School Plymouth)  
(granddaughter of Sharron MacMullen)  
**Bradley Mitchell** (Oliver Ames High School)  
**Serenity Young-Ferguson** (Brockton High School)

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## Touch the Earth Lightly

Unison

1. Touch the earth light - ly, use the earth  
 \*2. We who en - dan - ger, who cre - ate  
 3. Let there be green - ing, birth from the  
 4. God of all liv - ing, God of all

gen - tly, nour - ish the life of the  
 hun - ger, a - gents of death for all  
 burn - ing, wa - ter that bless - es and  
 lov - ing, God of the seed - ling, the

world in our care: gift of great won -  
 crea - tures that live, we who would fos -  
 air that is sweet, health in God's gar -  
 snow and the sun, teach us, de - flect

der, ours to sur - ren - der, trust for the  
 ter clouds of dis - as - ter— God of our  
 den, hope in God's chil - dren, re - gen - er -  
 us, Christ re - con - nect us, us - ing us

\* Alternate key signature and accidentals: for st. 2 only

WORDS: Shirley Erena Murray, 1991  
 MUSIC: Colin Gibson, 1992

TENDERNESS  
 35.10D

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chil - dren to - mor - row will bear.  
 plan - et, fore - stall and for - give!  
 a - tion that peace will com - plete.  
 gen - tly, and mak - ing us one.

# I've Got Peace Like a River

530

1. I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a  
 2. I've got joy like a foun-tain, I've got joy like a  
 3. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an

riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my  
 foun-tain, I've got joy like a foun-tain in my  
 o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

soul. I've got riv - er in my soul.  
 soul. I've got foun-tain in my soul.  
 soul. I've got o - cean in my soul.

WORDS: African-American spiritual  
 MUSIC: African-American spiritual

PEACE LIKE A RIVER  
 77.10

# 494 They'll Know We Are Christians

Guitar capo: 1; play Em

Unison Em

1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord,  
 2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand,  
 3. We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side,  
 4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

Am Em

we are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord,  
 we will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand,  
 we will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side,  
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

Am Em

and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
 and we'll guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's pride:  
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain C G C G Em Am

And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love,

WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

ST. BRENDAN'S  
 76.76.86 w. refrain

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Em Am Bm Em

yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

# We Are Walking

(Siyahamba/Caminando)

We are walk ing\* in the light of God, we are  
 Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -  
 Ca - mi - nan - do en la luz de Dios, ca - mi -

walk - ing in the light of God. We are  
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos. Si - ya -  
 nan - do en la luz de Dios. Ca - mi -

of God we are  
 kwen - khos' si - ya  
 de Dios ca - mi

walk - ing in the light of the light of God. We are  
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya  
 nan - do en la luz de la luz de Dios. Ca - mi -

of God  
 kwen - khos'  
 de Dios

\* marching/singing/dancing/praying

WORDS and MUSIC: South Africa (20th century)

SIYAHAMBA  
 Irr.

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walk - ing We are  
 ham - ba Si - ya  
 nan - do Ca - mi

walk - ing, walk - ing, we are walk - ing, walk - ing, we are  
 ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya -  
 nan - do va - mos, ca - mi - nan - do va - mos, ca - mi -

walk - ing in the light of God.  
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos.  
 nan - do en la luz de Dios.