



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

ADVENT I: HOPE

November 29th, 2020

I Believe in the Sun: Hope for Tomorrow



THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

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

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Handbell Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: I believe that we have looked the other way too many times and

All: **I believe that we are capable of facing reality and working for change.**

One: I believe that our fear of difference has robbed us of compassion and

All: **I believe that we can look deeper and hold onto the things that we have in common.**

One: I believe that our fear of doubt makes us stop asking tough questions and

All: **I believe that asking tough questions in the face of injustice is faithful.**

One : We believe, even when we are discouraged.

All: We believe, that when we are discouraged, our good and loving God offers us hope!

HYMN "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Mark 1: 1-15

Virginia Eddy

THE SERMON

Rev. Amelia Edson

BAPTISM

Julian Constance Edson

Rev. Geoff Parker

ANTHEM

"I Believe, Even When"

Mark A. Miller

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

HYMN

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

*BENEDICTION

Handbell Choir

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Go in Peace”

No.445

POSTLUDE

* Musical material is presented under CCLI License #1117602

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

Organist: Doris Krueger
Candle lighters Jennifer Bissell, Virginia Eddy
Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann,
Jack Gervais, John Wilcox



Next Sunday's Lectionary

Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

Church Office Hours

The church office remains closed and is open by appointment.

Please call or email to make an appointment. Church

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