



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



10:00 AM

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 16, 2023



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 “This is My Father’s World/ arr. Brett Adams
 He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”
 “In Christ Alone” arr. Brett Adams
 Wendy & Ted Hagarty

WELCOME & 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 “I Want Jesus to Walk with Me” arr. Brett Adams
 Wendy & Ted Hagarty

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of peace, we turn aside from an unquiet world, seeking rest for our spirits and light for our thoughts.

All: We bring our work to be sanctified, our wounds to be healed, our sins to be forgiven, our hopes to be renewed, and our better selves to be quickened.

One: God in whom there is perfect harmony, draw us to yourself, and silence the discord of our lives.

All: God in whom all are one, take us out of the loneliness of self, and fill us with the fullness of your truth and love.

One: God whose greatness is beyond our utmost thought, and whose goodness is beyond our highest praise

All: Send us visions of the beauty that is in Your world, of the love that is in You, and of the good that may be in us. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Gracious God, we confess we know the lure of sweet fruit, the false comfort that comes from eating the bread of anxious toil, and the futility of filling our lives with things that do not satisfy.

All: Deliver us from all indulgence, acquisitiveness, and vanity, that we might learn a nobler contentment.

One: Let us not fear what emptiness we feel, but trust in your kind providing.

All: Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (From Romans 8:38-39)

One: With Paul the Apostle,

All: we are convinced 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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kids' Church runs from September through June.

Children are welcome to stay and participate in worship. Busy bags are available.

*HYMN	"In Christ Alone"	Screen
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 1-2:2	Jim Parr
SERMON		Rev. Amelia Edson
*HYMN	"Take Time to Be Holy"	No. 572 vs. 1-3

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *You may also donate online or on Venmo @FalmouthUCC*
"Andante" Georg Philipp Telemann
(Sonata in A for Oboe)
Ted Hagarty, clarinet

***DOXOLOGY**

No. 46

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Day by Day”

No. 599

**Day by day, day by day,
O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly, day by day,
by day, by day, by day.**

POSTLUDE

“O God Beyond All Praising”
Wendy & Ted Hagarty

arr. Lloyd Larson

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* *Please stand in body or spirit*

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding:	Rev. Amelia Edson
Minister of Music:	Jan Stover
Usher:	Laurie Davis
Online Worship:	Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

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“@FalmouthUCC” or by searching “Falmouth Congregational Church UCC” in
Venmo, under the “Charities” section.*



Next Sunday’s Lectionary

Genesis 28:10-19a and Psalm 139:1-22, 23-24
Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43