



CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BROCKTON, MA



July 10, 2022

9:55 am

AN ASTERISK IN THE BULLETIN INDICATES THAT ALL FOR WHOM IT IS COMFORTABLE SHOULD RISE FOR THAT PART OF THE SERVICE

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sue Koza

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Leader: God calls us as we are, for God made us;

People: God leads us into the way of truth and righteousness.

Leader: Christ calls us where we are, to do what we are made to do;

People: Christ calls us to follow, to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Leader: The Spirit calls us to use our God-given gifts;

People: The Spirit moves us to practice kindness and compassion.

Leader: Come, for God is calling you.

All: Let us enter this time of worship, to be called, to be sent, and to serve. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER²

HYMN

'Restless Weaver'

No. 658

A TIME FOR ALL AGES

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE³ (in unison)

Loving Christ, we confess that the arc of the universe is long and bends towards justice, but it seems to go on forever. We wait with hope, but our hopes are dimming in the shadow of oppression. The bleakness at times is overwhelming. God of Light and Love, shine through us and remind us to be the living hope to one another. When the way of empire shrouds us, grant us the courage to cast off the veil of the world and to live into Your way, Your truth, and Your life. For You lived in defiance of empire without falling into the ways of the empire. You resisted evil through Your love and compassion and mercy. Call us to do the same, for in You we have the true life. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS³

SCRIPTURE**Luke 10:25-37**

A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to gain eternal life?" Jesus replied, "What is written in the Law? How do you interpret it?"

He responded, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself."

Jesus said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live."

But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied,

"A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day, he took two full days' worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, 'Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.'

What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?" Then the legal expert said, "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

SERMON

Rev. Ann-Marie Illsley

IMPROVISED MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Anton Faynberg

During this time, we invite you to take a moment for quiet reflection

PASTORAL PRAYER⁴**LORD'S PRAYER** (*in unison*)

Our Creator (Father) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kin-dom 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 Kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

'Heroes'

by Ann Reed

Sung by Emily Swisher-Rosa

CALL FOR OFFERINGS⁵

Many gifts have been sewn into our lives, the seeds of God's generosity and love for the world. We are stewards of them, and are called by the gospel of Christ to spread them abroad, trusting in God's care to nurture and bring forth the harvest of righteousness. Let us bring forth the fruits of God's creative, loving care from the gardens of our lives.

OFFERTORY
Sung by Emily & Levi Swisher-Rosa

'Lean On Me'

by Bill Withers

***DOXOLOGY**

'My Tribute'

No. 39

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION⁵**

***HYMN**

'I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me'

No. 614

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

¹Welton-Mitchell, Rev. Mindi. "Worship Resources for July 14th, 2019—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost" *Rev-o-lution*, accessed 5 July 2022, <http://rev-o-lution.org/archives/>.

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⁴"Prayer of the People: The Good Samaritan" *re:Worship*, accessed 5 July 2022, <http://rev-o-lution.org/worship-resources-for-july-10-2022-fifth-sunday-after-pentecost/>.

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YOU'RE INVITED!
TO:
Wednesday Bible Study
10:00 AM each Wednesday
On Zoom

For more details, or to get the Zoom link, contact:
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Musical Meditation
With Anton Faynberg

Every Wednesday at 3:30 PM
In the sanctuary at Christ Congregational Church


Come for a meditative musical service that further reflects upon our readings and themes from the previous Sunday.

For more information please contact the church office.



ICE CREAM SOCIAL
July 17th, 2022 (after worship)

Join us as we get to know our friends from First Congregational UCC in Stoughton!



Join us on July 17th after worship to welcome and get to know our friends from First Congregational UCC in Stoughton! We have recently entered into conversations with the Stoughton church to talk about how we might integrate our ministries together, and a key part of that process is not only welcoming them to our place of worship - but it also involves getting to know these siblings in Christ just as well as we know one another. We are asking all of our members to please make every effort to join us on this day to show our friends from Stoughton that we are with them through this journey.

1. Rest - less Weav - er, ev - er spin - ring threads of jus - tice
 2. Where earth's frag - ile web is rav - eling help us mend each
 3. When our vio - lent lust for pow - er ends in lives a -
 4. Rest - less Weav - er, still con - ceiv - ing new life—now and

and sha - lom; dream-ing pat - terns of cre - a - tion
 bro - ken strand. Bless our ur - gent, bold en - deav - ors
 based and torn, from com - pass - ion's stur - dy fab - ric
 yet to be— bind - ing all your vast cre - a - tion

where all crea - tures find a home; gath - ering up life's var - ied
 cleans - ing wa - ter, air, and land. Through the Spir - it's in - spi -
 rash - ion hope and trust re - born. Where in - jus - tice rules as
 in one liv - ing tap - es - try: you have called us to be

fi - bers—ev - ery tex - ture, ev - ery hue: grant us your cre -
 ra - tion—of - fer - ing health where once was pain—strength - en us to
 ty - rant, give us cour - age, God, to dare live our dreams of
 weav - ers. Let your love guide all we do. With your Reign of

WORDS: O. I. Cricket Harrison, 1988, rev. 1993
 MUSIC: Attr. B. F. White, 1844; harm. Ronald A. Nelson, 1978

BEACH SPRING
 87.87D

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a - tive vis - ion. With us weave your world a - new.
 be the stew - ards of your world knit whole a - gain.
 trans - for - ma - tion. Make our lives in - car - nate prayer.
 Peace our pat - tern, we will weave your world a - new.

Live in Charity

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The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system covers the lyrics 'Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,'. The second system covers 'live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.' The piano accompaniment features chords and rhythmic patterns that support the vocal melody. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line: F, C, Dm, Bb, D, G, C in the first system; and F, C, Dm, Gm, C (with a triplet), F in the second system.

WORDS: Latin (9th century); tr. Taizé Community
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier (20th century)

UBI CARITAS
Irr.

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To God be the glo - ry, to God be the glo - ry,

to God be the glo - ry for the things you have done.

With his blood Christ has saved me; with your power you have raised me;

to God be the glo - ry for the things you have done.

WORDS and MUSIC: Andraé Crouch, 1971

MY TRIBUTE
Irr.

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614 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

With a backbeat G C G Am7 G

1. I'm gon-na live so God can use me
 (I'm gon-na live so) (God can

G7 C G7 C Am G C

use me,) an - y time (yes an - y time) and an - y - where (yes an - y -

G G C G B7

where) I'm gon-na live so God can use me
 (I'm gon-na live so)

Em C G A7 D7 G C G

an - y time (an - y time,) and an - y - where. (yes an - y - where).

2. I'm gonna work... 3. I'm gonna pray... 4. I'm gonna sing...

WORDS: African-American spiritual
 MUSIC: African-American spiritual; arr. Bill Thomas, 1994

I'M GONNA LIVE
 Irr.

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