

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

Sunday, July 1, 2018

Communion Sunday

10:00am



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Order of Worship

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

Prelude

“Prelude on Land of Rest”

-Richard Proulx 1937-2010

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Creator of us all, who is above all and through all and in all.

We come to bring glory to God only, and to celebrate God's gracious gifts to all of us.

In this spirit of unity and purpose, let us worship God.

***Hymn** No. 313 I Come with Joy (verse 1-3 only)

***Unison Prayer of Confession** (*unison*)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are accepted, loved and forgiven! In Jesus Christ we are invited to begin again.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

***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 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the

synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Communion Meditation

Pastor Helen Nablo

***Hymn No. 314** The Church is Like a Table

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Solo O Day of God Draw Nigh Kelly Danner

***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*)

As we offer our treasure and hearts to you, O God, may they be used to pass on the promise of hope, of peace, of life, of community to all in need of your gifts and presence in their lives. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Our cup is grape juice, and there is gluten free bread available in the plastic cups. Communion will be served in the pews. Please take the bread as it comes to you, and hold on to the cup that we might partake together – a symbol of our unity in Christ. All are welcome at Jesus table.

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God most high.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing, yet distant as the farthest star. We thank you for your constant love for all you have made.

We praise you for Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection, and the calling forth of the church for its mission.

Therefore we praise your holy name, saying:

Holt, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*unison*)

We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all Christ's gifts.

Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth your praise in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Hymn No. 313

I Come With Joy (verses 4 and 5)

Benediction

Postlude

Promenade

-Gordon Young 1919-1998

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

Our Deacon in Charge today is Lincoln Passmore.

Our Ushers are Glenda Richards, Cathy Watts and Barbara & Jack Wahlberg.

The flowers are given by Tony and Susan Cotta in loving memory of Gib and Marion VanNest.

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, near the kitchen area of the JRC.

Do you get “Sneak Peek”? It is a Friday email that shares what is going on for the Sunday coming up. If not, call the church office (508-746-3026) and provide your email.

Parking Notice: If you have a handicapped license plate or placard you may park in any metered space for free. Also, the lower lot (down the hill from the JRC) and School St. are free on Sundays until 12 noon.

TONIGHT: Sunday, July 1st at 7 pm The COTP Sanctuary Choir Concert! Come hear some of your favorite anthems as we record our next CD (dedicated to the loving memory of Pat Harper). Please bring your families and friends!

Wednesday Bible study will meet on select Wednesdays in the summer. Dates include July 25, August 8 and 22nd.

July 8th Report on the UCC Annual Meeting: Following worship that day, Kim Engle and Val Baumann, our delegates, will share their experiences as well as the votes to become a Tri State Conference and to be an Immigrant Welcoming Conference.

July 22nd and August 12th there will be two separate discussion sessions 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.

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 8th. An evening date of Wednesday August 29th will take place at the home of Helen Nablo and Mike Dunfee, 7 pm.

From the Directory Committee: Over the next few months, members of the Directory Committee will be making phone calls to those who have not been able to verify/update their contact information for our new directory. We want to include all those who wish to be listed in the directory and we can accommodate multiple email addresses, cell phone numbers, etc. Please call the office if you have questions. Co-Chairs, Debby Porter and Ellie Reinhardt.

For Your Calendar

July 13: Summer Herald deadline (will be sent on 7/27)

August 12: Sunday Service in the JRC @ 10 A M, begins with breakfast at 9:15 A M. *(Please note that due to a baptism, we are moving the service on July 8 originally scheduled for the JRC to the sanctuary)*

September 9: Gathering Sunday and Potluck All Church Picnic at Stephens Field.

Kreative Kidz Theatre
held in Allerton Hall for 6 weeks this summer!

These theatre classes are for all children, regardless of age or talent level. At Kreative Kidz, your child will acquire skills that can be applied to every facet of life, all while building confidence, and having FUN! The summer camps are held Monday through Friday from 9am-4pm with instruction in acting, voice and dance all leading up to a performance at the end of the week.

Weekly tuition \$180 (if you are a church member you will receive a discount of \$30 making your tuition only \$150). When your registration and payment is received your spot in the camp will be held. Please make checks payable to Kreative Kidz Theatre and mail them to 11 Obery St, Plymouth, MA 02360.

Peter Pan / July 9-13
Bravo for Broadway / July 16-20
Superheros and Villians / July 23-27
Pop Star Studio / July 30-August 3
Laugh Out Loud / August 6-10
Trolls / August 13-17



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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