

## NOTES

**Welcome to worship at The Church of the Pilgrimage.** Please join us for coffee hour downstairs in Allerton Hall following the service today.

**We welcome children in our midst.** Children under three are welcome downstairs in the crib room where our nursery worker Kristen Moses will watch over them.

**Fellowship Pew Pad:** Please fill in your name and pass it down your pew for others to sign. Then, pass it back so we can easily greet one another. *If you are a visitor and would like to receive our monthly newsletter, please include your address.*

**Copies of the morning sermon** are available on the marble table in the upper vestibule. There are also **hearing devices** available.

**The Wednesday Bible Study Group** will meet on Wednesday, May 4 at 10:30am at the home of Amy Simpson, 5 Sunrise Avenue. We will study the story of the Ethiopian Eunuch in Acts 8:26-39. All are welcome!

**Maine Mission Trip Fundraising** – Today is the last day to purchase “shares” which assist our mission trip to Downeast Maine. Youth and adults work together to repair homes so they are safer, cleaner, drier. This will be our third trip for this hands on project, and your support is appreciated. Shareholders take part in a spaghetti luncheon in the fall, and hear a presentation.

**Prayers for our Church**—Would you like to be a part of the new Church Prayer team? We are praying to begin to discern God’s vision and direction for our Church. We are a growing and thriving Congregation with many blessings...how else might we utilize them? This is only a 2-3 month commitment and most of the praying will be done on our “own time.” Support/assistance will be provided. Contact Pastor Helen or Val Baumann to sign up.

**There will be a memorial service** next Sunday, May 7 at 1pm for church member, Verne Hill.

**Shellie Souza** will be on vacation next week. There will be limited office coverage but the answering machine will be checked daily.

**We will be honoring high school graduates** in our worship service on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the church office to make sure we have your student’s name to include.



**Earth Day:** Did you take the honey taste test last week after our Earth Day celebration? Well, Jenny reports that we have some smart cookies in our midst. The tasters overwhelmingly voted for honey #1 to be the local honey, and they were right! And if you are looking for more of that honey, look no further than Queen Bee Honey Products from the Plymouth Farmers Market or at your local farmers market.

### CALENDAR NOTES: BEGINNING MAY 1, 2017

Monday, May 1: Munroe-Camara wedding, 12 noon. Men’s Bible Study, 7-8:30pm, Jim Hammond’s home (19 Bourne Rd. Plymouth). Spiritual Caregivers Training session and dinner in Allerton Hall, 6-9 pm.

Tuesday, May 2: Board of Christian Education meeting, 7:15pm, Marks Room.

Wednesday, May 3: Bible Study, 10:30am, Amy Simpson’s home. Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Sanctuary.

Sunday, May 7: Worship, 10am, with communion and a renovation update. Heifer Month begins. Pastor Helen Nablo preaching. Annual Meeting to follow. Memorial Service at 1pm.

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**Our Deacon-in-Charge** is Elizabeth Hughes Campbell.

**The Flowers** are in memory of Jean & John Bury. Given by Janet Synnott. The Flowers from last Sunday were in memory of Henry, Mary and Keith Dunlap. Given by Robert & Marylyn Dunlap Colburn.



*As an Open and Affirming Congregation we invite all into our faith, to fully share in all church life, including our work, worship, rites, and sacraments, with the assurance that we are all created in God’s image, reconciled by Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit.*

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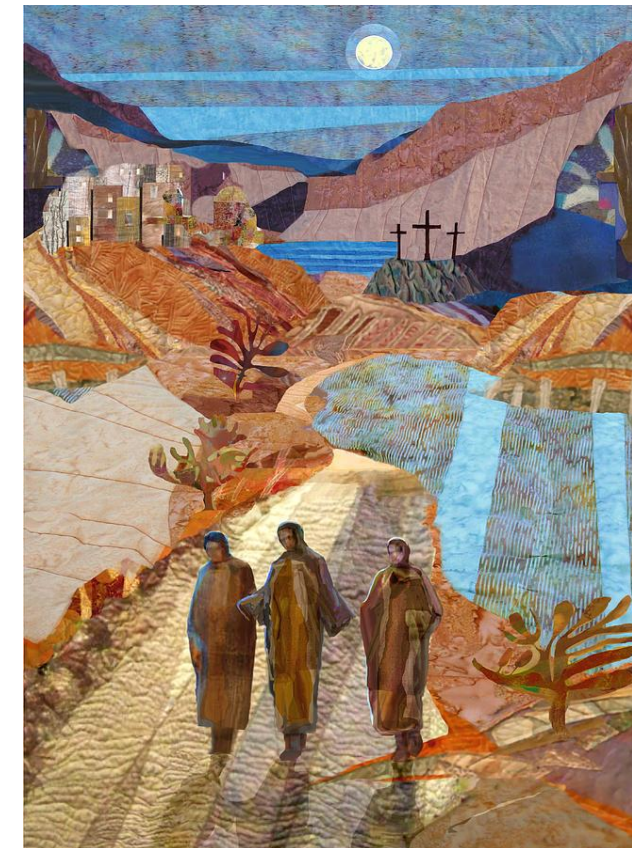
**BRIAN GILDEA, SEXTON**

## The Church of the Pilgrimage

### United Church of Christ

Plymouth, Massachusetts

Sunday, April 30, 2017  
10:00 a.m.



*Emmaus Road*

**Rev. Dr. Helen Nablo, PASTOR**  
**Elizabeth Hughes Campbell, WORSHIP LEADER**  
**Kelley DePasqua, MUSIC DIRECTOR**  
**Michael Eaton, ORGANIST**  
**Jenny Healy, DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN ED**

The Church of the Pilgrimage UCC  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!*

**PRELUDE** *Prelude on 'St. Columba'*  
-James Boeringer b. 1930

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Holy Risen One,  
We gather this day  
and we come as we are:  
questioning, wondering, hoping.  
**Accept all we bring before you today.**  
**Accept our worship we pray.**

**\*HYMN** *Come and Join the Celebration (see insert)*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY (unison)**

Risen Christ, walk with us this day:  
be our companion and guide  
be our teacher and friend  
be our host and servant  
bringing your gifts of faith, peace and hope  
and deep joy  
as always.  
Amen.

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER** (debts) Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on  
earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And  
forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI No. 36**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Jenny Healy

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (see insert)**

-----*Children Depart for Sunday School*-----

**ANTHEM**

Latin:

Ubi caritas et amore, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exultemus et in ipso iucundemur.  
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincere.  
Simul ergo cum in unum congregamur:  
Ne nos mente dividamur cavaemus.  
Cessent iurgia maligna, cessent lites.  
Et in medio nostril sit Christus Deus. Amen.

English:

Where charity and love are found, there is God.  
The love of Christ has brought us together into one.  
Let us rejoice and be glad in that love itself.  
Let us fear and love the living God.  
And let us love from a pure heart.  
When we are gathered together in one place:  
let us take care that we be not divided in mind.  
May evil quarrelling cease, may litigation cease.  
And may the God Christ be among us. Amen

**SHARING OF CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Luke 24:13-35 NT84 or 860

**SERMON** *Finding God* Pastor Helen Nablo

**\*HYMN** No. 212 *Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us*

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*Just a Closer Walk with Thee*  
Arr. by Ed Lojeski

I am weak but Thou art strong  
Jesus keep me from all wrong  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Just a closer walk with Thee  
Jesus grant my humble plea  
Daily walking close to Thee  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

When my journey here is o'er  
Time for me will be no more

*Ubi Caritas* by Ola Gjiello

Guide me to that distant shore  
To Thy shore, O dear Lord, to Thy shore

Just a closer walk with Thee  
Jesus, grant my humble plea  
Daily walking close to Thee  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

**DOXOLOGY No. 44 AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN** No. 428 *Christ Beside Me*

**BENEDICTION and CHORAL RESPONSE**

Let us go in peace, with Christ's presence, God's reassurance, and  
the Spirits guidance, to navigate a journey of faith, hope and love.  
Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

*Carillon*  
-Herbert Murrill 1909-1952

*You may remain seated for the postlude,  
rise to greet the pastor, or proceed to coffee hour.*

**NOTICE**

In accordance with the Bylaws of The Church  
of the Pilgrimage, the 2017 Annual Meeting  
will be held on May 7, 2017, following the  
Service of Worship.

The Purpose of the meeting shall be:

1. To receive Reports of all Boards,  
Committees and Officers.
2. The election of Officers, Board and  
Committee Members.

All Church Members are urged to attend this  
important Meeting.

Lois E. Post



Clerk