

### Falmouth Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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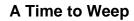
Serving Christ and Community since 1754 Third Parish Church; 1833 The Brick Church

The Reverend Amelia Edson

10:00 AM

#### **FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

March 21, 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.

PRELUDE "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" Stuart Townend

Virginia Eddy

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP1

One: Lord we gather together in search of salvation

All: We gather to worship Christ, who rescues creation from the

absurdity of sin,

One: From the emptiness and waste of death, from the forces that shatter

God living souls and pull us towards nothingness

All: Help us to hate these things with perfect hatred

One: And to love you with perfect love. **Amen.** 

**HYMN** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" No. 197

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Inspired by *The Doors of the Sea* by David Bentley Hart

#### \*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)

Jim Parr

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

John 12:20-30

THE SERMON Rev. Amelia Edson

SPECIAL MUSIC "Dona Nobis Pacem" Traditional

Marilee Beinema

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** "Go to Dark Gethsemane" No. 196

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace" No. 445

**POSTLUDE** "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Albin C. Whitworth

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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

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Presiding: Rev. Amelia Edson

Organist Doris Krueger

Ushers: Bill Nugent and Beth Stoddard

Liturgist: Jim Parr

Music: Virginia Eddy, Marilee Beinema Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann,

Jack Gervais, John Wilcox

**Next Sunday's Lectionary** 

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 11:1-11

**Church Staff** 

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