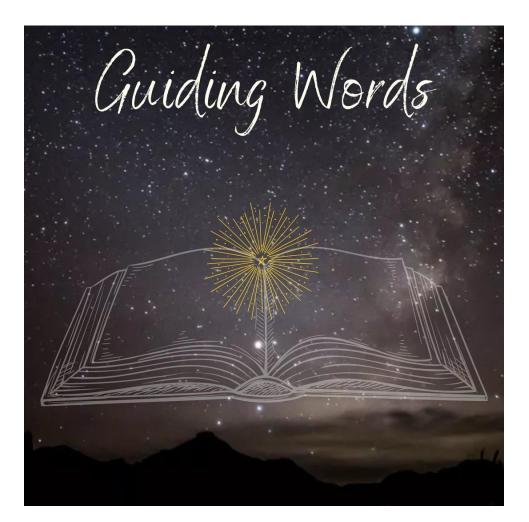


Falmouth Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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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 | "Carillon de Westminster" | Louis Vierne |
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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRELUDE

"Cantilena"

Florence Price

Lydia Hoffman

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

- One: God of grace, You have given us minds to know You
- All: hearts to love You, and voices to sing Your praise.
- One: Fill us with Your Spirit

All: that we may celebrate Your glory

- One: and worship You in spirit and in truth;
- All: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- 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.

Lydia Hoffman

¹ Book of Common Worship, Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993

One: With Paul the Apostle we are convinced All: 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 in Christ Jesus. Amen. CHILDREN'S MOMENT Children are invited to join our Minister of Children and Families, Lydia Hoffman, for Kids' Church. Kids' Church meets until 12, with an optional early pick-up at 11. "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" No. 2 *HYMN Numbers 21:4-8 SCRIPTURE Steve Hendry SERMON Rev. Amelia Edson BLESSING OUR GUIDING STAR WORDS *

Romans 8:38-39

| *HYMN | "Lead On, O Cloud of Presence" | No. 633 |
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| | Ushers will collect prayer cards during this hymn. | |

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

"Be Thou My Vision" Chancel Choir arr. Alice Parker

Lydia Hoffman

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*DOXOLOGY

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Masithi" ("Sing Amen") South African song of praise No. 30

No. 46

ORGAN POSTLUDE

[†] Musical material is presented under CCLI License #11176026

* Please stand in body or spirit

We strive to use a diversity of language to describe God, in line with the diversity of images and metaphors in our Scripture. Many hymns and prayers default to male language. Please use the language that allows you to worship best, knowing that all human speech about God is metaphoric and ultimately incomplete.

Thank you to our worship participants: Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson Minister of Music: Jan Stover Guest Organist/Choir Director: Ray Cornils Minister of Children & Families: Lydia Hoffman Ushers: Alyce Graves, Lauren Jordy Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais