

Falmouth Congregational Church United Church of Christ



Serving Christ and Community since 1754
An Open and Affirming Congregation
The Reverend Amelia Edson
Settled Pastor & Teacher



Stewardship 2024



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 Joe Blinick

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRELUDE "Give Thanks" Henry Smith,

> arr. Tom Fettke Jessica Collins & Kristen Tripp

CALL TO WORSHIP Lydia Hoffman

All: May we remember One: That God created. All: May we remember One: That God liberated. All: May we remember

One: That God fed.

May we remember All:

One: That God is still creating, God is still liberating, and God is still feeding.

Let this be our story. AII:

One: Let this be where we begin. All: Let us worship our God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Lydia Hoffman

Holy God, it can be so hard to remember to do the right thing. AII: Sometimes, we forget to forgive. Sometimes, we forget to show our love. Sometimes, we do not love our neighbor as ourselves. Sometimes, we do not love ourselves. Help us to remember to practice again and again to live like Jesus, to love with all our hearts, and to be open to receiving Your grace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Romans 8:38-39 Lydia Hoffman

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 in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN** "Take My Life" No. 609, vs. 1,4,5,6

SCRIPTURE Exodus 16:1-18 Caroline Pond

SERMON Rev. Amelia Edson

*HYMN "We Call Ourselves Disciples" No. 357, vs. 1,2,4,5

Ushers will collect prayer cards during this hymn.

OUR MONEY STORY (Stewardship Moment)

Mark Howison

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD & BLESSING OF THE COATS

Guest Heather Simpson from Maine Needs

OFFERTORY "Look At the World" John Rutter
Chancel Choir; Bells; Grace Howison & Grace Johnson, soloists
You may also donate online or on Venmo @FalmouthUCC

*DOXOLOGY No. 46

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Give Thanks" No. 528

POSTLUDE "Festival Processional on Setting by Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" John Eggert

Ted Hagarty, clarinet; Wendy Hagarty, trumpet

We strive to use a diversity of language to describe God, in line with the diversity of images and metaphors in our Scripture. Many hymns and prayers default to male language. Please use the language that allows you to worship best, knowing that all human speech about God is metaphor and ultimately incomplete.

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson

Minister of Music: Jan Stover Minister of Children & Families: Lydia Hoffman

Ushers: Judy Crosby, Chan Sinnett, Caroline Pond,

Tommy Genese

Acolyte: Caroline Pond

Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

Next Sunday's Lectionary

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25, Psalm 78:1-7 (or Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24 and Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20 or Psalm 70);1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

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