



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

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 6, 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 “Fanfare Acclamation on ‘Majesty’” Thallander/Wilkin
“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” Michael Burkhardt
I Rondo - II Canon - IV Siciliano
“Toccatà on ‘Ellacombe’” Thallander/Wilkin
Jan Stover & Mark Thallander, organ

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 “Holy, Holy, Holy” Dan Miller
Jan Stover, piano; Mark Thallander, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Gracious God, we gather today to celebrate and cultivate mercy, grace,
and forgiveness

All: Not because those things come easily to us

One: because we are in desperate need of them

All: We come to meet each other

One: Not because we have things in common

**All: because other people challenge our assumptions, increase our
compassion, and help us see the complexity of God**

One: We come to worship God

All: Not because we are all good,

One: because we seek to worship something greater than our own selves,
and to acknowledge our own dependence, interdependence, and need

All: We gather to worship

One: Let us begin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Merciful God, we have fallen short, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive, renew, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and follow in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(Romans 8)

One: With Paul the Apostle we remember and proclaim,

All: 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, are 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	"How Great Thou Art"	No. 33
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 14:13-21	Alyce Graves
SERMON	"An Everyday Miracle"	Mark Thallander, Virginia Eddy & Jan Stover
*HYMN	"I Come With Joy"	No. 420 vs. 1-4

THE FEAST OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PREFACE

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

