

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

**Sunday, November 4, 2018**

**10:00am**

**All Saints Sunday**



*Cross at Montserrat, Spain*

**Rev. Dr. Helen Nablo, PASTOR**  
**Susan Cotta, WORSHIP LEADER**  
**Kelley DePasqua, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**  
**Michael Eaton, 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

Variations on 'Sine Nomine'  
-Denis Bédard b. 1950

## Welcome and Announcements

## Choral Introit

### Call to Worship (*responsively*)

We praise you, eternal God, for those who have run the race of faith before us and now surround us like a cloud of witnesses.

### **We thank you for those**

**who pass your word of love to each new generation.**

With faithful people of all ages, may we be Christ's body on earth, for it is in the name of Christ that we gather and pray.

### \*Hymn No. 49

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

### \*Prayer of the Day (*responsively*)

In all our weakness and strength,  
with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,

**we come to be your people, O God.**

Strong in faith and eager with questions,  
singing our praise and whispering our prayers,

**we come to be your people, O God.**

Filled with saintly determination  
yet mindful of our human limitations,

**we come to be your people, O God.**

Made strong in your endless love for us,  
we know ourselves to be yours and

**we come to be your people, O God.**

May we truly become your people today. 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.

**Anthem**

Sine Nomine (For All the Saints)

By Ralph Vaughan Williams

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
who Thee by faith before the world confessed:  
Their name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold!  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old;  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again, and arms are stong.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

-----*Children and Youth depart for Sunday School*-----

**Minute for Stewardship**

Doug Showalter

**Reception of New Members** (see insert)

# Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer and Choral Response

### Scripture Lesson      Mark 10: 17-27

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

### Sermon

*All Things Possible*

Rev. Helen Nablo

### Invitation to the Offering

#### Offertory Anthem

Above the Stars

By K. Lee Scott

Above the stars my savior dwells,  
I love, I care for nothing else;  
There he sits and fits a place for all the glorious heirs of grace,  
For all the glorious heirs of grace.

Dear Savior, raise my duller eyne,  
Let me but see they beams divine.

Ravish my soul, with wonder and desire,  
Ere I enjoy, let me thy joys admire,  
Ere I enjoy, let me thy joys admire.

And wond'ring, let me say,  
Come, Lord Jesus, Come Lord Jesus,  
Come Lord Jesus, Come away!

**\*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**

**Reading of the Names of those Departed**

Ruth Lowry, Gordon Campbell, Eileen Ganem, David Lane, Gayle Lane Clements, David Niven, Sam Nablo, Norm McLeod, Jack Laine, Bob Coggins, Marion (Briggs) Shipley, David Moreland, Liisa Budge-Johnson, Eileen Baker, Elsie Hurter.

**Hymn No. 495**                      How Blest Are They Who Trust in Christ

**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. There is gluten free bread in the plastic cup. Our common cup is grape juice. All are welcome at Christ's table!*

**Invitation to the Table**

**Communion Prayer**

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

**Prayer After Communion**

**\*Hymn No. 454**                      God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

**Benediction and Choral Response**

## Postlude

Festive Trumpet Tune  
-David German b. 1954

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

### *For Today's Service*

*Our Deacon in Charge is Sandy Bartlett.*

*Our Ushers are Linda & Frank Montague and Joanna & Dennis Albers.*

*Our Greeters are Jessie, Joshua, Sam and Audrey Hanlon.*

*The flowers are given by Jim Hammond in loving memory of his  
Grandparents: Frank & Mary Sands and Henry & Mabel Hammond.*

### **This Week**

**Nov 5:** Monday Meals of Hospitality, 11 am, Allerton Hall.

**Nov 7:** Bible Study, 10:30am, Amy Simpson's home. Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 pm in the sanctuary.

**Nov 8:** Trustees meeting

**November 10: Harvest Fair**

**November 11:** Worship with Baptism and Chest of Joash/Pledge  
Dedication Sunday. Reverend Helen Nablo preaching.

### **HARVEST FAIR PRESALE by Susie and Jane**

Please stop by our Harvest Fair "Shopping Table" during coffee hour. Many items are available to buy early. There will be the opportunity to sign up to volunteer at a table the day of the fair.



## NOTES

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

**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.

**Nametags:** It is helpful to everyone if we make an effort to wear our nametags. Thank you!

**Hearing devices and copies of the morning sermon** are available on the marble table in the upper vestibule.

**A word on sharing prayer concerns:** If there is a concern you would like to have read out loud during the prayer time, please find a prayer slip at the back of the church and place it in the box located there.

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**Confirmation Class gathers at the JRC after worship** to head to Hanover for walking of the labyrinth.

**Board of Christian Education meets** today after worship in the Marks Conference Room.

**Men's Bible Study** will meet on Tuesday, November 7 from 7-8:30pm at the Durmis/Moore Residence (14 Thoreau Rd, Ply) to discuss Matthew Chapter 14.

**Advent Meditation Booklet:** The Advent Meditation Booklet, *Joyful Anticipation* is being created by Rose Wagner. She needs volunteers to contribute a reflection on Scripture and a prayer afterward. (Several Scripture options will be provided to you.) Please contact me, Rose Wagner ([rmwagner1976m@comcast.net](mailto:rmwagner1976m@comcast.net)) or 774-773-9361. I will give you your Scripture, guidelines and any assistance that you may need. Please return it to me by November 11 at the latest.

**Storyteller Sheila Arnold presents “Ol’ Bess Speaks at a Gathering”** on November 16 at 7pm, light refreshments to follow. Arnold is Ol’ Bess, a tavern slave from the 18<sup>th</sup> century Williamsburg, Virginia. Listen to history come alive with the riveting presentation. This event is free. A freewill offering is appreciated. Look for more information in your Herald.

**Safety & Security at TCOP:** Once again, a fire drill has been scheduled for our church at the end of worship. On Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, members not taking part (anyone adversely affected by loud and repetitive noise) will be given the opportunity to exit the sanctuary, while the rest of us will wait for an alarm to sound, courtesy of the Plymouth Fire Department. Our hope is for a safe and orderly evacuation of both the sanctuary and the John Robinson Center. Deacons and Sunday School personnel will guide the fire drill. Announcements prior to the drill will explain the procedure to be followed.

**TONIGHT from 4-7pm Free Candlelight Concert** to celebrate the restored 1853 pipe organ at 1<sup>st</sup> Parish in Duxbury (842 Tremont St, Duxbury).



*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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