

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

# 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

"Bless This House" John & Eunice Wilcox May H. Brahe

## WELCOME

- CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted from Kingdom of Kindness Prayer from Leading In Worship
- One: God of grace, we have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness,
- All: A world where love rules over all,
- One: A world where enemies embrace,
- All: a world where the distinctions between friend and foe evaporate in the light of your love.
- One: Knowing you have the power to transform us we give our lives over to you,
- All: Body, soul, mind, and spirit.
- One: In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## CALL TO 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 8:38-39)

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	"Abide with Me"	No. 636
SCRIPTURE	Ephesians 4:29-32	Jim Parr
THE SERMON	"Kindness"	Mollie Mason, Lay Preacher
SPECIAL MUSIC	"Deep River" John & Eunice Wilcox	Trad. Spiritual/ Lloyd Larson

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## 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 "N	lear To the Heart of	God" No. 581	
BENEDICTION			
BENEDICTION RESPONSE	"Go in Peace"		
POSTLUDE	"Rondeau"	Jean-Joseph Mouret Ed. and arr. Michael Burkhardt	
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If you are new to worship, welcome and please fill out a blue visitor card.

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:	Peggy & Mark Horton
Liturgist:	Jim Parr
Online Worship:	Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

⇔ ఈ ళళ Next Sunday's Lectionary

Song of Sol 2: 8-13; Psalm 45: 1-2, 6-9; James 1: 17-27; Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23



The Chancel Flowers are given by Anonymous with love and gratitude

Upcoming Events: Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM Annual Calendar Planning Meeting Zoom Meeting