



# 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



## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

*"The Communion Table teaches us that, ultimately, faith isn't about being right or good or in agreement. Faith is about feeding and being fed." - Rachel Held Evans*

**LIFE OF THE CHURCH****\*WELCOME AND THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**PRELUDE**                    **"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"** William B. Bradbury/  
Wilbur Held

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

One: Let us remember the good news.

**All: We, once aliens, are now citizens of heaven.**

One: We, once strangers, are now brought home in the family of God..

**All: We, once separated, are now proclaimed one people,**

One: Mutually embraced in the everlasting arms.

**All: We share in each other's joys, and each other's sorrows.**

One: Let us then renew our strength

**All: We will worship our Sovereign, and hold fast to our hope!**

**\*HYMN**                    **"Christians, We Have Met to Worship"**                    No. 277

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION****PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**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.**

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<sup>1</sup> Based on Alexander Campbell's Communion Affirmation

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The compassion of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

**All: God's mercy is new every morning, great is God's faithfulness.**

One: Let us believe the good news of the gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

## THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

**Psalm 137**

(NRSV p. 539; RSV p.551†)

**1 Timothy 1:1-14**

(NRSV p. 183; RSV p.194†)

## THE SERMON

**The Good Deposit Entrusted to You**

Rev. Butler

## \*HYMN

**"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"**

No. 339

*During this hymn, Ushers will collect prayer cards for the Pastoral Prayer.*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

One: God be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: May the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts.

**All: Christ is our peace, our light, and our hope.**

One: Let us pray.

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRAYER RESPONSE

**"The Lord's Prayer"**

No. 307

## THE FEAST OF COMMUNION

### PREFACE

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to our God.**

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

**All: It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

### RETELLING THE STORY

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*Gluten free bread and cup available in front of the Chancel.  
If you would like communion brought to you, please notify an usher.*

**THE OFFERTORY “The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power”** Andrae Crouch/  
Joseph Linn

### \*DOXOLOGY

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

## PRAYER DEDICATION

**\*CLOSING HYMN “Rise Up, O Saints of God”** No. 611

### \*BENEDICTION

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Go in Peace”** No.445

**POSTLUDE “I Come With Joy”** Matthew H. Corl

**\* During the postlude, you may be seated to listen, or you may leave.**

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

**(\*)Please rise in body or spirit.**

† NRSV Bibles are on the pulpit side and the RSV Bibles are on the lectern side of the sanctuary.

*Visiting Falmouth Congregational this morning? Please fill out a blue visitor card and put it in the offering plate so that we can send you a (personal, non-spam) welcome email!*

*The chancel flowers are given by Matthew Strobel*

*Thank you to our guest minister, Rev. David Butler*



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## Worship Participants

**Guest Minister:** Rev. David Butler  
**Greeter:** Carol Kauffman  
**Liturgist:** Steve Hendry  
**Ushers:** Jo & Joe Blinick, Mollie & Kim Mason  
**Bus Driver:** Mark Horton

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## PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Robert Bourgault  
Louise Thomas  
John Graustein  
Maureen Grubb  
Ginny Hamilton

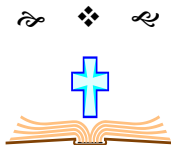


Bee O'Brien  
Myron Krueger  
Maytha Southard  
Helen Tupper-Southard

Diane Mathieu and the Family of Donald Packer  
Family of Nancy Snow, who entered into eternal rest on September 25

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*Please let the church office know if we have missed someone and please update us so that we may better pray for them. Thank you.*



## Next Sunday's Lectionary

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalms 66:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

We **welcome** you to worship and invite you to join us after the service in Fellowship Hall for refreshments. If you are visiting us today, please pick up a **Welcome Bag** in Fellowship Hall or in the Narthex, sign the guest book and fill out a blue Welcome card.

**Drivers Needed:** We are looking for volunteers to drive our family of Asylum seekers to appointments. If you are able to drive, please sign up with Virginia Eddy.

Please plan to volunteer at the **TWELFTH annual Harvest Community Supper**. The free delicious roast turkey supper with all the fixings will be held in Beinema Hall on October 24, 2019, between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. There are sign-up sheets on the poster in Fellowship Hall, or you may contact Nancy Lightbody at 781-4670. Thank you!

**Holly Days Fair: It's never too early to think about our Annual Holly Days Fair! This year's Holly Days Fair will be held on Saturday, November 23.** We hope everyone will be a part of this important and FUN event. Feel free to contact us with your ideas and any questions:

Cathy Bowden/Coordinator of Communication	<a href="mailto:cathybbowden@gmail.com">cathybbowden@gmail.com</a>
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Have a good joke, theological question, or just low on caffeine? Drop by for **Coffee with the Pastor**, every Tuesday from 12:30-2:00 PM in Fellowship Hall.

**FCC BUS DRIVERS Please call if you need to cancel your ride. Thank you.**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday: Jack Davis, 233-1707 | 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Paul Davis, 332-7268 | 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Phil Pierce, 781-3769 | 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Ann Sanborn, 318-6906 | 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Mark Horton, 838-1544

**The Falmouth Food Pantry is open on the following days in October:**

Mondays,	October 7, 28:	9:00 - 11:00 AM,
Tuesdays,	October 8, 15, 29:	9:30 - 11:30 AM
Thursdays,	October 10, 17, 31:	4:30 - 6:30 PM

**Nursery News:** We are excited to announce that the Personnel Committee has hired a Nursery Care Provider named Elena Parr. She will be a great addition to our church staff and church family. **We need volunteers to become on-call nursery helpers.** This means that you can stay in church unless there are too many children for Elena to handle or if there is an emergency. You can sign up on the volunteer sheet on the CE bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

### Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Food Pantry Open  
7:00 PM Fiddle-icious Rehearsal

### Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

9:30 AM Food Pantry Open  
11:30 AM Staff Meeting (Grant Room)  
12:30 PM Coffee with the Pastor (until 2 PM)

### Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>

1:00 PM Ministry of Community Life/ Called to Care Meeting  
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

1:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry  
4:30 PM Food Pantry Open  
6:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting

### Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal  
6:30 PM Coffee House

### Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Choir Practice  
10:00 AM Worship Service with Installation of Rev. Edson  
11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**October Sermon Series: Powerful Mirrors** October 13- October 27

“Seeing ourselves and our world in the Parables of Luke”

Come find new life in these ancient stories, Sundays at 10 AM

**Mason-Motz 55+ Senior Activity Center OPEN HOUSE:** October 23

190 Middle Road, Falmouth in the Presumpscot Room

Free events include: Guided Meditation, Cooking Demo, Laughter Yoga, Live Music, Cookie Social, a Flu Shot Clinic, Massages and Door Prizes!

See October's Congregator for more information.

**Community Supper:** October 24, 4:30- 7:00 PM  
This free event supports the food pantry.  
Volunteers needed!



**Family Halloween Event:** October 27, 1:00- 4:00 PM  
Co-sponsored by the Davinci Camp, for more info: [falmouthme.org](http://falmouthme.org)



**Family Promise Host Week:** October 27- November 3

**Family Promise Training Sessions:**

Sunday, **October 27**, 9:30am- 12:30 PM:

Congregation Bet Ha'am, 81 Westbrook Street, South Portland

Thursday, **November 21**, 5:30- 8:30 PM:

First Congregational Church, 301 Cottage Road, South Portland.



***Church Office Hours***

***Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Closed on Friday***

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