

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Nun laßt uns Gott, dem Herren

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Welcome

Rev. Will Burhans

A Time of Silence

Prelude

Andante

César Franck (1822-90)

Call to Worship

Rev. Judy Arnold

One: As the earth, so beautiful, so life-giving, receives and reflects the light of the sun,
so may we receive and reflect the Creator Spirit's love.

All: **May our lives receive and reflect God's love and may our time of worship
together open us and prepare us for this call, in Jesus' name.**

*Processional Hymn

Praise to the Living God

NCH #8

*Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Kathleen Zagata

Leader: Jesus, truly God, truly human, truly infinite, truly frail.

Right: **Your greatness holds the universe,
Your lovely countenance attracts our hearts,**

Left: *Your goodness beckons all that is good in us, Your wisdom searches us,*

Right: **Your truth sheds light on our darkness,
Your generosity enriches our poverty,**

Left: *Your friendship consoles the unwanted,
Your strength turns away all evils,*

Right: **Your justice deters wrong-doing, Your power conquers hell,**

Left: *Your love-enflamed heart kindles our cold hearts,
Your miraculous hand bestows blessings,*

Right: **Your sweet and holy name rejoices all who love You
and Your mercy brings forgiveness,**

Leader: Have mercy on us and inspire in us mercy towards others,
in Your humble and blessed name, we pray...

**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.**

A Time for the Young

*Hymn

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

NCH# 173

Scripture

Isaiah 9:1-4
Matthew 4:12-23

Liturgist: Andy Richter
OT pg. 638, LP OT pg.597
NT pg.3, LP NT pg. 3

Sermon

"Hook, Line, and Sinker"

Rev. Will Burhans

A Quiet Time for Reflection

Offertory

Anthem
Vast Ocean of Light [2019]

Music: Carson Cooman (b. 1982)
Text: Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)

Vast Ocean of light, whose rays surround
The Universe, who know'st not ebb, nor shore,
Who lend'st the Sun his sparkling drop, to store
With overflowing beams Heav'n, air, ground,
Whose depths beneath the Center none can sound,
Whose heights 'bove Heav'n, and thoughts so lofty soar,
Whose breadth no feet, no lines, no chains, no eyes survey,
Whose length no thoughts can reach, no worlds can bound,
What cloud can mask thy face? where can thy ray
Find an Eclipse? what night can hide Eternal Day?

*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

Prayers of the People

Rev. Judy Arnold

*Closing Hymn

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

NCH # 495

Benediction

Passing of the Peace of Christ

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

Postlude

Herr Christ, der einge Gottessohn (BWV 601)

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Healing Circle in Ripley Chapel

*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.
In January, Coffee Hour is being hosted by the choir.*

Meet Our Church

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The Congregation, Ministers to the World

Rev. William Burhans, Lead Pastor

Rev. Ms. Judith B. Arnold, Associate Pastor

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

Jane Ring Frank, Minister of Music & Worship Arts

Ben Pulaski, Minister of Faith Formation: Children & Youth

Sarah Marino, Office Manager

Ed Banzy, Building Manager

Bill Lewis, Building Superintendent

Mr. Jeffrey Mead, Organist

Brianna Connolly, Nursery Supervisor

Jose Foronda, Bookkeeper

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

January 26, 2020

Third Sunday After Epiphany

10:00 Worship Service

Children Check In

Please scan this QR Code to check in your children (pre-k through 8th grade) if they will be going off to their classrooms.



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 & Navigation

We have an inductive hearing loop for those whose hearing aids have Telecoil. 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. We have signs and laminated maps to help guide you around our building.

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 outfitted with a changing table, toys, rocking chairs, couches, a water bubbler 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 8th 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.

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>
Sarah Hebb Carpenter	For continued healing.
Janet Snover	For strength to rehab after two strokes.
Dick Roby	For healing, courage, and peace.
Helen Scoville & George Roby	For courage as they help their father make decisions on his care.
Jane Ring Frank	For healing.
Suzanne White	For courage and comfort in her struggle with cancer.
Don Martin, brother in law of Becky & Trent Parkhill	For healing and strength during chemotherapy.
Eli Paxinos, 16-month-old great nephew of Tony & Pam McPherson	For comfort and care in his hospitalization while doctors seek a diagnosis.
Mimi Steffen, friend of Mike Redding	Healing as she recovers from a brain hemorrhage.
Bruce Lauterwasser	As he continues this round of chemotherapy.
Janet Brewer	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.

Today's Worship Service

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.

Q&A Session: Sunday, January 26th at 11:30 AM

An informal presentation of FCCW's proposed 2020 budget will be given in the Palmer Room on Sunday January 26th at 11:30 AM. This is a great opportunity to learn about how our budget works and to ask questions about our sources of revenue, how the proposed budget was created, what we have budgeted for every area of the church's work, and anything else that might be of interest to you. Grab a cup of coffee from coffee hour and then come up to the Palmer Room to hear about this year's proposed budget, as well as a recommendation from the Leadership Team to make funds available from the Steeple Income Temporarily Endowed Fund for the repair of the church steeple.

Ripley Chapel Healing Circle

TODAY immediately after worship: An invitation to pray what is on your heart in community. A contemplative healing practice designed for those experiencing pain, grief, illness or burden. Connect deeply to the love, grace, and serenity that God offers us. Childcare is available.

News & Upcoming Events

Ripley Presents: *Through an Open Window* Friday, January 31 from 7-9 PM in Ripley Chapel

On Friday, January 31, we will launch our first art exhibit in the renovated Ripley Chapel. All the artist are members and/or friends of the First Congregational Church. They are: oil painter, **Tracy Vartenigian Burhans**; **Stephen Haggett**, acrylics and mosaics; oil painter, **Barry McArdle**; **Karen Swyers**, watercolors and acrylics; and fabric artist, **Kiyomi Yatsuhashi**. The opening reception will be from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on January 31. We have titled it *Through an Open Window* because the newly installed clear glass window overlooking Wedge Pond draws us to it and beyond. The Artists will be with us and will be happy to talk with you about their work and inspiration. Admission is free, including the reception. Some of the art works will be for sale, and a portion of the proceeds will benefit the Ripley Programming Fund. The exhibit will remain in place through February 14. We hope you will join us for what we hope will be the first of many opportunities for local and church artists and artisans to share their work with the community.

It's Time to Vote on the Budget – Join the Conversation!

Congregational Vote: Sunday, February 2nd immediately after worship

After worship, members will gather in the sanctuary to vote on whether to accept the 2020 budget recommended by the Leadership Team, and to vote on the Leadership Team's recommendation to make funds available from the Steeple Income Temporarily Endowed Fund for the repair of the church steeple. Please see the warrant for this special congregational meeting.

Gratitude

We are indebted to our Treasurer Bruce Lauterwasser, Associate Treasurer Anne Hoenicke, and the members of the Budget Working Group (Bruce Alexander - Facilities, Will Burhans - Ministry Team, Tom Roche - Financial Resources, Liz Sayre - Personnel, Jody Collins Skinner - Outreach, and Nick Wankowicz – Children & Youth Faith Formation) for their hard work, patience, and guidance in compiling the 2020 budget.

Thank you!

The Leadership Team: Moderator Sarah Gallop, Deirdre Giblin, David Peretti, Marty Rozmanith, Cindy Wankowicz, Jennifer Wilson, and Peter Woolford

Call for Deacons

Interested in serving the church in a meaningful and fun way that makes you feel more connected to the congregation and deepens your faith?

Please consider joining our team of Deacons! The position is flexible, rewarding, and collaborative...and you'll expand your vocabulary, with words like "narthex" and "bobeches!"

Also this year, after thoughtful and prayerful consideration, we invite Life Deacons to consider an additional term on the Diaconate. If interested, we believe your experience and know-how would be a tremendous benefit.

If you'd like to discuss, explore, or ask questions about serving as a Deacon, please reach out to any current member of the Diaconate. We'd love to talk with you.

In faith,

Michelle Crawford (781) 367-7725

Aaron Kneiss (617) 230-9639

Leigh DuPuy Carlisle, Jenny Splaine, Carrie Ehrbar, Kathy Mortensen, Margaret McIndoe, Megan Scipione, Nick Troisi

Lost and Found: Missing your favorite gloves, sunglasses, or trusty umbrella??

Please check out the Lost and Found area located in the church lobby, on the base shelf of the coat rack. We had a lot more additions to the Lost and Found basket over the holidays, so if you have a family member or friend that attended any of those services with you, please check to see if they may have left something behind. Our plan is to donate unclaimed items by the end of January. Thank you!

Environmental Ministries

Winchester has renewed its favorable electric power agreement, and all households signed up for the WinPower program through DYNEGY can not only save money over other producers but also have a greater proportion be from renewable sources. Furthermore, for a small rate increase you can opt for electricity from 100% renewable sources. Call 866-220-5696. Leaflets are available in the church office. And if you are interested in getting more LED light bulbs, they are available in great variety at the Habitat Restore at 647 Andover Street in Lawrence for only 99 cents apiece!