



# 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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021



**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**GATHERING MUSIC**

Doris Krueger

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

**PRELUDE**

“In the Garden”

C. Austin Miles

**\* WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God of peace, we turn aside from an unquiet world, seeking rest for our spirits and light for our thoughts.

All: **We bring our work to be sanctified, our wounds to be healed, our sins to be forgiven, our hopes to be renewed, and our better selves to be quickened.**

One: God whose greatness is beyond our utmost thought, and whose goodness is beyond our highest praise, allow us to fully enter into this time of worship, and encounter You once again. **Amen.**

**HYMN**

“Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed”

Marilee Beinema

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Loving God, we lower our heads before you and confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours.

All: **We carry on our lives as if there was no God, and fall short of what you hope for us.**

One: We ask your forgiveness and for your strength.  
**All: Give us clear minds and open hearts. Remind us to be who you would have us be.**  
One: Help us to not lose sight of you, or your hopes for our world and for our lives.  
**All: In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Romans 8:38-39**

**For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God. Amen.**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

Marilee Beinema

John 3:14-21

**THE SERMON**

Rev. Amelia Edson

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

Virginia Eddy

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Amelia Edson

**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.**

**OFFERING**

**HYMN**

“The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power”

Marilee Beinema

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**      “Go in Peace”

**POSTLUDE**                      “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”                      David H. Hegarty

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**Throughout the order of worship, if print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison.  
(\*Please rise in body or spirit.**



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Presiding:                      Rev. Amelia Edson  
Organist                        Doris Krueger  
Music:                          Virginia Eddy, Marilee Beinema, Barbara Graustein  
Online Worship:              Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann,  
   Jack Gervais, John Wilcox



**Next Sunday's Lectionary**

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

***Church Staff***

***Please call or email to make an appointment.***

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