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

Signs of Life

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 print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.

GATHERING MUSIC   "Amazing Grace!"   arr. Lloyd Larson
"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"   G.F. Handel
"In Christ Alone"   arr. Lloyd Larson
Wendy Hagarty, trumpet; Ted Hagarty, clarinet

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST LIGHT
"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"   No. 216

EASTER WELCOME

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE
     One: May the peace of Christ be with you.
     All: **And also with you.**

PRELUDE   "Easter Song"   Anne Herring
Bell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP
     One: Dawn breaks. Light out of darkness. Life out of death. Christ is risen!
     All: **Christ is risen indeed!**
     One: Christ is risen!
     All: **Christ is risen indeed!**
     One: God has made this new day.
     All: **Let us rejoice and be glad!**
     One: Christ is risen!
     All: **Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

PROMISES OF THE GOSPEL

    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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT   Lydia Hoffman

Children are invited to stay and worship with their families today. Kids' Church will resume next Sunday. Special Easter kids' bags are available in Fellowship Hall.

*HYMN   "Now the Green Blade Rises"   No. 230

SCRIPTURE   Isaiah 25:6-9; John 20:1-18   Mark Horton

SERMON   Rev. Amelia Edson

*HYMN   "Christ Arose!"   No. 224

Ushers will collect prayer cards during this hymn.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

                               "Christ Is Risen"   Hal H. Hopson

                             Chancel Choir;   tune by Pablo Sos

        Wendy Hagarty, trumpet; Ted Hagarty, tambourine;

           Mickey Johnson & Jan Stover, piano

       You may also donate online or on Venmo @FalmouthUCC

*DOXOLOGY   No. 46

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE   "The Trumpet Tune in G"   Jeremy J. Bankson

        Wendy Hagarty, trumpet; Ted Hagarty, clarinet

* 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.

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Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding:	Rev. Amelia Edson
Minister of Music:	Jan Stover
Minister of Children & Families:	Lydia Hoffman
Ushers:	Rodney Coleman, Anne Coleman, Paul Davis, Alyce Graves
Online Worship:	Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

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Welcome to Falmouth Congregational Church, United Church of Christ

Formed by worship, Falmouth Congregational Church, UCC is a vibrant, open-minded and welcoming Christian community. You are welcome here! The church engages in ministries of service, worship, and community throughout the year. Please check out our website www.falmouthcongregationalchurch.org or ministry bulletin boards to learn more.

Our Kids' Church programming runs from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Kids may be picked up at 11:00 AM when service ends, or parents can take the extra hour to enjoy coffee, socialize, or run errands. Final pick up is at 12:00 PM when the Kids' Church program concludes until we meet again next time! Our nursery is fully staffed and available to littles under 5 every Sunday from September-June from 9:45 AM – 11 AM. Questions? Email Lydia@falmouthcongregationalchurch.org

Today, children are invited to stay and worship with their families. Special Easter busy bags are available on the table outside the entrance to the Sanctuary. If needed, our staffed nursery is available for children under 5. Kids' Church will resume next Sunday. Visiting children are always welcome!