



Falmouth Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
An Open and Affirming Congregation
The Reverend Amelia Edson
Serving Christ and Community since 1754



10:00 AM

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 29th, 2022



THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

*If you are new to worship, welcome and please fill out a blue visitor card.
Throughout the order of worship, if print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.*

**Please stand in body or spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC “Nimrod” from “Enigma Variations” Nancy Wines-DeWan
Edward Elgar
Variations on “Holy Manna”
Southern Harmony/ Dale Wood, Wilbur Held

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE *(Please remain in your seat while passing the peace of Christ.)*

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRELUDE “Nun danket alle Gott” J. Cruger
setting by Albert Travis

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We have traveled many paths this week –

All: Yet their various ways have led us here, to worship.

One: Sometimes the way has been clear or confused;

All: Sometimes the journey has been alone or companioned;

One: Yet in all these times and with all these persons,

All: God has been with us – so let us give thanks and praise!

***HYMN** “Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us” #231

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS¹

One: As we continue in our worship, let us center ourselves and share with God the ways in which our lives have fallen short of our intentions and of God's desire for us. Let us pray together:

All: **Loving God, however much we profess our desire to journey in faith and to follow the course of discipleship, we must also confess to incomplete devotion and the straying of our spirits. Forgive us, we pray. We have turned aside from practicing reconciliation and extending mercy. We have turned toward belief systems that trivialize Your power and that harm Your creation. We have turned down opportunities to grow in spiritual stature and explore the path of service that is the way of Christ. We have turned back from accepting the challenge of steadfast commitment and receiving the fullness of Your love and grace. We seek Your forgiveness and Your guidance. Amen.**

One: The God of all creation cares passionately for each and every one of us. God heals and forgives, orders and restores, all so we might experience the abundance of life. Glory be to God.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24:13-35

Lydia Hill

THE SERMON

Rev. Diane Bennekamper

ANTHEM

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
Thomas Dorsey

Chancel Choir

THE PASTORAL PRAYER



¹ from "Hear Our Prayer" by Glen E. Rainsley United Church Press

