

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Herzlich lieb hab ich dich, o Herr

J.L. Krebs (1713-80)

Welcome

Rev. Judy Arnold

A Time of Silence

Prelude

Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend (vs. 2)

J.G. Walther (1684-1748)

Call to Worship (adapted from Isidore of Seville (c. 560-636)

Rev. Will Burhans

One: May our God of greatness and wonder, who created the heavens and made them sparkle with light and beauty, who made the earth, verdant and green, reveal Godself in every living thing. Let not our eyes be blind, our ears be stopped, or our hearts be hardened, but let us learn anew to praise God with our whole being, even as the lark, which offers her song at daybreak!

All: **Amen, let us worship together!**

*Processional Hymn

O How Glorious, Full of Wonder

NCH #558

*Gathering Prayer (from Steven Charleston's "Cloud Walking")

Kathleen Zagata

Blessed God, when our time comes to hear applause, let us listen with humility. When our time comes to admit mistakes, let us do so with honesty. When we are to speak let it be truth as best as we know it, when silent then attentive to what we may learn. When we receive let it be with thanks, when we give let it be with joy. When we must wait to wait in patience, when we must choose then choose most wisely. When our time comes to carry pain, let us do so uncomplaining, when doing justice then with courage unflinching, and when leaving this life with peace our souls embracing!

*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 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

Gloria Patri

PH #513

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.

Sacrament of Baptism

Maddison Brek Nordstrom

*Hymn

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

NCH #325

Scripture

Luke 6:27-38 NRSV translation

Luke 6:27-38 The Message translation

Liturgist: Laura and Mike Bailey

NT pg. 64, LP NT pg. 56

Sermon

"Is There Room Enough?"

Rev. Will Burhans

Quiet Time for Reflection

Prayers of the People

Rev. Judy Arnold

Offertory

Anthem

Bright Morning Star's Arising

Trad. Shaker Hymn as heard at Holy Cross Episcopal Church, Tryon, NC

Bright mornin' star's arising, Day is a breakin' in my soul.
O where are our dear mothers? Day is a breakin' in my soul.
They are down in the valley prayin', Day is a breakin' in my soul.
O where are our dear fathers? Day is breakin' in my soul.
They have gone to heaven shouting, Day is breakin' in my soul.
Bright mornin' star's arising, Day is breakin' in my soul.

Peter Owens & Susan K. Navien, soloists

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above you heavenly host, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

NCH #780

*Closing Hymn

Help Us Accept Each Other

NCH #388

Benediction

Passing of the Peace of Christ

(Please offer "peace" or "The peace of Christ" to your neighbor as you depart)

Postlude

Giga

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

*You are invited to join together for coffee hour down in Chidley Hall,
just head downstairs and towards the back of the church facility until you find the large hall.
This month coffee hour is hosted by the Personnel Ministry*

Today's Worship Service

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Sally Finn. The Narthex flowers are given in honor of her mother, Mrs. W. Haven Sherburne, both by Mr. Jay Finn.

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. 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)

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

10:00 Worship Service

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 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.

People for Whom We Are Praying ...

<u>Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Family of Alice Blasi, mother of Alex Rohall	In their grief
Terry Arnold, Judy's brother	For strength, healing and comfort
Carol Johnson	For successful recovery from rotator cuff surgery
Katherine Steffey, Laurie Roby's niece	Prayers of comfort, strength, and peace (stage 4 colon cancer)
Alex Rohall's cousin, Sandra,	prayers for courage of spirit during her present medical evaluation
Chessie Quinn	Healing from breast cancer
Susan Zimmerman, Julianne's mother	For stabilization and relief from pain; and comfort for her family
The Zimber and Moorman Families	For healing and peace
Bruce Lauterwasser	For strength and healing during this current course of chemotherapy
Alice, friend of John Keeley	For strength
Barbara Hoekelman	Healing and comfort

Please let the Deacons or Ministry Team know if you have someone to add or remove from this list.

News & Upcoming Events

Ruth Group

Sunday, Feb 24 at 7 PM

Carole Cooke's house 433 Main St. in Winchester

This month Ruth Group is reading The History of Love by Nicole Krauss

Decaf coffee & tea and simple desserts are offered by the host. You are welcome whether or not you have read the book. New participants are always welcome to join in the fellowship and discussion.

Carole Cooke is hosting and facilitating at 433 Main St, Winchester.

ISLAM - The First Steps

Sunday, March 3 at 11:30 in the Palmer Room

On March 3, the Adult Faith Exploration Ministry will begin a series about the three religions that share Abraham as an ancestor. They are Christianity, Judaism and Islam. We begin with an introduction to Islam through video addressing history, beliefs and practices. This first step is designed as an overview. It is our hope that it will create a desire for more knowledge and for widening our concept of community. We will be learning together without any pretense that another religion can be really understood from the outside. This is an "11th hour" - after worship from 11:30 to 1:00 - with a light lunch. We hope you will join us for this study.

FCC Monthly Men's Group

Sunday March 3, 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

Ripley, Believe It or Not!

Are you interested in brainstorming, exploring and beginning to piece together plans for what might happen in Ripley Chapel for the 2019/2020 program year? The Ripley renovation should be done by the end of this Spring and ready for the launching of cool things! A concert series? Poetry readings? Youth Coffee House? Art exhibits? An alternative worship service? Meditation and Yoga? Email Rev. Will (william.burhans@gmail.com) if you are interested in thinking boldly and creatively about possibilities for Ripley Chapel!

Join the Sunday morning Sanctuary A/V Team

Are you delighted by the sights and sounds of our Sunday morning worship services? Help others to hear and see as well. Volunteers are needed to operate the system that controls the sound, provides live video streaming to the nursery and Family rooms, and captures the sermon videos you see in the weekly email.

No heavy tech wizardry is required. During the service, sound is controlled from the pews by a simple iPad app. Training and step-by-step instructions are provided. Contact John Crabtree (jcrabmail@gmail.com or 781-710-5696).

Build a Bed Workshop

Saturday, March 16 at 9:30 AM

A Bed for Every Child is a program of the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless created five years ago to provide beds for children whose families could not afford separate beds for their children resulting in tired and unfocused children who could not learn adequately in school. To meet the demand for beds the Coalition recently created the Build-A-Bed project offering a sponsored volunteer opportunity for organizations to assemble teams with limited or no carpentry skills to build, sand and paint twin beds for delivery to children in need.

This fun filled task will provide great benefit to twelve kids in need of a bed. Please let Ben or Bill McCarter know of your availability by email of verbal acknowledgment at your earliest convenience. Contact Ben at ben.pulaski@gmail.com or via the Church phone or Bill at whmccarter@comcast.net or at (781) 729-3892. Pizza will be available upon completion of construction.

TALENT SHOW

Talent Show

On March 1st, the youth will be hosting a fundraiser, which benefits the youth mission trip this year, that includes a talent show (and also a baked potato bar and make your own sundaes.) The event starts at 6pm and the talent part of it will begin around 645pm. This is open to all people of the church, both young and wise. The suggestion donation is \$20 per person or \$60 per family and all proceeds help cover the costs of our mission trips. We are asking that you reserve tickets ahead of time so we know roughly how many will be attending but don't fret, there will be tickets available at the door as well. Please email ben.pulaski@gmail.com and let Ben know how many tickets you would like.