



# 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

10:00 AM

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 18th, 2020



**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**PRELUDE**

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

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Almighty God, unto You our hearts are open

**All: For our hearts cannot resist Your steady care and address**

One: You are the one who made us

**All: Our hearts are restless until they rest in You.**

One: Do Your mysterious, majestic, God-ing with our hearts

**All: reclaim, renew, re-enliven us**

One: that we may leave this place

**All: transformed, transposed, transfigured**

One: God, unto You are hearts are opened

**All: We are Your people, once again.**

**HYMN**

"Come Thou Font of Every Blessing"

Brian Wilson

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Rev. Amelia Edson

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Loving God, day by day your blessings surround us.

**All: We come again with joyful hearts to seek your presence.**

One: O, that we could be reborn like the morning.

**All: For even as we seek to commune with you, shadows dim the joy of our aspiration.**

One: We remember our thoughtless moments, our impatient tempers, our selfish aims, our fearful grasping.

**All: And yet, your still, small voice whispers in our inmost conscience, appealing to us to choose the better part.**

One: Sweep away every dust of care, every trace of fear, every stain of uncharitable mind

**All: So that we may serve you and rejoice in newness of spirit.**

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From Romans 8

One: With our Scripture we proclaim:

**All: I am convinced 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.**

## THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Kim Hendry

## THE SERMON

Rev. Amelia Edson

## ANTHEM

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

## 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.**

## OFFERTORY & STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Kim Hendry

## HYMN

“Great is Your Faithfulness”

Brian Wilson

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Go in Peace”

No.445

## POSTLUDE

**\* An usher will release people from the sanctuary one pew at a time.**

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.



### *WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS*

*Guest Organist: Brian Wilson*  
*Ushers: Anne and Rodney Coleman*  
*Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann,  
Jack Gervais, John Wilcox*



### **Next Sunday's Lectionary**

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

## **Church Office Hours**

***The church office remains closed and is open by appointment.***

***Please call or email to make an appointment.***

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