

Welcome!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Grave” from *Concerto No. 1*

-J. S. Bach

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*based on Ps. 145:10-13*)

Leader: All of God’s works give thanks to God, their maker. They testify to God’s glory and power.

People: We will meditate on God’s wondrous works.

Leader: To make known to all people, God’s mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of creation,

People: we will meditate on God’s wondrous works.

Leader: The reign of God is everlasting. God’s dominion endures throughout all generations.

People: We will meditate, and give thanks and praise for all God’s wondrous works.

***HYMN #97** “Go to Dark Gethsemane” vs. 1&2

-Redhead 76

***UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*Adapted from a prayer attributed to St. Patrick*)

God the Parent, Christ the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, give us sufficient faith that we do not hold back from danger to make known your divine gifts and everlasting consolation, to spread your name everywhere with confidence and without fear, in order to leave behind, after we are gone, foundations for our friends and all who we baptized in the Lord. In Christ we pray; amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME**

(*inside back cover of hymnal*)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Fugue ‘Vater unser im Himmelreich’”

-Zachow

***DOXOLOGY** (sung)

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**

Holy One, bless these gifts and the intentions of our hearts, to your holy purpose. Receive them as a token of our gratitude for the grace you continually give us all. In Christ we pray; Amen

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE “Nothing Can Trouble”

-Berthier

ANTHEM “I Will Bow”

-Chatfie

HEARING OF THE WORD John 18:28-38

-Reader, Susan Waldrop

SERMON "Jesus and Pilate"

-Rev. Dr. Mark Winters

***HYMN #85** “What Wondrous Love Is This”

-Wondrous Love

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE “Procession” from *Gothic Triptych*

-Young

* Congregation standing (if able)

Welcome to the Federated Church

We welcome you, and affirm your whole identity, including sexual, gender, racial, economic, educational, ability, and all other kinds of identity! We welcome your questions and differences of opinion or belief. If you need help finding a hymnal, restroom, or anything else you need, please ask an usher. Please also 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.

Prayer List: Peaceful democracy here and in the world, the Island's immigrant community, Dianne Rhoades, all loved ones facing illnesses of body or mind. all facing the trauma of violence including Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Iran and those suffering the effects of illness, poverty, natural disaster or oppression. Aaron Walton, the adult son of good friends of Bill and Kris Vrooman, who continues to battle severe health issues. *(If you would like any names added to or removed from the prayer list, please contact Rev. Mark, or contact the church office, officefederatedchurchmv@gmail.com.)*

Head Deacon: Mary-Jean Miner
Ushers: Jeff and Karen Meeks
Flowers: a friend
Coffee Hour: Nancy Blank and Mary-Jean Miner
A/V Team Member: Bret Regan

Choir Practice: Tuesdays at 4:30 PM

AA Meeting - In Parish House: Saturday at 8:00 PM

In Office Hours: Monday, 1-3:30PM, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9AM-3PM

The Rev. Dr. Mark Winters, Minister, Mr. Peter R. Boak, Minister of Music

Moderator, William Veno

Matt Durawa, Church Administrator

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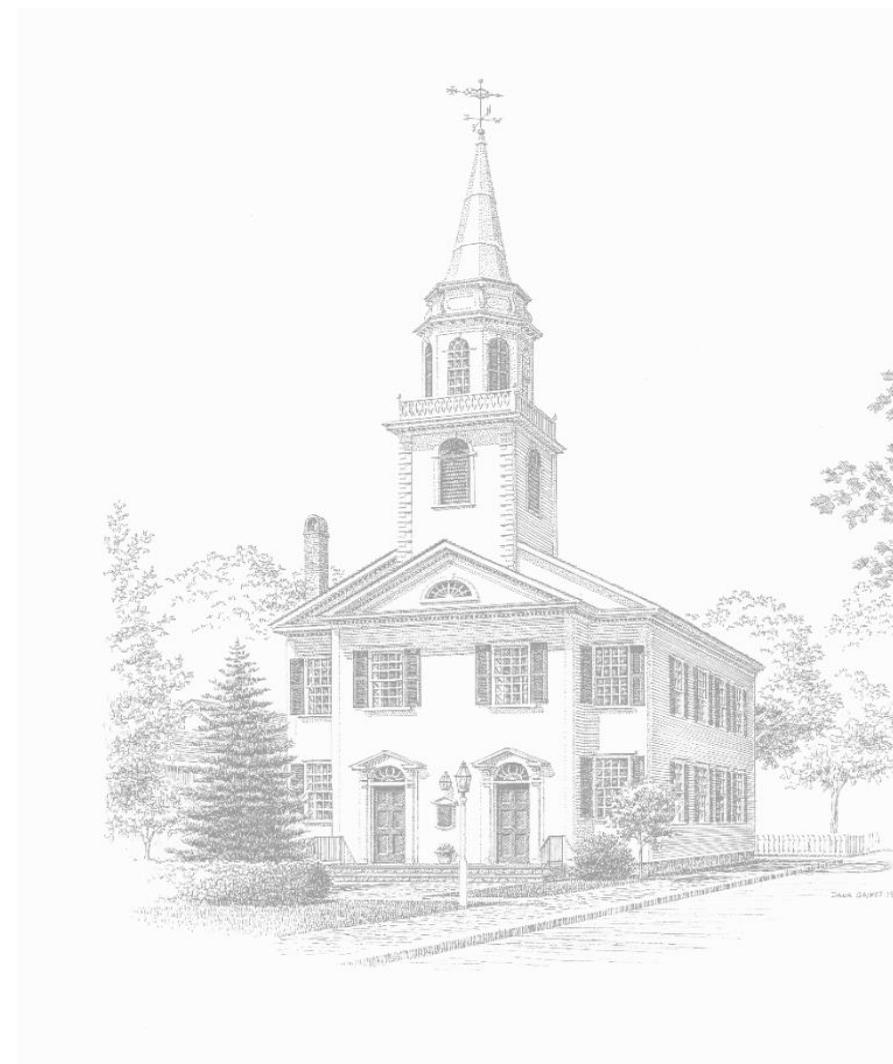
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“...Whoever you are,
whomever you love,
and wherever you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!”



The Federated Church of Martha's Vineyard

Edgartown, Massachusetts

Sunday, March 15th, 2026

A welcoming community serving God and neighbor