



CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BROCKTON, MA



June 22, 2025

10:00 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

Moriah Park

OPENING PRAYER² (from Psalm 100)

***OPENING SONG**

'Lord I Want to be a Christian'

No. 589

CALL TO GATHERING¹

Come everybody, gather to worship.

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

Come if you're weary, hungry or thirsty.

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

Bring your rejoicing, dancing and singing.

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

Bring all your failures, questions and sorrows.

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

All shapes and sizes, faces and backgrounds.

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

All to the glory of Jesus our saviour.

[start quiet, getting louder:]

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

Everybody's welcome, God is here!

***PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE¹**

ALL: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, we don't always follow your ways. We shy away from discomfort. We put ourselves before others. We do not want to be inconvenienced. We worry without praying and seeking you.

We ask for forgiveness.

***WORDS OF FORGIVENESS¹**

SCRIPTURE STORY - The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Luke 10: 29-37

REFLECTION

Light a Candle for Your Neighbor

Take a moment and think about those we are called to love, to shine a light and to share power. Light a candle as a symbol of your prayer for them.

Love Your Neighbor

Take a moment to think of a neighbor God is calling you to pray for. Add them to the prayer wall using their name, an adjective, or say it quietly to yourself. Ex. My Immigrant Neighbor

Care for your Neighbor

Put together a car care kit that includes snacks, hygiene, and first aid items to have in your car in the event you come across a neighbor in need during your travels.

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Alex Green

During this time, we invite you to embrace the transition from hearing the word to gathering ourselves in prayer by taking a moment for quiet reflection either in your pew, or by coming forward to light a candle to give light to the prayer(s) on your heart that have no words to be expressed.

Come and Light a Candle...



RECOGNITION OF CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SHEPHERDS

Dani Kardisco

CE Team:

Betsey Clifford (Chair), Cara Harrigan (Vice Chair), Cathy Campbell (Treasurer), Brenda Wyss (Secretary), John Moenius (member at large)

Sunday School Shepherds:

Little Lights (ages 0-5)

Tammy Blackler, Kate Howard, Jan Howard, Lauren Selman-Kaptimer

Jesus and Me (JAM K-3)

Betsey Clifford and Matt Howard

Peacemakers (3-7)

Cathy Campbell and Dani Kardisco

Bible Study Leaders:

Donna Costa and Ray Medieros

Volunteers:

Keith Allen, Doug Anderson, John Baglole, Ang Colby, Deana Colby, Henok Kaptimer, Lauren Selman-Kaptimer, Pastor Jeff, Anita Keenan, Preston Keenan, Sue Koza, Karl Koza, Sue Medieros, Marcia Olson, Emily Swisher Rosa

PASTORAL PRAYER**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.

CALL FOR OFFERINGS¹

OFFERTORY 'Let Your Light Shine to Everybody' (Green)

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** 'Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow' No. 46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION¹

***CLOSING SONG** 'This Little Light of Mine'

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
2. Everywhere I go...
3. Jesus gave it to me...

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE 'Amen' (African-American)

Participating In Today's Worship Service:

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco, Senior Pastor
Alex Green, Music Director
Laura Ramos, Soloist
David Wilcox, ASL Interpreter
Dani Kardisco, Christian Education Director

¹Hargreaves, Sam. "Engageworship." Engageworship.org, 2023, engageworship.org/ideas/everybodys-welcome-opening-prayer. Accessed 16 June 2025.

²Caldwell, Elizabeth F, and Carol A Wehrheim. Growing in God's Love. Westminster John Knox Press, 5 Jan. 2018, p. 152.

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
 2. Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
 3. Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in-a my heart, in-a my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in-a my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in-a my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in-a my heart.

In-a my heart, in-a my heart, in-a my heart,
 in-a my heart, in-a my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in-a my heart. (in-a my heart.)
 Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in-a my heart. (in-a my heart.)
 Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in-a my heart. (in-a my heart.)

WORDS: African-American spiritual
 MUSIC: African-American spiritual; harm. Larry Sivis, 1993

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Kum ba Yah

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1. *Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba
 2. Some-one's cry-ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some-one's cry-ing, Lord, kum ba
 3. Some-one's sing-ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some-one's sing-ing, Lord, kum ba
 4. Some-one's pray-ing, Lord, kum ba yah! Some-one's pray-ing, Lord, kum ba

yah! Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!
 yah! Some-one's cry-ing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!
 yah! Some-one's sing-ing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!
 yah! Some-one's pray-ing, Lord, kum ba yah! O Lord, kum ba yah!

*Come by Air
 WORDS and MUSIC: Marvin Frey, 1938

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