

# 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

*Récit*

Louis Marchand (1669-1732)

## Call to Worship

Rev. Will Burhans

One: May the God who brought us from the rest of last night to the light of this new day,

**All: Bring us from the light of this day to the guiding light of eternity.**

One: Let us raise our voices in praise, song and prayer,

**All: And let us raise up our souls to catch the vision of God's love and God's purposes for this renewed world.**

One: In Jesus' blessed name we gather and worship!

## \*Processional Hymn

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

PH #251

## \*Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Kathleen Zagata

(based upon an Iona Community prayer by Sundar Singh)

**O Lord God, we seek from You no other gift but Yourself, who is the giver of life and all its blessings. From You we do not ask for the world and its treasures, but You alone do we desire and long for. The hunger and thirst of our hearts can be satisfied only with You who has given us life. Take away from our hearts all that is opposed to You and enter, abide and rule our hearts forever...**

**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-Kasey Elaine Nordstrom

## \*Hymn

*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

NCH# 325

## Scripture

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

Matthew 5:13-16

Liturgist: Jenny Splaine

OT pg. 186, LP OT pg.173

NT pg.4, LP NT pg. 4

## Sermon

"Shine Your Life"

Rev. Will Burhans

## A Quiet Time for Reflection

## Prayers of the People

Rev. Judy Arnold

## Offertory

Anthem

*I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes* [2019]

Ian Higginson (b. 1959)/Psalm 121

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills; from whence cometh my help?

My help cometh even from the Lord, who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; And he that keepeth thee will not sleep.  
Behold he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy keeper; The Lord is thy defense upon thy right hand;  
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day,  
neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil,  
Yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.  
The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in  
from this time forth for ever more.

Glory be to the Father And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be  
World without end. Amen.

## \*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

*Now in the Days of Youth*

NCH #350

## Benediction

## Passing of the Peace of Christ

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

## Postlude

*Dernier Couplet du Gloria – Amen*

François Couperin (1668-1733)

*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 February, coffee hour is being hosted by the health ministry.*

# Meet Our Church

**First Congregational Church in Winchester, UCC, An Open and Affirming Congregation**  
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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)

**February 16, 2020**

Sixth 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>
Family and friends of Janet Snover	In their grief.
Marty Rahmeier, wife of Tim and mother of Emma and Natalie	For healing.
Jodie Mullane	Prayers for recovery from 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.
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.
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 deceased members and friends of this congregation.

## News & Upcoming Events



### RIPLEY PRESENTS:

#### **CRIS WILLIAMSON: The Changer and the Changed**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020, 7:30 pm**

A special concert featuring singer, songwriter and activist Cris Williamson. Please join us in the newly renovated Ripley Chapel for a dynamic and inspiring evening that celebrates the 45th anniversary of Cris' ground breaking and critically acclaimed album, "The Changer and the Changed." Says Bonnie Raitt, "The first time I heard Cris' music, it was like hearing honey dripped on a cello... Cris has been a whole lot of women's heroes -- including mine." Williamson was honored in 2018 at the Americana Music Awards with a Lifetime Achievement Award for the work done in support of women in the music business, particularly the support of Lesbian artists in the early 70's and beyond.

Tickets are \$18 General Admission.

To order tickets, please go to Brown Paper Tickets:

<https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4521247>

## **The Open Door of Blessing**

**A contemplative retreat, Saturday March 14, 10am to 2pm, Ripley Chapel.**

The Sermon on the Mount calls us out and challenges us spiritually. And yet it also helps us not be a pain ... a religious, judgmental bore! Jesus invites us not to be quick to judge by using poetic images, baffling proverbs, and a set of blessings that are anything but obvious.

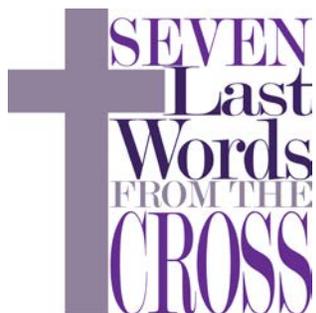
Because of this quality I find the blessing list in Jesus' first sermon well designed for contemplation. He invites us to look at God in everyday life. And because Jesus' big topic is blessing, his beatitudes are full of magic and grace!

Kathleen Zagata and I are going to make this retreat right sized for Ripley Chapel. There will be moments of quiet, times of scripture and artistic enrichment, conversation, and connection. I hope you can set aside time for reflection this Lent and that this retreat may serve your needs for time apart. ~Jonathan Goodell



Registration through March 10. Register by brochure (available at coffee hour or in the church lobby) or with this QR code.

## **LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES: 7 LAST WORDS of JESUS FROM THE CROSS**



During the 6 Sundays of Lent this year leading up to Holy Week and Easter, our worship services will be centered upon the 7 Last Words of Jesus from the cross. Our tradition, from the very forming of the Gospels, has always held these last "words" (phrases or sayings) he spoke before his death as especially sacred. The 7 Words, including "Father forgive them for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34) and "Woman here is your son... Son, here is your mother" (John 19:26) among others, are spread across the four Gospels and reveal the very human anguish that links him in a profound way to the sorrows and struggles of our own lives. At some point in the Middle Ages the words were ordered as they stand now and services were held – often during Holy Week - to invite worshippers to reflect upon the words and through them how Jesus speaks into their own lives. During our Lenten worship services starting Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, we'll engage each of the 7 Words through prayers, sermons and our music. Each week, to further illuminate the 7 Words, the choir, along with the esteemed Aryaloka String Quartet and organ, will offer a corresponding movement from Joseph Haydn's profound masterpiece, *The Seven Last Words*. The work serves as a meditation on the gravity of tragedy, as well as on the promise of redemption. Our hope is that this worship series will open you to the compassionate heart of Jesus as you move through the reflective season of Lent and prepare you for the joyful celebration of Easter.

## **TUESDAYS WITH JESUS and one another.**

Each Lent we have a series of Tuesday night gatherings that begin with Centering Prayer at 6:30. This year we'll be praying in Ripley Chapel. Then we'll adjourn to the Tucker Room for a simple supper of soup and bread. This year we will adopt the practice that many monasteries use. One voice will read while everyone enjoys the soup and the calm that comes from listening. We will take some time at the end of the evening's reading to share some thoughts. Our plan is to have one book that we hope to complete by Holy Week. We've got two finalists for the book - the 'winner' will be revealed in our next communication. We plan to conclude by 8:00 p.m.