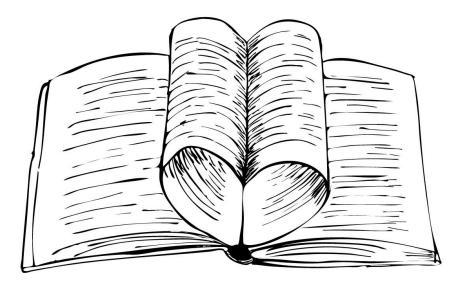


# Falmouth Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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



This is our Story



LENT 2024

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 24, 2024



# 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.

ORGAN PRELUDE

"The Palms"

Jean-Baptiste Fauré

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

No. 192

## THIS IS OUR STORY [video]

### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

One: The crowds in Jerusalem shouted -

### All: Hosanna! Save us!

- One: We too cry out. Lord God. Come amongst us this morning and equip us for the work of your kingdom.
- All: and prepare us for the joy of your presence. Hosanna!

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God, we admit to You, each other, and ourselves that we have been captured by stories that aren't true.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See "A Vision" Wendell Berry

- All: Stories that promise more, but only for some. That promises happiness, but only for ours. Stories that say we are the center, the point, and the only thing that matters.
- One: Love us into Your story, Lord God. Help us to want what is holy.
- All: Help us to love ourselves as Your creatures, our neighbors as ourselves, and the world as Your gift and creation.
- One: Help us to live the good news.
- All: Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: The compassion of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: God's mercy is new every morning, great is God's faithfulness.

- One: Let us believe the good news of the gospel.
- All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

#### \*HYMN & PALM PARADE

	"We Are Marching in the Light of God"	See Screen
SCRIPTURE	Selection from focus books: 1 & 2 Kings Luke 19:28-40	Virginia Eddy

#### **INTERGENERATIONAL SERMON**

Rev. Amelia Edson

\*HYMN "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" No. 190 Ushers will collect prayer cards during this hymn.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

"Blessed is He Who Comes" Becki Slagle Mayo Chancel Choir, Kids Chorus & Bells You may also donate online or on Venmo @FalmouthUCC

#### \*DOXOLOGY

No. 46

\*BENEDICTION

#### **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

"Blessed Assurance" (Refrain)

No. 54

**ORGAN POSTLUDE** 

"Lift High the Cross"

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

<sup>†</sup> 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 Minister of Children & Families: Lydia Hoffman Ushers: Nancy Lightbody, Alyce Graves Sarah Davis, Paul Davis Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

