



First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

Order of Worship - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost - August 15, 2021

Opening Chant

“Spirit Divine”

Spirit of love enfold and teach us; Spirit of Peace rest deep within
Spirit of change, transform and heal us, Spirit Divine, Spirit Divine

Prelude

Jane Ring Frank

Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Will Burhans

O God you summon the dawn and teach the morning to awaken the earth.

Great is Your name, great is Your love.

For you the valleys shall sing for joy and the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Great is Your name, great is Your love.

For you the rulers of the earth shall bow and the poor and oppressed shall shout for joy!

Great is Your name, great is Your love.

Your love and mercy shall last forever, fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

Great is Your name, great is Your love.

We pray in Jesus’ name and in the words he taught:

Time for the Young (??)

Hymn of Preparation

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

New Century Hymnal #286

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, flow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
And over the eons, you called to each
Thing, “Awake from your slumbers
And rise on your wings.”

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, flow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
from the bondage of sorrow,
the captive dream dreams;
Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your
people arise.

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, flow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

Scripture 1 Kings 2: 10 - 12; 3: 3 - 14
Psalms 121 Liturgist: Megan Scipione

Sermon "Going Out and Coming In" Laurie Roby

Musical Reflection Jane Ring Frank

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Will Burhans

Closing Hymn *Be Thou My Vision* Pilgrim Hymnal #391

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought by day and by night,
Waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not nor vain empty praise
Thou my inheritance for now and always.
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

(Reminder of Offering)

Benediction Rev. Will Burhans

Postlude Jane Ring Frank

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, Maggie Keeler, Interim Children's Program Coordinator

Thanks to Brian McArdle who is our Livestream Technician

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Bill McCarter, prayers during his stay in short term rehab.

Bruce Lauterwasser, for strength and healing as new rounds of chemotherapy and radiation therapy begin.

Elizabeth Thompson, her family and friends. We continued to hold Elizabeth and those she holds dear in prayer during her lengthy illness following a stroke.

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

Jane Ring Frank and Stephen Cole, for healing.

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

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