

**The Church of the Pilgrimage  
United Church of Christ**

Sunday, August 5, 2018

10:00am



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**Sam Butterfield, WORSHIP LEADER**  
**Lois Post, SUMMER ORGANIST**  
**Jenny Healy, DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN ED**

# Order of Worship

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

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**Prelude**                    “All Glory Be To God On High”  
by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship** (*responsively*)                    Psalm 42, select verses

As a deer longs for flowing streams,  
so my soul longs for you, O God.

**My soul thirsts for God,  
for the living God.**

**When shall I come and behold  
the face of God?**

These things I remember,  
as I pour out my soul:

how I went with the throng,  
and led them in procession to the house of God,  
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,  
a multitude keeping festival.

**By day the Lord commands his steadfast love,  
and at night his song is with me,  
a prayer to the God of my life.**

Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you disquieted within me?

**Hope in God; for I shall again praise God,  
my help and my God.**

\***Hymn No. 76**                    As Longs the Deer (Psalm 42)

\***Prayer of Confession and Praise** (*responsively*)

God, you provide enough.

You create each of us as enough.

You create a world of abundance.

**But our certainty of scarcity,**

**our idolatry of the shiny,  
and our fears of others  
prevent us from gratitude, graciousness, and sharing.**

We live in an abundant world.

**Our creator makes it so.**

Move our hearts, lessen our fears in this hour.

**Let us know once again: There is enough for all of us.**

Praise be to the God of Abundant Love!

**Praise to the God of Enough!**

**\*The Lord's Prayer** (*unison*)

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 (*unison*)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen. Amen.

## **Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture**                      Mark 6: 30-44

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; send

them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat.” But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” They said to him, “Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?” And he said to them, “How many loaves have you? Go and see.” When they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled; and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

**Meditation**

Pastor Helen Nablo

### **Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory Music**

There is Love All Around You

David Lynch, Soloist

There is love all around you, there is joy on the wind, Stretch your hand to your brother, and new life will begin. Stretch your hand to your sister, and new life will begin!

There is peace if we seek it, there is truth that will win, There is God in our sister, God is love; Let love in. There is God in our brother; God is love; let love in!

There are tears all around you, there are souls without friend. Feel the pain of another, and let love bloom again! Feel the pain of another, and let love bloom again!

Like a stream growing stronger, love is shared friend to friend, and flows on to the Maker, love is life without end. Love flows on to the Maker, love is life without end!

### **\*Doxology No. 44**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

Thank you God for the opportunity to share in your creative and restorative work among people. Because you have blessed us, we have much to give. These offerings express our gratitude and our aspiration to be more fully your own loyal community. Amen.

## **The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

*The deacons will serve us in the pews this morning. Please take the bread as it comes to you. Hold on to the cup, that we might partake together as a symbol of our unity in Christ. All are welcome at Christ's table!*

## **Invitation to the Table**

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

## **Sharing the Bread and the Cup**

## **Prayer after Communion**

\*Hymn No. 325

Now Let Us From This Table Rise

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

“All Glory Be to God On High”

by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

During the postlude you may remain seated  
or rise to greet the pastor  
and proceed to coffee hour.

## **For Today's Service**

***Deacon of the Day:*** Linn Peterson

***The flowers are in loving memory of our parents, Harry & Anita Jamieson and Lawrence & Arlene Kohlenberg. Given by Jim & Jeanette Jamieson.***

## NOTES

**Welcome to worship at The Church of the Pilgrimage.** If you are a visitor, please join us for coffee hour following worship and sign your name on one of the pew cards and we will send you a copy of the church newsletter.

**Please silence your cell phones** so we can be fully present to the spirit and to one another.

**This morning we have nursery/crib room care** with Kristin Moses, our childcare worker. Kristen is with us every Sunday.

**Hearing devices and copies of the morning sermon** are available on the table at the back at the top of the stairs.

**Providence Youth Mission Trip:** From August 11-14 there is a Mission Trip for 4 youth and 3 adults to Providence, Rhode Island. They will be working in a local food bank, helping prepare and serve meals, etc. and other venues. Anyone who would like to donate some dessert/snacks, i.e. granola bars, fruit bars, etc. please contact Robin Trask 508-746-9350.

**Next Sunday worship is in the JRC.** With air conditioning! We will begin with breakfast at 9:15, hosted by the deacons with worship to begin at 10 am.

**Next Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup> following worship** there will be another discussion of the document “Reclaiming Jesus”. What do you think of this document for the church in these times? How does it speak to *us*? Copies of the document are available on the table by the big window outside the sanctuary.

**Wednesday Bible study** August dates are August 8 (book discussion) and August 22<sup>nd</sup> at Pinewood Lodge.

**Food Pantry Requests:** There is a great need for canned vegetables, tuna and other canned meat, small and regular size jars of peanut butter, jelly/jam. Thank you in advance for your contributions and be assured of the appreciation and gratitude from those on the other end.

**Summer Book Discussion: I’m Proud of You: My Friendship with Fred Rogers** by Tim Madigan will be a summer book read for our

church. A great book for thinking about how we influence each other's lives and the meaning of grace, it is available from Amazon.com and will be discussed on two different occasions. A daytime discussion will take place at Pinewood Lodge on Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. An evening discussion on Wednesday August 29<sup>th</sup> will gather at the home of Helen Nablo and Mike Dunfee, 7 pm.

### **For Your Calendar**

August 12: Sunday Service in the JRC @ 10 A M, begins with breakfast at 9:15 A M.

September 9: Gathering Sunday and Potluck All Church Picnic at Stephens Field. Worship gathers us in, our picnic helps us catch up at summer's end -- and play together! CE will provide sandwiches, and the rest is potluck.



*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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