



First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

Order of Worship -Christ the King Sunday - November 22, 2020

Prelude *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come/Now Thank We All Our God*
arr. Thomas Keesecker (b. 1956)

Welcome & Call to Worship Rev. Will Burhans

Opening Hymn *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* Pilgrim Hymnal, #461
(vv. 1, 2, 4)

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified, in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

Gathering Prayer Jane Ring Frank

The Lord's Prayer

Time for the Young

Scripture Psalm 100 Liturgist: The Alexanders

Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon Rev. Jessica McArdle

Offertory *Variations on "Kremser"*, vs. 1-3 (2008) Daniel Berghout (b. 1967)

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Will Burhans

Closing Hymn *We Gather Together* Pilgrim Hymnal, #21

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;
Thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

Benediction

Rev. Jessica McArdle

Postlude

Variations on "Kremser", vs. 6 (2008)

Berghout (b. 1967)

Rev. Will Burhans, Lead Pastor, Rev. Judy Arnold, Associate Pastor,

Jane Ring Frank, Minister of Music & Worship Arts, Jeffrey Mead, Keyboards

Kathleen Zagata, Minister of Health & Wellness, Jacob Greenberg, Interim Director Faith Formation Children & Youth

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Please keep these people in your prayers:

A prayer for comfort in grief for Dave Weir and family, on the passing of his mother, Adalain (Taffy) Weir.

For Mike Redding, Blessings for her 90th Birthday.

Bruce Lauterwasser, for healing as he recovers from a recent round of radiation treatment.

John Giblin, Deirdre's father, for continued recovery.

Ed Banzy asks prayers for the family and friends of Wendy Haraldsen, in their grief.

For strength of body and resilience of spirit of Lisa Loughlin's friend, Marie, as she begins chemo for non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

Peggy and Jim Dickson, sister and brother-in-law of Fred Greene. Prayers for continued healing; both are recovering at home (in Wisconsin) from the covid virus.

Reynolds Wilson Burns, Laurie Roby's nephew's wife. Prayers for healing for her and for Laurie's nephew, Bryant.

Elizabeth Thompson and her friends and family. Elizabeth had a stroke in June and has been declining. She is in the nursing facility at Brookhaven.

Glenn McPherson, Tony McPherson's brother, for healing as he awaits a kidney transplant.

Jane Ring Frank and Stephen Cole, for healing.

Sarah Hebb Carpenter, for successful surgery and healing.

A prayer of mourning for all those who have died of COVID19, as Renée Graham described them in The Globe on 5/12/2020 they are: "...health care workers, military veterans, doting grandparents, church folk, Holocaust survivors, a man who helped liberate a concentration camp, cancer survivors, bikers, lawmakers, grocery store workers, neurobiologists, barbers, meat plant workers, accountants, truck and bus drivers, security guards and educators."

For all the Black Lives that have been extra-judicially and violently extinguished.

Olivia, for healing and help finding her way back to recovery.

All of the front line healthcare workers and first responders, for their safety.

Rev. Lucy Sanders, for healing.

Susan Zimmerman, Julianne's mother, For stabilization & relief from pain; and comfort for her family.