



# First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

## Order of Worship - Fifth Sunday in Lent - March 17, 2024

Prelude	"Ubi Caritas" Maurice Duruflé (1902-86)/trad. 8th c. from <i>Quatre Motets sur des thèmes grégoriens</i> , op. 10	
Welcome/Call to Worship		Rev. Will Burhans
Processional Hymn	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	Pilgrim Hymnal, #7
Morning Prayer		Rev. Maeve Hammond
The Lord's Prayer		
Act of Praise - Gloria Patri		
Time for the Young		Maggie Keeler
Hymn	<i>Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?</i>	New Century Hymnal, #539
Scripture	Psalm 131 John 13:1-17	Liturgist: Sarah Gallop
Sermon	"Walking Toward Servanthood"	Rev. Will Burhans
Offertory		
Anthem	<i>Ubi Caritas</i>	Dan Forrest (b. 1978)
Prayers of the People	<i>If you are in the sanctuary, you are invited to come forward and light a candle for a prayer intention. If you are on the live-stream, you are invited to write your prayer request in the YouTube chat, and we will light candles in the sanctuary to represent your prayers. Please join us in singing "Jesus, Remember Me" during the candle lighting.</i>	
Closing Hymn	<i>O Love, That Will Not Let Me Go</i>	Pilgrim Hymnal, #399
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Will Burhans
Postlude	<i>Ach Herr, mich armen Sünder</i> (O Lord, poor sinner that I am.)	Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

**Rev. Will Burhans**, Lead Pastor, **Rev. Maeve Hammond**, Associate Pastor,  
**Jane Ring Frank**, Minister of Worship & the Arts, **Maggie Keeler**, Minister of Children & Families,  
**Jeffrey Mead**, Keyboards, **Sarah Marino**, Office Administrator  
**Thanks to Brian McArdle**, our Live Stream Technician, and **Leslie French** for Slide Advancement.  
Deacons serving today are: **Kate Carpini**, **David Page**, **Petra Sansom**, and **Branda Wilhoite**.

### Visitors, get connected!

Please tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer by filling out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card found in the pews.

## Please keep these people in your prayers

Anna Campbell Bradley's college roommate **Isabel** who is in the surgical ICU due to severe blood loss after abdominal surgery, for healing.

**Mary Lynn Bukey**, Michelle Stewart's mom, praying for both answers and healing.

Prayers of healing and comfort for Bruce Lauterwasser's Aunt **Joan** and her daughter **Babs** who is offering support to her at a difficult time.

**Kathy Mortensen**, as she continues her battle with a recurrence of breast cancer.

In the memory of **Nex**, a nonbinary student in Oklahoma, prayers for them, their family, and all trans and nonbinary people in the state.

**Kathy Ciolino**, college roommate and friend of Linda Alexander, for recovery and healing from an aneurysm bleed.

**Cooper Sayre**, Liz and Dick's grandson, for continued healing after his traumatic brain injury sustained in a November car accident.

Prayers for **John Loewy**, for his recovery and healing from his heart attack.

Prayers for the comfort and healing of cancer for **Belinda**.

**Gledis**, health for her heart.

Continued prayers for Laurie Roby's friend **Laurel** and her sister, **Amy** in her ongoing treatment for cancer.

**John Keeley**, for healing and recovery.

**Erin**, Nanci Church's niece, who was recently diagnosed with cancer, for healing.

**Sue Matinski**, friend of Jody Mullane, for her treatment and diagnosis of breast cancer.

Carrie Ehrbar's parents, **Tom & Kathy**, who are losing their ability to live independently.

**Shelly Griffiths**, Tomye Little's cousin, for healing, comfort and peace for her and her family.

**Nancy Alleyn**, friend of Nick Wankowicz's sister, Nina, for healing.

Prayers for peace for **Mike Redding** and her loved ones.

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

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

## Flowers

Today's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in loving memory of our parents, by Kris & John Montgomery.

## Special Music Note

"Ubi caritas" is an ancient chant, long used as an antiphon for Maundy Thursday. Its text is attributed to Paulinus of Aquileia in 796. The traditional Gregorian melody probably also stems from the late 8th century. The most famous setting of the chant is that of Maurice Duruflé, 20th c. composer, organist, and musicologist. Sung by an octet from the choir, you will hear this beautiful setting as today's prelude. Duruflé combines the Gregorian chant with rich polyphonic harmonies, utilizing only the first refrain and stanza of the original 12-stanza "Ubi Caritas." In the Offertory anthem today, also *Ubi Caritas*, Dan Forrest's interpretation of the same Gregorian chant transports us into the 21st century in this stunning setting, slowly unfolding layer upon layer of text fragments and lush harmonies. Forrest utilizes a bit more of the "Ubi Caritas" text, but alters the order of the lines.

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