



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



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10:00 AM

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 18, 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.*

GATHERING MUSIC

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

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

arr. Diane Bish

WHY NOT WORSHIP? VIDEO

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: God, You make turtles that paddle

All: You make penguins that waddle

One: You make sheep so wooly

All: You make us wonderfully!

One: Strangers meet.

All: The hungry get to eat

One: This is the work of God’s kingdom.

All: And we are God’s children!

One: Help us to do our part!

All: Let us worship God, who transforms worlds and hearts!

¹ Call to worship inspired by “Come on In”

Resources for involving children in leading Call to Worship www.conversations.net.nz/

CALL TO CONFESSION

One: Let us offer our Confession: Lord, you came to earth as a tiny baby, and yet we often neglect the vulnerable, in ourselves and in our world.

All: Forgive us, O God!

One: Lord, you brood over us like a mother hen, and yet we often avoid your loving concern, believing the myth of self-sufficiency, and refusing your help.

All: Forgive us, O God!

One: Lord you are our Abba, our Father, and yet often we would rather follow the devices and desires of our own hearts, than stay within the bounds you set for us.

All: Forgive us, O God!

One: God who comforts, cajoles, chastises, and loves us, help us to look towards your model and follow in your ways.

All: God with us, forgive, sustain, and renew us, so that we might truly be family, with you and with each other.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 8:38-39)

One: God, We give thanks that you know what it means to be human

All: And love us in every stage, every age, and every moment.

All: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”

No. 190

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 113

Virginia Eddy

THE SERMON

Rev. Amelia Edson

ANTHEM

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”
Chancel Choir

Ken Medema

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

BLESSING FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*HYMN "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" No. 558

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace" No. 445

POSTLUDE "Toccatà on 'Amazing Grace'" J. Christopher Pardini

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* *Please stand in body or spirit*

Thank you to our worship participants:

Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson
Minster of Music: Jan Stover
Ushers: Sue Perry, Larry Perry
Liturgist: Virginia Eddy
Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais



Next Sunday's Lectionary

Jeremiah 32:1–3a, 6–15; Psalm 91:1–6, 14–16; 1 Timothy 6:6–19; Luke 16:19–31



*The Chancel flowers are given today by her family
in celebration of
Jeaneen Coleman's birthday*