



Falmouth Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Congregation

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Serving Christ and Community since

1754 Third Parish Church;

1833 The Brick Church

The Reverend Amelia Edson

Settled Pastor

10:00 AM

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25th, 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

“Be Thou My Vision” Traditional Irish Medley
Virginia Eddy & Elizabeth Stouder

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord we gather together in search of salvation

**All: We gather to worship Christ, who rescues creation from the
absurdity of sin,**

One: from the emptiness and waste of death, from the forces that shatter living
souls and pull us towards nothingness

All: Help us to hate these things with perfect hatred

One: And to love you with perfect love.

All: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

One: Loving God, we lower our heads before you and confess that we have too
often forgotten that we are yours.

**All: We carry on our lives as if there was no God, and fall short of what
you hope for us.**

One: We ask your forgiveness and for your strength.

All: Give us clear minds and open hearts. Remind us to be who you would have us be.

One: Help us to not lose sight of you, or your hopes for our world and for our lives.

All: In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

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

All: For I am 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. Amen.

HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" #192, Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE Psalm 23 Marilee Beinema

THE SERMON "Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?" Rev. Amelia

SPECIAL MUSIC "O, Mary Don't You Weep" Trad. Spiritual
Virginia Eddy & Rev. Amelia Edson

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

“Go Down Moses”

John & Eunice Wilcox

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Go in Peace”

POSTLUDE

“Psalm XX”

Benedetto Marcello

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



Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding:	Rev. Amelia Edson
Music Committee:	Marilee Beinema, Virginia Eddy, Doris Krueger
Special Music:	John & Eunice Wilcox, Elizabeth Stouder, Virginia Eddy & Rev. Edson
Ushers:	Larry & Sue Perry
Liturgist:	Marilee Beinema
Online Worship:	Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais



Next Sunday's Lectionary

2 Samuel 11:26 – 12:13a; Psalm 51: 1-12; Ephesians 4: 1-16; John 6: 24-35