

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







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.

CHORAL INTROIT

"I Will Lift Up My Eyes"

Anna Laura Page

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of mystery and of joy

All: You have made us to be salt and light

One: Magnifying truth, multiplying goodness, enhancing flavor and adding

color wherever we go

All: guide us in this time of worship

One: Grant us understanding and spiritual discernment

All: so that we might be refreshed, restored, and reminded

One: Of Your glory

All: and our call/ job/ purpose. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

CALL TO CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Loving God, we lower our heads before You and confess that we have too often forgotten that we are Yours.

All: Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God, and fall short of what You hope for us.

One: We ask Your forgiveness and we also ask for Your strength.

All: Give us clear minds and open hearts. Remind us to be who You would have us be.

One: Help us to not lose sight of You, or Your hopes for our world and for our lives.

All: In Christ's name we pray.

All: For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God. Amen.

*HYMN "Holy Ground" (sing two times) No. 112

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:13-16 Harper Reid

ALL AGES SERMON Rev. Amelia Edson

*HYMN "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" No. 614

THE FEAST OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PREFACE

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

RETELLING THE STORY

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

No. 307

ORGAN OFFERTORY "Rejoice Greatly, O My Soul" Georg Böhm

*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.

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Day by Day" No. 599

Day by day, day by day,

O, dear Lord, three things I pray:

To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,

follow thee more nearly, day by day, by day, by day, by day.

ORGAN POSTLUDE "March on the Old Hundredth

Psalm Tune"

Brenda Portman

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Next Sunday's Lectionary

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalms 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson

Minister of Music: Jan Stover

Ushers: Karin Kurry, Bill Nugent

Liturgist: Harper Reid

Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

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^{*} Please stand in body or spirit