

Falmouth Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation 267 Falmouth Road Falmouth, Maine 04105 207.781.3413



Serving Christ and Community since 1754 Third Parish Church; 1833 The Brick Church The Reverend Amelia Edson Settled Pastor 10:00 AM

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost June 27th, 2021

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

GATHERING MUSIC

Doris Krueger

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

"Amazing Grace"

Virginia Harmony, 1841

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION

One: Lord God, You spoke into darkness and chaos and then there was light; You imagined this earth in its complexity and beauty and called it into being You created humanity in your own image and gave us a home to live in We believe you can do miracles

All: But even if you don't, you are still God

One: Lord God,

You changed water into wine so the wedding party could continue

You calmed a storm and your disciples with words of quiet authority

You transformed a boy's picnic into a meal for a multitude with plenty left over We believe you can do miracles

All: But even if you don't, you are still God

One: Lord God,

You healed a woman from 12 years of bleeding and rejection

You asked Bartimaeus what he wanted and then restored his sight

You watched a paralysed man being lowered through the roof and helped him to his feet

We believe you can do miracles

All: But even if you don't, you are still God

One: Lord God,

You told your disciples that they would do greater things than you had done We hear and read stories of miracles in our world—the sick being healed, prisoners set free, addicts released from their addiction, providing the right amount of money at just the right time

We believe you can do miracles

All: But even if you don't, you are still God

One: And yet, Lord,

We have friends with cancer, and we pray, and they are not healed We have friends who long for children, and we pray, and they do not conceive Our doubt is mixed with faith, our trust is accompanied by questions We acknowledge the mystery of faith and prayer, and the ways in which they are connected. We long to know you better, to understand more of your ways And we believe you can do miracles

All: But even if you don't, you are still God

One: Lord we believe

All: Help our unbelief. (Mark 9:24)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Let us remember the Gospel Promise.

All: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, not depth, nor anything else in all creation, are able to separate us from the love of God. Amen. (Romans 8)

HYMN "Fill My Cup" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE Mark 5: 21-43 Marilee Beinema

THE SERMON "What is a Miracle & Rev. Edson How Does God Choose Who Gets a Miracle?"

Rodgers & Wyse/ arr. Schrader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

HYMN "Help Us Accept Each Other" Chancel Choir

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace"

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Voluntary" Henry Purcell

Throughout the order of worship, if print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.

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Next Sunday's Lectionary

2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10; Mark 6: 1-13

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson

Music Committee: Marilee Beinema, Virginia Eddy, Doris Krueger

Ushers: Jo & Joe Blinick
Liturgist: Marilee Beinema

Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

^{*} Musical material is presented under CCLI License #1117602

Announcements:

The next Latte & Littles Parent's Group will meet Saturday, July 17th at 10:00 am.

Church School kick-off is September 19th!

Our annual calendar planning meeting and potluck is scheduled for Monday August 23rd.

Calendar:

Monday, June 28th Theatre Camp 9-3 Monday-Friday 12:00 Noon Bible Study (Zoom)

Tuesday, June 29th 11:00 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, June 30th Pastor Amelia out of office for a family funeral