



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

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

In honor of the Lenten Season and each other we ask that a worshipful quiet be kept before service as we enjoy the gathering music and prepare to glorify God. Conversations are welcome in Fellowship Hall.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“No man is an island entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main ...”- John Donne

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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

All are invited to stay seated as we engage in passing the peace contemplatively in honor of both the Lenten and flu season.

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRELUDE

“Living Water”

Liz Brasher

Performed by Virginia Eddy, Ann Sanborn, & friends

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come, let's sing out loud to the lord!

One: Let's raise a joyful SHOUT to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let's come before God with thanks!

One: Let's SHOUT songs of joy to him!

All: The LORD is a great God, the great king over all other powers.

One: The earth's depths are in God's hands; the mountain heights belong to God;

All: The sea, God made it! It belongs to God, along with the dry ground, which God's own hands formed.

One: Come, let's worship and bow down! Let's kneel before the LORD, our maker!

All: We are the people of God's pasture, the sheep in God's hands. Let's come before God with thanks!

One: Let us listen to God's voice.

***HYMN**

“Shall We Gather at the River”

No. 701

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Gracious God, as we come seeking You we remember how often we have drawn aside from Your ways.

All: We have feared what was not terrible, rested in habits that were unworthy of our freedom, lived at peace with evil, and wished for what was not holy. From our lethargy, sin, and weakness we ask for your deliverance.

One: Grant us pardon and peace, that we might be free to love and serve You with full hearts and quiet minds. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Let us remember the Gospel Promise.

All: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, not depth, nor anything else in all creation, are able to separate us from the love of God. Amen. (Romans 8)

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Exodus 17:1-7

(NRSV p.59 ; RSV p.62[†])

John 4:5-42

(NRSV p. 82; RSV p.90[†])

THE SERMON

“Virally Connected”

Rev. Amelia Edson

*HYMN

“Fill My Cup, Lord”

No. 351

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

THE OFFERTORY

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

James Manfield

Chancel Choir

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 OF DEDICATION

One: Lord help us in our faltering attempts to release all of who we are and what we have to you.

All: **In Christ's name we pray. 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

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

"Just a Little Talk with Jesus"

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***BENEDICTION**

BENEDICION RESPONSE

"Go in Peace"

No. 445

POSTLUDE

"March Religieuse"

Alexandre Guilmant

*** 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

Greeter: Jo & Joe Blinick
Liturgist: Marilee Beinema
Ushers: Larry & Sue Perry
Phil & Rae Pierce
Bus Driver: Phil Pierce

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Maureen Grubb
Ginny Hamilton
James Klenk
Zack Couture
John Graustein
Pauline Kauffman
Ellen Simmonds



Ken Bowden

Joan Bamel
Bee O'Brien
Myron Krueger
Maytha Southard
Peggy Halleck
Chaz Roth
Bill Graves

Family & Friends of Don Worthen
Family & Friends of Rev. Beinema, Passed into eternal rest March 8th

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.



Next Sunday's Lectionary

Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

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**.

This afternoon from **4:00PM - 6:00PM** the Tuttle road church will be hosting the next combined middle school **youth group event**. We will be going on a Lenten Labyrinth walk and discussing our Lenten goals and faith.

Called to Care will hold an Easter Card Writing session on Monday, March 30th at 1:30 p.m. in the Grant Room. All are invited to attend and refreshments will be served. Snowdate is Thursday, April 2nd.

The Falmouth Food Pantry is open the following days in March:

Mondays,	March 16:	9:00 - 11:00 AM
Tuesdays,	March 17, 24:	9:30 - 11:30 AM
Thursdays,	March 19, 26:	4:30 - 6:30 PM

Nursery News: The Children's ministry and Elena Parr are still in need of volunteers to become "on-call" nursery helpers. Please sign up on the volunteer sheet on the CE bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

FCC BUS DRIVERS Please call if you need to cancel your ride. 1st Sunday: Jack Davis, 233-1707 | 2nd Sunday: Paul Davis, 332-7268 | 3rd Sunday: Phil Pierce, 781-3769 | 4th Sunday: Ann Sanborn, 318-6906 | 5th Sunday: Mark Horton, 838-1544

Car for Sale ! The vehicle is a 2002 Ford F-150. The engine is a 4.6 L, V8 SOHC 16V; The trim is XL Super Cab, short bed. 4 WD and the style is Extended cab pickup, 4-DR; 25 gallon fuel tank and working air conditioning. Original odometer reading is about 268,000 miles. Contact Paul Davis (nevis56@gmail.com) if interested.

Instagram Follow us @Falmouth.ucc

Falmouth Congregational Church is expanding its social media presence to share the gospel and reach new people. If you would like to help in this mission, **we would love any photos you have involving the church (new or old)**, spirituality as a whole, or landscapes of the town of Falmouth. Examples could include, events held at FCC, cherished wedding/ baptism/ confirmation photos, or anything you find inspiring. Please send pictures or videos to fcc.ucc.desk@gmail.com where they will be filtered through and posted accordingly. Thank you!

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, March 15th

One Great Hour of Sharing Appeal

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Worship Service
11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship
4:00 PM Middle School Youth Group

Monday, March 16th

9:00 AM Food pantry open
7:00 PM Fiddle-icious

Tuesday, March 17th

St. Patrick's Day
9:00 AM Aerobics
9:30 AM Food Pantry
10:00 AM Bible Study: Ocean View
10:45 AM T'ai Chi
11:30 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, March 18th

9:00 AM Aerobics
6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 19th

4:30 PM Food Pantry Open
6:00 PM Lenten Supper
7:00 PM Boy Scouts Meeting

Friday, March 20th

9:00 AM Aerobics

Sunday, March 22nd

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Worship Service
11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship
11:30 AM Ministry of Education

Church Office Hours

Monday 9:30 AM- 3:00 PM, Tuesday-Thursday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Church Phone: 207.781.3413

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Just a Little Talk With Jesus

Cleavant Derricks
arranged by Amy Potter



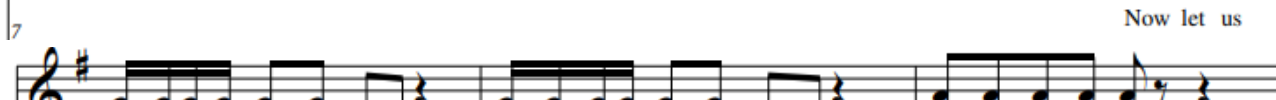
1. I once was lost in sin, but Je - sus took me in, And
2. Some-times my path seems drear, with - out a ray of cheer, And
3. I may have doubts and fears, my eyes be filled with tears, But




then a lit - tle light from heav - en filled my soul; It bathed my heart in love, and
then a cloud of doubt may hide the light of day; The mists of sin may rise, and
Je - sus is a friend who watch - es day and night; I go to Him in pray'r, He




wrote my name a - bove, And just a lit - tle talk with Je - sus made me whole.
hide the star - ry skies, But just a lit - tle talk with Je - sus clears the way.
knows my ev - 'ry care, And just a lit - tle talk with Je - sus makes it right.



Now let us
Have a lit - tle talk with Je - sus, tell Him all a - bout our trou - bles, Hear our faint - est cry,
let us He will and He will



an - swer by and by; Feel a lit - tle pray'r wheel turn - ing,
Now when you and you



know a lit - tle fire is burn - ing, Find a lit - tle talk with Je - sus makes it right.
You will it makes it right.