



*Falmouth Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ*

*An Open and Affirming Congregation*

*267 Falmouth Road*

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*Serving Christ and Community since  
1754 Third Parish Church;  
1833 The Brick Church*

*The Reverend Amelia Edson*



## 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

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Oh God of Peace, we turn aside from an unquiet world

**All: We seek rest for our spirits and light for our thoughts**

One: We bring our wounds to be healed, our sins to be forgiven, our hopes to be renewed, and our better selves to be called forth.

**All: God, whose goodness is beyond our highest praise,**

One: Send to us visions of the love that is in You.

**All: And the good that may be in us. Amen**

### \*HYMN

**“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”**

John and Eunice Wilcox

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Rev. Amelia Edson

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Loving God, when we forget we are yours.

**All: Remind us of your love which formed us.**

One: When we fail to honor your image in our neighbor.

**All: Restore in us the heart of Christ for others.**

One: When we lose sight of you, and your hope for our world and for our lives.

**All: Show us your Spirit moving in and through us all.**

## **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: May we be assured of God's grace:  
The compassion of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: **God's mercy is new every morning, and great is God's faithfulness.**

## **THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

**Matthew 20:1-16** (NRSV p. 19; RSV p.20<sup>†</sup>) Jane Stegemann

## **THE SERMON**

Rev. Amelia Edson

## **ANTHEM**

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

John & Eunice Wilcox

## **\*HYMN**

"God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"

## **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.**

## **\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace"**

No.445

## **POSTLUDE**

**\* An usher will release people from the sanctuary one pew at a time.**

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 let an usher know so that we can send you a (personal, non-spam) welcome email!*

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**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

**Guest Organist:** Brian Wilson  
**Liturgist:** Jane Stegemann  
**Ushers:** Steve & Kim Hendry  
**Special Music:** Eunice & John Wilcox  
**Online Worship:** Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann,  
Jack Gervais, John Wilcox

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*The chancel flowers are given by Anne Coleman  
in celebration of Jeaneen Coleman's birthday.*

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**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE  
IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

**Maureen Grubb  
Ginny Hamilton  
Bill Graves  
Sarah Davis  
John Graustein  
Val Gray  
The Wilcox Family**



**Doris Krueger  
Myron Krueger  
Phoebe Horne  
Norm O'Brien  
Nancy Wulbrecht  
The family of Maytha Southard**

*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.*

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**Next Sunday's Lectionary**

**Matt 21:23; Philipians 2:1-9; Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32; Psalm 25: 1-9**

## **Church Office Hours**

***The church office remains closed at this time. Please call or email to make an appointment.***

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