

Falmouth Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

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Serving Christ and Community since 1754 Third Parish Church; 1833 The Brick Church The Reverend Amelia Edson Settled Pastor

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

If you are new to worship, welcome and please fill out a blue visitor card. Throughout the order of worship, if print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.

GATHERING MUSIC

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"
Mark Hayes

John Wilcox

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.

PRELUDE "Prelude" John Wilcox

Chopin

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: Inexhaustible source of love and life, be with us in our time of worship.

All: As we seek the love it takes to walk in the ways of your Son.

One: Help us love our enemies and bless those who wrong us; we cannot do so alone.

All: Teach us the joy of treating others with all the same respect and goodness with which we hope to be treated.

One: So that our every word and deed might make known that we are your beloved children and vessels of your love. **Amen.**

¹ Adapted from an Opening prayer on Luke 6 from Ministry Matters www.ministrymatters.com

CALL TO CONFESSION

All: Merciful God, we have fallen short, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive, renew, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and follow in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 8:38-39)

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 our Lord. Amen.

HYMN	"All My Hope on God is Founded"	Chancel Choir
SCRIPTURE	Luke 6: 27-38	Eunice Wilcox
THE SERMON		Rev. Bennekamper

SPECIAL MUSIC "Deep River" Ann Sanborn
Arranged by Rieger & John Wilcox

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

HYMN "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" Chancel Choir

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace" Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE "Melody" John Wilcox

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Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding: Rev. Diane Bennekamper

Music Committee: Marilee Beinema, Virginia Eddy, Beth Stouder

Special Music: John Wilcox and Ann Sanborn

Ushers: Sue and Larry Perry

Liturgist: Eunice Wilcox

Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

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Next Sunday's Lectionary

Ex 34: 29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Cor 3: 12-4:2; Luke 9: 28-36, (37-43a)

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