

NOTES

Welcome to worship at The Church of the Pilgrimage. We hope you will join us for coffee hour following the service, and return to worship with us again soon!

Children will depart for Sunday school after the children's message. Children under three are welcome downstairs in the crib room where our nursery worker Kristen Moses will watch over them.

Fellowship Pew Pad: Please—whether you are a member, regular attendee, or guest—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.

Prayer Concerns may be written on a note and placed in the prayer box by the sanctuary door, or spoken at the sharing of celebrations and concerns.

The Good Samaritan Fund, which assists with such expenses as rent, utility, food and health bills, is received on the second Sunday of the month. If you wish to contribute, there are specially marked envelopes located in the pews for that purpose.

Coffee and Conversation today! Well, really it is build your own burrito time. See you after worship in the JRC kitchen!

The Wednesday Bible Study Group will meet Wednesday, March 15 at 10:30am meeting at the home of Amy Simpson, 5 Sunrise Avenue. Scripture to be studied is the text for next Sunday: Luke 15:1-32. All are welcome!

Wednesday Soup Supper and Lenten Program: Our first gathering takes place this week, with supper running from 5:45pm to 6:30pm. The program (6:30 to 7:30) led by Rosemary MacKay will be a discussion about the spirituality of caregiving, specifically how do you own your caregiving role? What do you know about people who need care? How do you think God works in the midst of all this? How do you take care of yourself as you provide caregiving?

Women's Walking Group meets this Saturday, March 18th at Nelson Park (9 am). After walking, we head to Kiskadee to chat over coffee. All are welcome!

Copies of the Still Speaking Devotionals, Diving Lessons are available on the marble table in the upper vestibule. Please take one per household.

Women's Retreat March 31-April 1 at Craigville Conference Center. Please speak with Jane Dolan or Dawn Durmis if you have any questions. We still have some space. Fun, fellowship,

reflection and long walks on the beach! We would especially encourage some of our newer members to join us for this time away. A check holds your place — \$112 overnight, \$42 for the day on Saturday.

Maine Mission Trip — once again we will take part in hands on work with Neighbors Helping Neighbors in Downeast Maine. Rising grade 9 and up are welcome to join us. *Date now reserved is June 25 to July 1. There will be a planning meeting held on Sunday, March 26th (note date change) at Pastor Helen's home including a power point of photos from last year, 5-7 pm — save the date!*

The Church of the Pilgrimage

United Church of Christ

Plymouth, Massachusetts

Sunday, March 12, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Second Sunday of Lent



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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The Church of the Pilgrimage UCC

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

Cross of Jesus
-Charles Callahan b. 1951

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsively)*

Holy One, we gather this day,
And come as we are
with our repenting hearts,
with our persistent dreaming.
Accept all we bring before you today.
Accept our worship we pray.

***HYMN** No. 24 *We Praise You, O God*

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ADORATION**

***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

ANTHEM

Trials

Hard

Spiritual, Arr. by Craig Hella Johnson
Kelley DePasqua, Soprano

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jenny Healy

--Children will depart for Sunday School--

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 13:1-9;31-35 NT71 or 848

REFLECTION (A Scripture Response)

SERMON *The Penitent Heart* Pastor Helen Nablo

***HYMN** No. 220 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Call to Remembrance
by Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord,
Thy tender mercies
and Thy loving kindness,
which hath been ever of old,
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
but according to Thy mercy
think Thou on me, O Lord,
for Thy goodness.

***DOXOLOGY** No. 44

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(unison)*

May all that we give,
be it our money or ourselves,
be used to heal and help,
to repair and restore,
to comfort and care,
to be your church. Amen.

***HYMN** No. 613 *(back section)* *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Canzonetta
-Eric Thiman 1900-1975

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

Our Deacon-in-Charge is Mark Coombs.

Our Greeters are Sherrie & Gerry Pelissier.

The Flowers are in loving memory of my mother, Rose L. MacKay in remembrance of her birthday on March 10th.

FRIDGE NOTES: WEEK OF MARCH 6TH

Monday, March 13: Monday Meals of Hospitality, 11am, Allerton Hall. Men's Bible Study, 7pm, held at the Durmis/Moore home, 14 Thoreau Rd, Plymouth.

Tuesday, March 14: Council meeting, 7pm, Marks Room.

Wednesday, March 15: Bible Study, 10:30am, @ Amy Simpson's home; 5:45 pm Lenten Soup Supper, with 6:30-7:30 pm Program, Spirituality for Caregivers, with Rev. Dr. Rosemary MacKay. Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Sanctuary.

Thursday, March 16: Nominating Committee Meeting, 8:30am, Steve Triffletti's office.

Friday, March 17: Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Saturday, March 18: 9:00 am Women's Walking Group, meets at Nelson Park. Super Saturday, 8am-3:45pm, Wilbraham, MA.

Sunday, March 19: Worship 10am, Sanctuary. Pastor Helen preaching.

**Lenten Soup Supper
and Programs**

Allerton Hall

5:45pm Soup Supper
6:30-7:30pm Program

March 22

Book discussion of *Under Our Skin*, a reflection on the wound of racism by Ben Watson. Led by Pastor Helen. The book is readable and thought provoking – and important for our times.

April 5

Rev. Jean Lenk will read excerpts from her book *Fertilizer Happens*, sharing reflections on her cancer journey. Funny, honest and irreverent Jean will make you think! (Copies of the book are available for \$12 through the church office).

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