



CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BROCKTON, MA



September 25, 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 'What Does the Lord Require of You' arr. Moon

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Sue Koza

CALL TO WORSHIP¹ Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco

Leader: We have come together as one.

People: One people, gathered in the name of the one God.

Leader: We will worship together as one.

People: One community, giving praise and honor to the Righteous One.

Leader: We are being empowered as one, *by One.*

People: One body and one Spirit, called to the hope of one calling...

Leader: One God, one faith, one baptism,

People: One divine parent of us all who is above all and through all and in all.

Leader: Now, in the name of the Three-in-One, we act as one.

People: One people, giving witness to the power of One.

OPENING PRAYER² Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco

***HYMN** 'Gather Us In' No. 284

A TIME FOR ALL AGES Rev. Ann-Marie Illsley

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE³ (in unison) Rev. Mary Perry

God of unity and love, place within each of us a spirit of hope and community. Have mercy upon us when we speak without love or act without humility. Cleanse us with the living water of your grace. Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness. Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love. Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE Rev. Mary Perry

Friends, the good news of the gospel is that God is with us - throughout the world and throughout eternity - and no matter where we go or no matter what we do we can't ever be separated from God's love. Thanks be to God for that. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Rev. Mary Perry

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13a

Therefore, as a prisoner for the Lord, I encourage you to live as people worthy of the call you received from God. Conduct yourselves with all humility, gentleness, and patience. Accept each other with love, and make an effort to preserve the unity of the Spirit with the peace that ties you together. You are one body and one spirit, just as God also called you in one hope. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all, who is over all, through all, and in all.

God has given his grace to each one of us measured out by the gift that is given by Christ.

He gave some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers. His purpose was to equip God's people for the work of serving and building up the body of Christ until we all reach the unity of faith and knowledge of God's Son.

SERMON

Rev. Patty Kogut

IMPROVISED MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Anton Faynberg

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

PASTORAL PRAYER⁴

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco

THE PRAYER OF JESUS *(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.

***HYMN**

'Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service'

No. 461

CALL FOR OFFERINGS

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco

www.brocktonucc.org/donate/

OFFERTORY

'Spirit Seeking Light and Beauty'

DOMHNACH TRIONOIDE

Carol Bradford, Soloist

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

'Thank You, Lord' *(Spiritual)*

No. 531

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(in unison)*

Rev. Mary Perry

Almighty God, we give you thanks for the blessings you have bestowed upon us. We give you thanks that you have invited us to your table and to your kin-dom. We offer these gifts as a portion of the fruit of our lives, asking that you bless them and multiply them. Use our gifts, and use us, to further extend your welcome into your realm of justice and grace. Amen.

***HYMN**

'Go Now In Peace'

No. 437

POSTLUDE

Participating in Today's Worship Service:

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco, Senior Pastor

Rev. Ann-Marie Illsley, Associate Pastor

Rev. Mary Perry, Guest Pastor

Rev. Patty Kogut, Guest Pastor

Murray Kidd, Music Director

Anton Faynberg, Organist/Pianist

Alisa Cassola, Soloist

David Wilcox, ASL Interpreter

¹Author, Unknown. "Call to Worship: Ephesians 4: 4-6." *Call to Worship: Ephesians 4: 4-6*, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/11/call-to-worship-ephesians-4-4-6.html>.

²Author, Unknown. "Opening Prayer: One in Christ." *Opening Prayer: One in Christ*, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/07/opening-prayer-one-in-christ.html>.

³Author, Unknown. *Confession: Ephesians 4: 1-16*, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/07/confession-ephesians-4-1-16.html>.

⁴Shuman, Thom. "Prayer of the Day: Ephesians 4: 1-16." *Prayer of the Day: Ephesians 4: 1-16*, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/07/prayer-of-day-ephesians-4-1-16.html>.



TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS
are in celebration of
Murray and Nancy Kidd's
25th wedding anniversary

CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IS LOOKING FOR

SPIRITUAL FORMATION VOLUNTEERS



Interested in joining the fun?

Sign-up at the link below or speak with Pastor Ann-Marie or a member of the Christian Education Board.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR:

- Sunday School Teachers and Shepherds
- Playground Assistants
- Spiritual Practice Helpers
- Service Project Helpers
- Youth Group Leaders

Volunteers Needed

As we begin another exciting year of Spiritual Formation programs, the Board of Christian Education is seeking adult volunteers to help with Sunday School, service projects and other fun learning opportunities. No expertise is needed, just enthusiasm and a willingness to learn alongside the youngest members of our community! Let us know that you're interested [HERE](#) or by speaking with a member of the CE Board or Pastor Ann-Marie.

The Southeastern MA Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and ARTS & MUSIC at CHRIST CHURCH Present

A Family Concert: Peter and the Wolf

Sunday October 2 at 1 pm

With Nicole Marane, Pipe Organ;
Daniel Alves, Percussion; and
Matt Cunningham, Narrator



FREE

DONATIONS
ACCEPTED

CHILD
CARE
AVAILABLE
FOR AGES
INFANT TO
4 YEARS
OLD

With support from the
Brockton, Easton and Stoughton

Cultural Councils



SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY THE ORGELKIDS ORGAN KIT

Come and help build a small working model of a pipe organ before the concert



At Christ Congregational Church
1350 Pleasant Street, Brockton
508-586-3022

E-mail: boardofmusic@brocktonucc.org

- All parking in rear of building
- Handicapped Accessible



Musica DIVINA

By: Anton Faynberg

STARTING AT 6:00 PM
ON THE FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAY
OF EVERY MONTH

at Christ Congregational Church, UCC



Gather Us In

Unison D A C G Gm/B^b Dm

1. Here in this place, the new light is stream-ing, sha-dows of doubt are
 2. We are the young—our lives are a mys-tery; we are the old, who
 3. Here we re-ceive new life in the wa-ters; here we re-ceive the
 4. Not just in build-ings, small and con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,

C G D A C G

van-ish-ed a-way. See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth; here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way, here in this place the new light is shin-ing;

Gm/B^b Dm C Am7 D

brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is God pres-ent, and now is the day.

WORDS and MUSIC: Marty Haugen, 1981

GATHER US IN
Irr.

© 1982 GIA Publications, Inc.

♩=54-60

A C/G D/F[♯] G A C/G

Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in; our
 Gath-er us in— the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in— the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pass-ion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and

D/F[♯] G A D A C G

spir-its in-flame. Call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,

Gm/B^b Dm C Am7 D C/D Gm/D D

we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

WORDS and MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

LIVING GOD
75.75.875

461 Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

1. Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of
 2. Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry
 3. As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-
 4. Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear

hu-man need, who up-on the cross, for-sak-en,
 cry for bread; still the cap-tives long for free-dom;
 veal-ing light in its height and depth and great-ness
 name we go to the child, the youth, the a-ged,

of-fered mer-cy's per-fect deed: we, your ser-vants, bring the
 still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com-
 dawns up-on our quick-ened sight, mak-ing known the needs and
 love in liv-ing deeds to show; hope and health, good will and

wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart, con-se-crat-ing
 pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear, stir-ring us to
 com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser-vants,

WORDS: Albert F. Bayly, 1961, alt.

MUSIC: Attr. B. F. White, 1844; harm. Ronald A. Nelson, 1978

BEACH SPRING

87.87D

Words © 1961 Oxford University Press, Inc.; harm. © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, reprinted by permission of Augsburg Fortress

♩=64-70

to your pur-pose ev-ery gift that you im-part.
 Spir-it kin-dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire-less striv-ing your a-bun-dant life to share.
 Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know, and live.

Thank You, Lord

1. Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you,
 2. Been so good, been so good, been so
 3. Been my friend, been my friend, been my

Lord,
 good,
 friend,
 I just want to thank you,
 I just want to thank you,
 I just want to thank you,
 Lord.
 Lord.
 Lord.

WORDS: Traditional African-American song
 MUSIC: Traditional African-American melody; harm. J. Jefferson Cleveland and
 Verolga Nix, alt.

THANK YOU, LORD
 333.7

Go Now in Peace

437

①

②

Keyboard, handbells,
and/or Orff instruments

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of

Detailed description: This system contains the first two measures of the piece. The top staff is in treble clef with a 2/2 time signature. It begins with a whole rest, followed by a repeat sign. The first measure of the repeat contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The second measure contains a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The third measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, and a quarter note E4. The fourth measure contains a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and a quarter note B3. The bottom staff is in bass clef with a 2/2 time signature. It begins with a whole rest, followed by a repeat sign. The first measure of the repeat contains a quarter note G3, a quarter note A3, and a quarter note B3. The second measure contains a quarter note C4, a quarter note B3, and a quarter note A3. The third measure contains a quarter note G3, a quarter note F3, and a quarter note E3. The fourth measure contains a quarter note D3, a quarter note C3, and a quarter note B2.

③

Fine
(◡)

God sur-round you ev-ery-where, ev-ery-where you may go.

Detailed description: This system contains the final two measures of the piece. The top staff is in treble clef with a 2/2 time signature. It begins with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The second measure contains a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note A4. The third measure contains a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, and a quarter note E4. The fourth measure contains a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and a quarter note B3. The fifth measure contains a quarter note G3, a quarter note F3, and a quarter note E3. The sixth measure contains a quarter note D3, a quarter note C3, and a quarter note B2. The bottom staff is in bass clef with a 2/2 time signature. It begins with a quarter note G3, a quarter note A3, and a quarter note B3. The second measure contains a quarter note C4, a quarter note B3, and a quarter note A3. The third measure contains a quarter note G3, a quarter note F3, and a quarter note E3. The fourth measure contains a quarter note D3, a quarter note C3, and a quarter note B2. The fifth measure contains a quarter note G3, a quarter note F3, and a quarter note E3. The sixth measure contains a quarter note D3, a quarter note C3, and a quarter note B2.

May be sung as a round

WORDS and MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1976

GO IN PEACE
Irr.

© 1976 Hinshaw Music, Inc.