



# First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

## Order of Worship - Seventh Sunday of Easter - Ascension & Mother's Day - May 12, 2024

Prelude	<i>Ballo del granduca</i>	J.P. Sweelinck (1562-1621)
Welcome/Call to Worship		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Processional Hymn	<i>A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing</i>	New Century Hymnal, #259
Morning Prayer	Adapted from Jan Richardson's "Blessing the Mothers"	Petra Sansom
The Lord's Prayer		
Act of Praise - Gloria Patri		
Time for the Young	<i>Someday</i> by Alison McGhee & Peter H. Reynolds	Rev. Maeve Hammond
Hymn	<i>Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us</i> (vv. 1, 3, 4)	New Century Hymnal, #583
Scripture	Exodus 1:22, 2:2-3, 5-6, 10	The Wilhoites
Trans. <i>The Inclusive Bible</i>	Acts 1:6-11	
Sermon	"Endlessly Drawn"	Rev. Maeve Hammond
Offertory		
Anthem	<i>Wounded Alleluias</i>	Music: Craig Courtney Text: Joseph M. Martin
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Jessica McArdle
Closing Hymn	<i>Come Down, O Love Divine</i>	
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Postlude	<i>Maestoso</i>	J.C.H. Rinck (1770-1846)

**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: **Barry McArdle, Tony McPherson, 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

**Kellee Fiske**, for healing and recovery after surgery.

**Kathy M**, and her process of recovery from surgery.

**Jerry Vaughn**, for his continuing recovery.

**Gordon Scott**, Maggie Keeler's father, for healing.

Prayers for healing and strength for Rev. Maeve's grandfather, **Carlos**, who suffered a massive heart attack and is in recovery.

**The Mahoney family**, at the death of Cindy's father, George William Harvey.

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 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**.

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

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

**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.

**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 Judy Scott and in celebration of all mothers, by the Keeler family.

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