

# Order of Worship

## Gathering Music

*Variations on "St. Denio"*

Christa Rakich (b. 1952)

## Welcome

Rev. Judy Arnold

## A Time of Silence

## Prelude

*Ave verum corpus*

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

## Call to Worship

Rev. Will Burhans

One: God is everlasting mercy and the fountain of all blessings and so we bring to this time of worship our whole selves and present ourselves before God.

**All: We are the old who see the end of life, the young who know not its trials, and those in the mid-years who feel its burden and care.**

One: We are and represent all those who need God's loving presence to dawn upon their lives.

**All: And so we lift our hearts in praise and prayer, beseeching You to gather us under the shadow of Your wing, that the aspiring good in us may become real and clear as we move through these days.**

One: Let us worship together in Jesus' name.

## \*Processional Hymn

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

NCH #8

## Call to Confession

Kathleen Zagata

## \*Prayer of Confession

Holy and loving God, we would lead with love in our lives but sometimes indifference shadows our interactions. We would be generous beyond measure, but too often fear leads us to measure out our giving. We would be gentle and kind but at times our own frustrations boil over and hurt the people around us. We would be prayerful and trusting of You but sometimes we rush in to handle it ourselves and make matters worse. To your loving-kindness we bring these failings and all the nameless needs of our hearts knowing that you alone can grant us consolation and redemption. May our days mark our growth into nobler ways of living in service to the truth as it is known in Jesus Christ our Lord in whose name we pray, amen.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

### 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.**

## A Time for the Young

Ben Pulaski

## Scripture

Psalm 15

Matthew 5:1-12

Liturgist: Rev. Judy Arnold

OT pg. 495, LP OT pg.458

NT pg.4, LP NT pg. 3

## Sermon

"A Beatitude Attitude"

Rev. Will Burhans

## A Quiet Time of Reflection

## Offertory

Anthem

*O Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord* [2019]

Ethan McGrath/Psalm 95: 1-7

O come, let us sing unto the Lord:

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,

and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the deep places of the earth:

The strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us sing unto the Lord...

## \*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.**

## Sacrament of Holy Communion

**Hymn of Preparation**

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

NCH #337

**Invitation**

**Prayer of Consecration**

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

(The Deacons will distribute the bread and cup in the pews this morning. Everyone is welcome to partake but if you choose not to please pass the plate to the person beside you. All the bread is gluten free and the cups are filled with grape juice.)

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** (by Beth Merrill Neel)

**O Jesus, our beloved, we give you thanks for inviting us to your table and sharing your feast. May we know that we have been fed with love and grace, and may we follow you out in the world, ambassadors of your hope and peace. Amen.**

## \*Closing Hymn

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

NCH # 495

## Benediction

## Passing of the Peace of Christ

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

## Postlude

*Praeambulum*

Heinrich Scheidemann (1595-1663)

# Meet Our Church

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## The Congregation, Ministers to the World

Rev. William Burhans, Lead Pastor  
Rev. 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)

**February 2, 2020**  
Fourth 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>  |
|--|---|
| Jodie Mullane                            | For upcoming shoulder surgery.                                    |
| Rev. Lucy Sanders                        | For healing.  |
| Don, Becky & Trent's brother-in-law      | Prayers for surgical recovery and rehab.                          |
| Nai'Quan Hamilton                        | For God's mercy and grace to be present in his trial              |
| 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,                              | For healing and strength during chemotherapy.                     |
| brother in law of Becky & Trent Parkhill |   |
| Mimi Steffen, friend of Mike Redding     | Healing as she recovers from a brain hemorrhage.                  |
| Bruce Lauterwasser                       | As he continues this round of chemotherapy.                       |
| 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 loving memory of Helen & R. Gilman Wallace and their parents, by their children Susan & David and their families.

### 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.

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

#### Congregational Vote: TODAY 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

## News & Upcoming Events

**Ripley Presents: "ALL ABOUT LOVE" – A TRUE VALENTINE'S DAY TREAT!  
Ute Gfrerer and Scott Nicholas bring sultry to Cupid's Special Day.  
Friday, February 14 7:30 in Ripley Chapel**

Please join us on Friday, February 14, 2020, 7:30 pm in the newly renovated Ripley Chapel for a dynamic and inspiring evening that features acclaimed international songstress Ute Gfrerer, with local superstar pianist, Scott Nicholas. Ms. Gfrerer's multi-faceted voice and extensive repertoire range from classical opera to operetta, from musical theatre to cabaret, chansons, and lieder, and she will offer selections from Kurt Weill, Stephen Sondheim, Leonard Bernstein, Friedrich Hollaender ("Falling in Love Again" – think Marlene Dietrich!) and Edith Piaf.

Childcare will be provided. Tickets are \$10 general admission for Adults; 18 years old and under are free of charge. To order tickets, please go to Brown Paper Tickets:  
<https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4510141> or <http://bit.ly/FCCWCabaret>

### Ripley Chapel Lenten Retreat

*The Open Door of Blessing* will be held Saturday, March 14, 10 am to 2 pm. The Beatitudes will be the doorway to contemplation and conversation. Shaped by sacred text, the visual arts and poetry, Rev Jonathan Carey Goodell will lead the retreat sponsored by Health Ministry. Learn more at coffee hour today.

### 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

### FCC Monthly Men's Group

**Sunday February 9, 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. Pot-luck beverages or snacks are welcome but not expected. Questions to [chris.noble@yahoo.com](mailto:chris.noble@yahoo.com).

### Scammers Pretending to Be Clergy

Please note that scamming emails have been sent under Rev. William Burhans' name requesting gift cards from members of the church but with a sham account.

We've learned through our denomination that this is happening with many other churches as well. See this article from our Conference website which lays out some actions you can take to ensure authenticity: <https://www.sneucc.org/newsdetail/scammers-pretend-to-be-local-clergy-and-conference-staff-13177774> And please note that if you receive an email from any address other than - [william.burhans@gmail.com](mailto:william.burhans@gmail.com), even if it has his name attached to it, it is not from him.

If you would like an actual email and note of care and connection from Rev. Will he'd be happy to send one to you!