

WELCOME!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Élévation” -Dubois

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 106)

One: Praise the Lord!

Many: Give thanks to the Lord, who is good; Divine, steadfast love endures forever!

One: Who can give put into words the mighty works of the Lord, or declare all worthy praise?

Many: Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

***HYMN** #343 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” -Beecher

*** UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, from whom we come, to whom we belong, and in whom we find peace, thank you for this time of worship and remembrance. We bring to you our sincere regret for whatever harm we have done, or caring acts we have left undone. Forgive us, we pray, and give us the grace to forgive others. We pray in Christ’s gracious spirit; amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Leader: With humility and gratitude, we give thanks

ALL: that we are enough, we are beloved, and we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

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 “I Am the Living Bread” -McCabe

HEARING OF THE WORD 2 Corinthians 4:1-12 -Reader, Mary-Jean Miner

SERMON “When the Audience Won’t Believe You” -Rev. Mark Winters

***HYMN** #282 “If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee” -Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER (Debts)

PRAYER RESPONSE “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” -Medema

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee” -Böhm

*** DOXOLOGY**

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.

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Bless O God, these gifts, to your holy purpose. Use them in ways which serve you and our neighbor, in this community and beyond. In Christ we pray; Amen

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION -Rev. Mark Winters

(Everyone is welcome to participate in communion. The cups are filled with non-alcoholic grape juice. Bread is gluten-free)

INVITATION

PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS *(Please take a piece of bread and a cup as they’re passed, but hold on to them, and we will all partake together)*

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior; amen.

***HYMN** #426 “Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak” -Canonbury

***CLOSING WORDS AND BENEDICTION** - Rev. Mark Winters

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:** #539 -v2 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise
Grant us thy peace upon our home-ward way; With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day. Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, That in this house have called upon Thy name.

POSTLUDE “A Fugue or Voluntary” -Selby

*** Congregation Standing (if able)**

Welcome to the Federated Church!

We strive to be a welcoming community, serving God and neighbor. If you need help finding a hymnal, restroom, or anything else you need, please ask an usher. We hope you are able to join us for coffee hour in the Parish House, across the courtyard, after worship. Our services are live-streamed. If you prefer to be off camera, we recommend sitting toward the back on the left-hand side.

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| Head Deacon: | Herb Ward |
| Ushers: | Donna Rhoades, Herb Ward |
| Coffee Hour Host: | Fran Watson |
| A/V Team Member: | Elizabeth Villard |
| Choir Practice: | Tuesday at 4:30PM |
| AA Meeting: | Saturday at 8:00 PM |

In Office Hours: Monday, 1-3:30PM, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9-3PM
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Edgartown, Massachusetts
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A welcoming community serving God and neighbor