



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 of EASTER

May 2nd, 2021



THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

GATHERING MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(We invite you to turn and greet those around you sharing the peace of Christ. Please remain in your seat.)

PRELUDE

“God So Loved the World”

John Stainer

Chancel Handbell Choir

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: Lord, as we gather to worship, open our hearts to your power moving around us and between us and within us,

All: until your glory is revealed in our love of both friend and enemy

One: Revealed in hearts, lives, and communities transformed by justice and compassion,

All: and in the healing of all that is broken. Amen.

¹ Adapted from an Eastertide prayer provided by the Vanderbilt Divinity School Library lectionary resource

PROMISES OF THE GOSPEL

One: The compassion of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

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

One: Let us believe the good news of the gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

HYMN: **“One Bread, One Body”** No. 393
Chancel Choir

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Acts 8: 26-40

Mark Horton

THE SERMON

Rev. Amelia Edson

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

HYMN: **“Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us”** No. 231
Chancel Choir

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE **“Go in Peace”** No. 445

POSTLUDE

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

Arr. Mark Hayes

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Throughout the order of worship, if print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson
Organist: Doris Krueger
Ushers: Mark and Peggy Horton
Liturgist: Jane Stegemann
Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann,
Jack Gervais, John Wilcox



Next Sunday’s Lectionary

Acts 10:44-48, Psalms 98, 1 John 5:1-6, John 15:9-17



The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Harold W. Kauffman given by Carol Kauffman and children.



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