



Falmouth Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Serving Christ and Community since 1754
An Open and Affirming Congregation
The Reverend Amelia Edson
Settled Pastor & Teacher



10:00 AM

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 8, 2023



THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

*Welcome! If you would like more information about our community, please fill out a blue visitor card.
Throughout the order of worship, if the print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.*

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE *(Please remain in your seat while passing the peace of Christ.)*

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Aria”

Craig Phillips

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Almighty God who has made light to conquer darkness

All: And hope to conquer fear

One: We thank you for bringing us to this time of worship

All: Prepare our hearts to be open to your Word for our lives

One: That we may draw ever closer to you, our strength and our redeemer.

All: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Lord God, who by the leading of a star made manifest your Son to the world

All: We pray that you might mercifully correct our wanderings

One: And by the guiding radiance of your compassion bring us to your truth.

All: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Children are invited to join our Director of Youth and Family Programs, Hannah Daly, for Kids' Church downstairs. Kids' Church meets until 12, with an optional early pick-up at 11.

*HYMN	"Guide My Feet"	Projected African-American Spiritual
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 2:1-12	Mark Horton
SERMON		Rev. Amelia Edson
ANTHEM	"Go Light Your World" Senior Choir	Chris Rice

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY		No. 46
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.		

*HYMN	"Are Ye Able,' Said the Master"	No. 621, v. 1,2,4
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BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE	"Go Light Your World"	Chris Rice
Carry your candle, run to the darkness Seek out the helpless, confused and torn Hold out your candle for all to see it Take your candle, and go light your world Take your candle, and go light your world.		

ORGAN POSTLUDE “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

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* *Please stand in body or spirit*



Next Sunday's Lectionary

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding:	Rev. Amelia Edson
Minister of Music:	Jan Stover
Ushers:	Jennifer Major, Bill Nugent
Liturgist:	Mark Horton
Online Worship:	Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais