



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

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Feb. 9, 2020

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“But above all, in order to be, never try to seem.”

Albert Camus



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

O, How I Love Jesus

Traditional American

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Lord, we've gathered here in this place to worship You!

All: **We've come to sing and to pray together!**

One: We've come to find You in the faces of our friends and our neighbors!

All: **Bless this time we spend together this morning.**

One: And may our time here today bring us all closer to You!

All: **Amen**

***HYMN**

“Gather Us In”

No. 284

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that out of fear of discomfort and ridicule we do not always offer ourselves in support of the oppressed, or share our abundance with those in need as we should, yet we call ourselves Christians and we speak of the perfect example of Christ's love. Forgive us our fear, and our failure to live for others as Christ taught us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ's love for us is perfect, and we can take comfort in that perfect love! Know that Christ forgives us our fear and our failures, just as he calls us to walk out from our comfort in faith! In Christ's perfect love we are forgiven. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 58: 1-9

(NRSV p. 647; RSV p.652[†])

Matthew 5: 13-20

(NRSV p. 4; RSV p.4[†])

THE SERMON

“Salty Christians?”

Rev. Stephen Savage

*HYMN

“Here I Am Lord”

No. 452

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

THE OFFERTORY

“Be Thou My Vision”

arr. Alice Parker

You may also give a gift online at www.falmouthcongregationalchurch.org/donation

*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

One: Lord, we are all partners in your work!

All: Lord, we offer these gifts to you as a symbol of our willingness to join in your work and be transformed in your image. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

One: God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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

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

One: Let us pray.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

CLOSING HYMN “They’ll Know We Are Christians” No. 494

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Go in Peace” No.445

POSTLUDE “Trumpet Voluntary in D Major” Henry Purcell

* 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!

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Guest Minister: Reverend Stephen Savage
Greeter: Joe & Jo Blinick
Liturgist: Sarah Davis
Ushers: Larry & Sue Perry
 Nancy Lightbody
 Lorraine Bergen
Bus Driver: Paul Davis



Next Sunday's Lectionary

Deuteronomy 30:15- 20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE
IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Ginny Hamilton
James Klenk
Rev. Beinema
Zack Couture
Jim Poppell
John Graustein
Maureen Grubb



Barbara Wood
Doris Krueger
Joan Bamel
Bee O'Brien
Myron Krueger
Maytha Southard

The family and friends of Myron Hager

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.



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 and fill out a **blue Welcome card**.

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Have a good joke, theological question, or just low on caffeine? Drop by for **Coffee with the Pastor**, every **second and fourth Tuesday from 12:30-2:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall. **Next Coffee with the Pastor will be February 11 and 25.**

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Stewardship 2020 Update: As of January, the church has received 68 pledges, including 15 new pledges for a total of \$181,584. The church has achieved 90% of our goal of \$200,000. There is still time to submit your pledge to the church office, attn Gini Medford. If you need a pledge card, email or call the office. Thank you to everyone that is making this campaign one of the most successful in the last few years.

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**Hospitality Table:** If you would like to contribute to the Hospitality Table, there is a sign-up poster in Fellowship Hall! And anytime you are baking, you may like to save a few extra contributions for our "Feed the Freezer" campaign.



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

Monday, 3, 17: 9:00 - 11:00 AM  
Tuesdays, 11, 18, 25 9:30 - 11:30 AM  
Thursday, 13, 20, 27: 4:30 - 6:30 PM

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Needed: Nursery Volunteers; Sign up on CE Bulletin Board or with Kristen Coleman.
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**FCC BUS DRIVERS Please call if you need to cancel your ride.** 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  
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Coffee House: February 14th starting at 6:30 Music by Richard Corson, Ken Meyers & Steve Burnett. Don't have special Valentine's Day plans yet?? Bring your special someone and come spend Valentine's Day at FCC with coffee and great music!
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**THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

**March Congregator Deadline**

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 AM Worship with Rev. Stephen Savage  
11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship  
11:30 AM Council of Ministries Mtg

**Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Food Pantry Open  
6:00PM Fiddle- icious

**Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Aerobics  
9:30 AM Food Pantry Open  
10:00 AM Bible Study: Ocean View  
10:45 AM T'ai Chi  
11:30 AM Staff Meeting  
12:30 PM Coffee with Rev. Amelia  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack Meeting

**Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Aerobics  
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

4:30 PM Food Pantry Open  
6:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Meeting

**Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Aerobics  
6:30 PM Coffee House

**Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 AM Worship  
11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship  
11:30 AM Council of Ministries Mtg.

## **Church Office Hours**

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

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