



# First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

## Order of Worship -Fourth Sunday in Lent - March 14, 2021

Prelude	<i>Jesu, meine Freude</i> (S. 610)	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
Welcome and Call to Worship		Rev. Judy Arnold
Opening Hymn	<i>Come, O Fount of Every Blessing</i>	New Century Hymnal, #459
	<p>Come, O Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing your grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of endless praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount: I'm fixed upon it mount of God's unfailing love.</p> <p>Here I pause in my sojourning, Giving thanks for having come, Come to trust, at every turning, God will guide me safely home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God, Came to rescue me from danger, Blessed body, precious blood.</p> <p>O to grace how great a debtor Daily I am drawn anew! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to you. Prone to wander, I can feel it, Wander from the love I've known: Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for your very own.</p>	
Call to Confession		Jason and Jennie Ryan
Prayer of Confession		
Assurance of Forgiveness		
The Lord's Prayer		
Time for the Young		Jake Greenberg
Scripture	Lamentations 3:19-26	Liturgist: Karen Swyers

Psalm 13

Sermon	“Life’s Lamentations”	Rev. Will Burhans
Time of Reflection	“Pandemic Church Year in Review”	
Offertory	<i>Herzlich tut mich verlangen</i>	Gerald Near (b. 1942)
Prayer for the People		Rev. Judy Arnold
Closing Hymn	<i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>	New Century Hymnal, #223

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?  
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul?  
 What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
 to bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,  
 to bear the heavy cross for my soul?

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,  
 to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
 to God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,  
 while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
 while millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I’m free I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,  
 and when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on!  
 And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing and joyful be,  
 and through eternity I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on,  
 and through eternity I’ll sing on.

Benediction		Rev. Will Burhans
Postlude	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i> , vs. 4	Albert L. Travis (b. 1940)

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:

The French Family, at the death of Vandy, in their grief.

The family of Sharon Walker Mastenbrook, former church member who died in January in Austin, Texas.

Family and friends of Judith Scott, Maggie Keeler's mother, in their grief.

Kathy Mortensen and family, for the loss of her Uncle Craig (Jean's brother).

Tom Roche and family, at the death of his younger brother.

Walter Lefeber, Suzy Kahl's father, for healing.

Dan and MaryLynn Bukey, Michelle Stewarts' parents , for healing and strength.

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

**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.

**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.