

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Ricercar primo

Girolamo Cavazzoni (1520-77)

Welcome

Rev. Will Burhans

Prelude

Leibster Jesu, wir sind hier (BWV 731)

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Moment of Silence

Call to Worship (From Amos 5)

One: Seek God and live,

All: and let justice roll down like mighty waters

One: Seek good and not evil

All: And may righteousness roll like an ever-flowing stream

One: Love goodness and establish justice,

All: And the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to you.

One: Come let us worship our God

All: Who leads us in the way of righteousness, justice and peace. Amen

*Processional Hymn

Morning Has Broken

Pilgrim Hymnal #38

Gathering Prayer

Kathleen Zagata

Gather us, O God, into the household of grace, the fold of your love. We recognize your holy presence, and are turned to toward a new day by the rising of the light of Christ. Help us to face this day, and all of our days, with the hope and promise made full for us in the person of Jesus Christ. May we encounter him in this time of worship and carry him with us in all we do. Hear us as we pray in Jesus' words...

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.

Time for the Young

*Hymn

Take My Life, God, Let It Be

New Century Hymnal #448

Scripture

Luke 16:1-16

NT pg.68, LP NT pg. 79

Sermon

Rev. Judy Arnold

Quiet Time for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Will Burhans

Offertory

Anthem

"More Love" from *Songs for the Journey* [2006]

Kevin Siegfried (b. 1969)

Shaker Song Texts/adapted by the composer

O we have found a lovely vine in this valley blooming,
whose blossoms shoot and promise fruit that's beautiful and cheering.
More love, the heavens are blessing.
More love, the angels are calling, more love.
Its verdant branches spread so wide, it shades the meek and lowly,
its dazzling light does shine so bright, it truly fills the valley. More love.
We'll plant it and sow it and everyday grow it. More love.

*Doxology

NCH #780

**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.**

*Closing Hymn

O Jesus, I Have Promised

NCH #493

Benediction

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Postlude

Jesu, wollst uns weisen

Heinrich Scheidemann (1596-1663)

*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 being hosted by the Coffee Hour Committee.*

Today's Worship Service

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of my entire family, given by Mike Redding.

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September 22, 2019

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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. Just head downstairs and towards the back of the church facility until you find the large hall, or follow the signs or pick up a laminated map to help guide you.

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

People for Whom We Are Praying ...

<u>Names</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Barbara Hoekelman, Laurie Roby's sister-in law	For peace and relief in the final stages of leukemia
Sarah Hebb Carpenter	For strength and healing from surgery on 9/9.
Olivia	For support in finding her way back.
Nick, friend of Christine Atkins & Frank Willwerth	For recovery from a traumatic brain injury suffered in a motorcycle accident.
Janet Snover	For strength in Rehab to recover fully from her stairs fall.
Kneiss Family	For the death of Aaron's Aunt Sally.
Susan Neill and the Richter Family	For the tragic death of Uncle Steve and an unknown 17-month old.
Patricia, friend of the Dwelling Place	For strength and comfort in learning her cancer has spread to her liver.
Family & friends of Joe Nagle, Pamela Balfanz's brother-in-law	In their grief.
Jessica Brand	For healing.
Melanie and Susan, sisters of Robin Delurey & Janet Brewer	Recovering from surgeries.
Martha George	For strength as she returns home.
Kris, Laura Bailey's brother-in-law	For healing, after recent cancer diagnosis.
Bill McCarter	For healing.
Susan Zimmerman, Julianne's mother	For stabilization & relief from pain; and comfort for her family.

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

Upcoming Events

Family Nutrition Made Easy

Family Nutrition Made Easy is a workshop to help families reduce dinnertime drama and to get children eating healthier foods. Scheduled for Wednesdays, 1-2 pm from September 25th to October 30th. The series is free of charge and will be held at the North Suburban YMCA, 137 Lexington St, Woburn. Open to parents and young children. Grandparents and nannies are welcome. For details, contact Kristen Herlihy at kristen@411healthandwellness.com.

Last Friday Morning Yoga is this Friday.

September 27 9:30-10:45 AM at FCC in the Palmer room. For details and to sign up, email phgaither@gmail.com. Namaste! ~Pam Gaither.

Adult Faith Exploration Offering

"From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians" is a historical documentary that tells the epic story of the rise of Christianity. It continues Adult Faith Exploration Ministry's series about the three religions that share Abraham as an ancestor – Christianity, Judaism and Islam. The series will be shown on four Sundays after worship: 9/29, 10/6, 10/27 and 11/3. The first program on Sunday, September 29 at 11:30 will examine how Judaism and Roman rule shaped Jesus' life. We hope you can join us.

Outdoor Church

Sunday, September 29th is our next opportunity to serve at The Outdoor Church of Cambridge. We need sandwich ingredients, sandwich makers and 2-3 volunteers to pass out sandwiches to the homeless in Harvard & Central Squares." If you're able to help with this outreach ministry please use the sign-up genius or contact Lisa Loughlin, lisa3abp@aol.com.