



Falmouth Congregational Church United Church of Christ

Serving Christ and Community since 1754

An Open and Affirming Congregation

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Settled Pastor & Teacher



Off of the Sidelines
Getting in the Game, Living Our Faith

Fall Sermon Series



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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

GET IN THE GAME [video]

PRELUDE

“The Swan”
Barbara Graustein, cello

Camille Saint-Saëns

CALL TO WORSHIP *(adapted from Rev. Leslie Penrose)*

One: We gather to be in loving community together!

All: Different people, different lives, different stories.

One: Yet all of us are from the same maker,

All: created lovingly from the Source of all life.

One: We gather to reconnect with one another,

All: different people, different lives, different stories.

One: Yet all disciples of one Teacher!

All: Jesus, the Word made human, who lives among us.

One: One people, one body, one maker. All are welcome here.

All: There is room at the table! There is a seat for everyone! Let us worship God together!

CALL TO CONFESSION

All: Loving and generous God, you wrap us in love and you remind us that we are good. You hold us in our hardest times and you offer us

peace. When we do not act with love, when we need reminders to get back up and try again, you meet us in every moment. We bravely and boldly confess our human errors, and know that we are forgiven and forever received with grace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are especially included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve.

All: Amen.

***HYMN** "We, Your People, God, Confessing" No. 356, vs. 1,3,4

SCRIPTURE Matthew 26:17-30 Grace Johnson

INTERGENERATIONAL SERMON Lydia Hoffman

***HYMN** "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" No. 518

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

RETELLING THE STORY

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

***THE SUNG LORD'S PRAYER** No. 307

OFFERTORY *You may also donate online or on Venmo @FalmouthUCC*

"Love Is Little"

Ron Barnett

Chancel Choir; Barbara Graustein, cello

***DOXOLOGY**

No. 46

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

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** “The Blessing”

Kari Jobe

**The Lord bless you and keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His face toward you
And give you peace. *(repeat)*
A - - - men, a - men, a - men
A - - - men, a - men, a - men.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE

“Bourrée”

W.H. Squire

Barbara Graustein, cello

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* *Please stand in body or spirit*

We celebrate that Lydia Hoffman, our Minister of Children and Families, has been licensed by the York Association of the Maine Conference United Church of Christ to offer and preside over the holy sacraments of Communion and Baptism.

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding: Lydia Hoffman
Minister of Music: Jan Stover
Ushers: Nancy Wulbrecht, Julia Poppell
Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

*The flowers that grace the chancel this morning are given
in honor of my mom, grandma, aunt, and all other breast cancer survivors.*

From Katie Howison



Next Sunday's Lectionary

Exodus 32:1-14, Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 (or Isaiah 25:1-9, Psalm 23); Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22: 1-14