Order of Worship

Gathering Music

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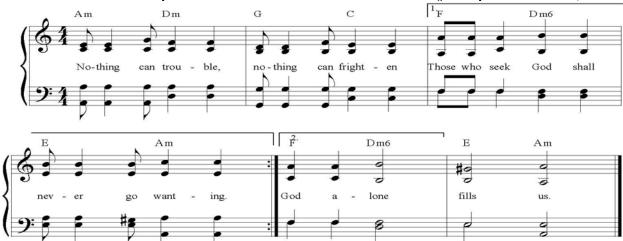
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome Rev. Will Burhans

Gathering Song

"Nothing Can Trouble" (Nada de Turbe)

Text adapted from St. Theresa of Avila/ Music by Jacques Berthier (1923-94)



Moment of Silence

Call to Worship (adapted from Armenian Sunrise Office, Matins Prayer)

Ben Pulaski

One: From the East to the West, from the North to the South,

All: All nations and peoples bless the Creator of Worlds with a new blessing.

One: O congregations of light, you who glorify the Holy Trinity in the morning light;

All: Praise God from whom all things come, both seen and unseen.

One: Praise Jesus Christ through whom all things are redeemed, both living and dead.

All: Praise the Holy Spirit by whom all things are woven together in unity, both now and forever, Amen!

*Processional Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name.

NCH #304

Affirmation of Faith (from the Iona Community)

Kathleen Zagata

We believe in God whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by those who fear what they might lose in the face of love, and whose love is our glorious promise of freedom, even freedom from death itself. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the Spirit of love, And in the company of the faithful so to be the church, for the glory of God, Amen!

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

*An Act of Praise

PH #513 Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Creator and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; World without end, amen, amen.

Time for the Young

Ben Pulaski

Liturgist: Kevin Dunn

Scripture

Mark 10:13-16

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." 16 And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Sermon

"Getting Down and Dirty"

Rev. Will Burhans

Quiet Time for Reflection

Offertory

Anthem

"Ave Verum" from Stabat Mater [2008]

Traditional Latin/Karl Jenkins (b. 1944)

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary,

having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind,

from whose pierced side water and blood flowed:

Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death!

O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken Hymn

NCH #346

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Invitation

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(Communion this morning is by intinction. Please come forward by the center aisle, receive the elements by dipping the bread in the juice and partaking. Return to your seat by the side aisles. Deacons will gladly bring the elements out to those who are unable to come forward. All the bread is gluten free.)

Closing Prayer

Rev. Judy Arnold

*Closing Hymn

Lord of all hopefulness

please see insert

Benediction

Passing of the Peace of Christ

^{*}Those who are able, please stand **PH** indicates Pilgrim Hymnal (red) **NCH** indicates New Century Hymnal (black)

Postlude

Partita on "Slane" – VI. Melody in the Soprano

Daniel Pinkham (1923-2006)

Today's Worship Service

P&D Fund

On Communion Sundays you will find envelopes for the Pastors' & Deacons' Fund. This fund offers monetary aid to congregation members who are experiencing an urgent need for financial crisis assistance. Please consider a donation as part of your worship today.

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our families by Rick Forzese and Julianne Zimmerman. The Narthex flowers are in loving memory of John E. and Louise H. Allen, by their family.

Meet Our Church

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We are a Christ-centered, nurturing community: growing in faith, serving in love, welcoming all with joy.

The Congregation, Ministers To The World

Rev. William Burhans, Lead Pastor

Rev. Ms. Judith B. Arnold, Associate Pastor

Ms. Kathleen Zagata, RN, MS, CS, Minister of Congregational Health & Wellness

Ms. Jane Ring Frank, Minister of Music & Worship Arts

Mr. Ben Pulaski, Minister of Faith Formation: Children & Youth

Ms. Sarah Marino, Office Manager

Mr. Tyler Campbell, Sexton

Mr. Ed Banzy, Building Manager

Mr. Bill Lewis, Custodian

Mr. Jeffrey Mead, Organist

Rev. Dr. Kenneth Orth, Pastoral Counselor (Affiliate)

October 7, 2018

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 Worship Service

People for Whom We Are Praying ...

<u>Name</u> <u>Purpose</u>

The Thomas Mahoney Family For comfort at the passing of Paul Mahoney

Alice, friend of John Keeley For strength

Althea Shirley For continued peace and acceptance in her cancer journey

Barbara Hoekelman Healing and comfort

Caroline For healing

Rachel, friend of Mike Redding For healing from cancer

Janet Snover For continued strength in her battle against brain cancer

Please let the Deacons or Ministry Team know

if you have someone to add or remove from this list.

Upcoming Events

You are invited to FCCW's Progressive Dinner!

Saturday, November 3, 5:30-10 PM This is an adults-only event

How it Works: Three courses are served at three different locations. We'll start all together for appetizers at Elizabeth & David Page's home, then split off into small groups for dinner, and then meet in larger groups at one of 2 or 3 host homes for dessert and socializing.

Sign up on our homepage to:

Host Dinner (for 8-10) Host Dessert (for 25-40)

Bring an entrée Bring a side dish Bring an appetizer Bring a dessert

Any questions, just ask Susan Rozmanith rozmanith@hotmail.com or 781-771-7211

Winchester Teen Interfaith Experience Sunday, October 14, 10 AM Town Common

All teenagers are invited to learn about major world religions, visit houses of worship, and observe (or participate in) traditional worship services through the Interfaith Teen Experiences project. Each month, teens are invited to visit a different faith community. Youth leaders, religious leaders, and teens will welcome them and talk about their faith.

All middle and high school students are welcome. Show up each month or just come to the Experiences that you're most interested in. Whether you belong to a faith community; are spiritual but not religious; are an agnostic or atheist, or something else--you are welcome. This is an educational series intended to build understanding and create bridges across beliefs.

The first Teen Interfaith Experience is on October 14 at 10 a.m. at the First Congregational Church, 21 Church Street, Winchester. Join a progressive Protestant Christian denomination, the United Church of Christ, for its annual Blessing of the Animals outside on the Town Common (across from the Church; feel free to bring your own animal). Afterward, join other teens at the Church for snacks, icebreakers, and information about the Church and denomination.

FCC Monthly Men's Group

Sunday October 14, 7-9 PM, 4 Heritage Drive, Woburn (Paul and Lynne Rahmeier's house)

All FCC men and their guests are welcome We discuss matters that are personal and spiritual. Potluck beverages or snacks are welcome but not expected. Questions to chris.noble@yahoo.com.

969 Lord of all hopefulness



3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,

be there at our homing and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Text and music arrangement @ Oxford University Press

4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,

be there at our sleeping and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Jan Struther (1901–53)

Health Ministry Corner:

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training: Saturday, October 13th at Winchester High School.

Mental Health First Aid helps a person assist someone experiencing a mental health or substance use-related crisis. Attendees learn risk factors and warning signs for mental health and addiction concerns, strategies for how to help someone in both crisis and non-crisis situations, and where to turn for help. The registration deadline is October 10th. Sign up by emailing Amber Haines at ahaines@winchesterps.org

"A Guided Sensory Walk in Nature" - All Church Outdoor Event Sunday, October 21 at 2 pm.

Take time to immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of our local natural environment. Studies have proven the health benefits of guided slow walks where we take time to reconnect with the natural world and forget about the stress of a modern, high-tech life. The guided meditation will be held in Winchester and adapted for all ages and abilities including a nursery-school age program for our young families. To learn more, contact Health Ministry Member Branda Wilhoite at brandawilhoite@verizon.net

Help Urgently needed for the people of Indonesia

On Friday, September 28, a 7.4 magnitude earthquake hit Central Sulawesi, Indonesia and triggered a devastating tsunami that swept through Palu City, also affecting Donggala. More than 1,400 fatalities have been confirmed, with more than 632 injured, 99 missing and 152 requiring immediate rescue. More than 60,000 people are being housed in 109 evacuation sites. Casualty numbers continue to rise. On top of everything, a volcano on Sulawesi erupted Wednesday, October 3.

This disaster has created a state of crisis. Affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs such as access to sufficient food, safe shelter and basic non-food items, basic health services and facilities, safe drinking water, and sanitation and hygiene infrastructure.

Hit hardest are the elderly, children, people with disabilities, and women, especially pregnant or nursing. There is a pressing need to provide immediate assistance to minimize loss of life and to ensure that the needs of the most vulnerable are covered first.

UCC's Response

UCC Disaster Ministries has sent a solidarity grant to support Global Ministries partner PGI (National Communion of Churches) in Indonesia as it responds to the compounding tragedy in Sulawesi, Indonesia. PGI's vice general secretary has met with churches in Palu, and PGI is mobilizing volunteers along with critically needed food and non-food aid.

UCC Disaster Ministries also is in touch with the ecumenical ACT Alliance and other disaster response agencies to support recovery efforts as assessments are currently underway. Initial assistance is likely to include funding for health services, food and non-food items through ACT Indonesia Forum.

You can go onto the UCC website and donate http://www.ucc.org/donate_to_disaster_relief or you can send a check made payable to the United Church of Christ, with "International Emergency Relief Fund" in the memo.. Mail to: United Church of Christ c/o Financial Services, 700 Prospect Ave E, Cleveland OH 44115-1100

Jazz Blessing of the Animals 2018 Sunday, October 14, 10 AM, Town Common Rain location: Chidley Hall

Please join us at 10:00 a.m. on the Town Common where we will swing, celebrate and give thanks for all of God's creatures, blessing our animal companions. We welcome all pets - furry, scaly, hairy, feathery and even plush! Photos of beloved pet companions are welcome in place of those who can't be there. And a special seating section will be set aside for those who are more comfortable sitting away from the animals. To serenade both congregation and pets, FCC's own house band (Cam McPherson, keyboard; Drew McPherson, trombone; Sven Larson, bass; Rick Forzese, drums) will offer jazz music before, during and after the service. We will sing and move and praise all of creation with fun and upbeat music, readings, prayers and blessings. From "Amazing Grace" to "All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir," there will be an opportunity to sing, to pray, to listen and to share our cherished pet companions. At the conclusion of the service, please join us for fellowship time with coffee and cider on the common.



Welcome!

We are happy you have joined us today for worship. We hope that in the coming hour of quiet, song, prayer, sacred scripture, and communal gathering, you will awaken more fully to God's presence in your life and the world around us.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located down the stairs as you first enter the front doors of the church.

Accessibility

We now have an inductive hearing loop for those whose hearing aids have Telecoil (ask your audiologist). Listening devices are also available in the back. For our coffee hour in Chidley Hall, an elevator is located out the doors to the right of the front chancel area and down the hall. Please ask a greeter if you need assistance.

Childcare

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary! We appreciate the sounds of little ones among us. If you'd prefer, there are trained caregivers in our a nursery on the floor beneath the sanctuary. Ask a greeter if you need help finding it.

Family Room

There is also a comfortable room with water, sofas, chairs, carpet and a video link to the service for when you need more room to attend to your family. It is located just outside the doors to the right of the front chancel area.

Children (Stepping Stones) and Youth Church School

Classes for children and youth in pre-k through 12th grade are taught during worship. Families begin the worship service together in the sanctuary. Children are then invited to join us at the front (if they are comfortable) for the Time for the Young. Afterwards, the children and youth are led to their classrooms by their teachers.

Get connected!

Please tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer by filling out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card found in each pew and place it in the offering plate when it passes. We look forward to getting to know you at Coffee Hour, held downstairs immediately following the service.