

Falmouth Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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

The Reverend Amelia Edson

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: Let us remember the good news.

Many: We, once aliens, are now citizens of heaven.

One: We, once strangers, are now brought home in the family of God.

Many: We, once separated, are now proclaimed one people,

One: Mutually embraced in the everlasting arms,

Many: We share in each ones joys, and each ones sorrows

One: Let us then renew our strength

Many: We will worship our Sovereign, and hold fast to our hope!

HYMN

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Rev. Amelia Edson

PRAYERS 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.

¹ Based on Alexander Campbell's Communion Affirmation

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 18:21-35 Kim Hendry

ANTHEM

THE SERMON The Rev. Amelia Edson

MUSICAL MEDITATION & TIME OF PRAYER

PASTORAL 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.

THE OFFERTORY

CLOSING HYMN

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace"

POSTLUDE