



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

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

August 15th, 2021



THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

GATHERING MUSIC

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

“Rejoice in the Lord Always”
John & Eunice Wilcox

Henry Purcell

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: With eyes to see

All: And ears to hear

One: With minds to think

All: And hands to help:

One: Let us worship God with the fullness of our being.

CALL TO CONFESSION¹

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.

¹ Adapted from holdfasttowhatisgood.com liturgy page.

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

One: With Paul the Apostle we are convinced

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, will be able to separate us from the love of God. Amen.

HYMN "We Gather Together" No. 276

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 12: 9-10 Cathy Bowden

THE SERMON "Focus" Tom Stegemann, Lay Preacher

SPECIAL MUSIC "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Sy Miller & Jill Jackson
John & Eunice Wilcox

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 "Let the Whole Creation Cry" No. 421

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace"

POSTLUDE "Postlude on "Azmon"" Don Phillips

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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
Ushers: Joe & Jo Blinick
Liturgist: Cathy Bowden
Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais



Next Sunday's Lectionary

1 Kings 8: 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6: 10-20; John 6: 56-69



The Chancel Flowers are given by Joe Blinick in honor of Jo Blinick's birthday on August 14th. Happy Birthday, Jo!

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 21st ~10:00 AM

Lattes & Littles

Parents' group meeting outside the church;
coffee and tea beverages will be available

Monday, August 23rd ~ 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Annual Calendar Planning Meeting

All Committee Chairs to attend