

Welcome!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Andante” -Selby

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Morning has broken.

People: We give thanks for the gift of life and for the presence of the Holy One among us.

Leader: Let us worship God together.

All: Thanks be to God!

***HYMN #286** “Give to the Winds Thy Fears” -St. Bride

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Through waves and clouds and storms, you gently clear the way O God. Your wisdom and companionship provide shelter for us; refuge in which to recover ourselves. Send your Holy Spirit upon this moment. Hear our prayers and hymns, and sort through our inward ponderings that we may leave here restored and repurposed. We pray, O God, in the spirit of the resurrected Christ; amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

(inside back cover of hymnal)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Choral” -Peeters

*DOXOLOGY (sung)

To God, all glorious heavenly Light,
to Christ revealed in earthly night,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

To God the Spirit now we raise
our joyful songs of thankful praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*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 “O Savior, in This Quiet Place” -Jones

ANTHEM “Song of Ruth” -Eilers

HEARING OF THE WORD Ruth 1:1-18, 22 -Liturgist, Janet Holladay

SERMON “Family Matters” -Rev. Dr. Mark Winters

***HYMN (insert)** “For All the Faithful Women” -Nyland

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Finale from ‘The Royal Fireworks’” -Handel

* Congregation standing (if able)

Welcome to the Federated Church

Whoever you are, whomever you love, however you arrived this morning, and wherever you're going afterward, you are welcome! We are an inclusive Christian community. We welcome all backgrounds, questions, and differences of opinion or belief. This bulletin should help you follow along, but if you have questions about what something is or what it means, please ask a neighbor or usher. "Hymns" are for everyone to sing along, including you. (They're located in the book on the rack in front of you, titled, *Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs*.) We'd also like to greet you after worship for informal fellowship and refreshment in the parish house, right across the courtyard. Until then, relax, breathe, and know that you belong here.

Prayer List: Prayers for friends and family recovering from recent surgeries and illnesses; prayers for peaceful democracy here and in the world, the Island's immigrant community. Prayers for Christine Savini, Aaron Walton, Mary Ann Winters, all facing the trauma of violence including Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Iran and those suffering the effects of illness, poverty, natural disaster or oppression. (*If you would like any names added or removed from the prayer list, please contact Rev. Mark, or the church office, officefederatedchurchmv@gmail.com.*)

Head Deacon:	Donna Rhoades
Ushers:	Dianne & Tom Durawa
Flowers:	TBA
Coffee Hour:	TBA
A/V Team Member:	Bill Veno

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

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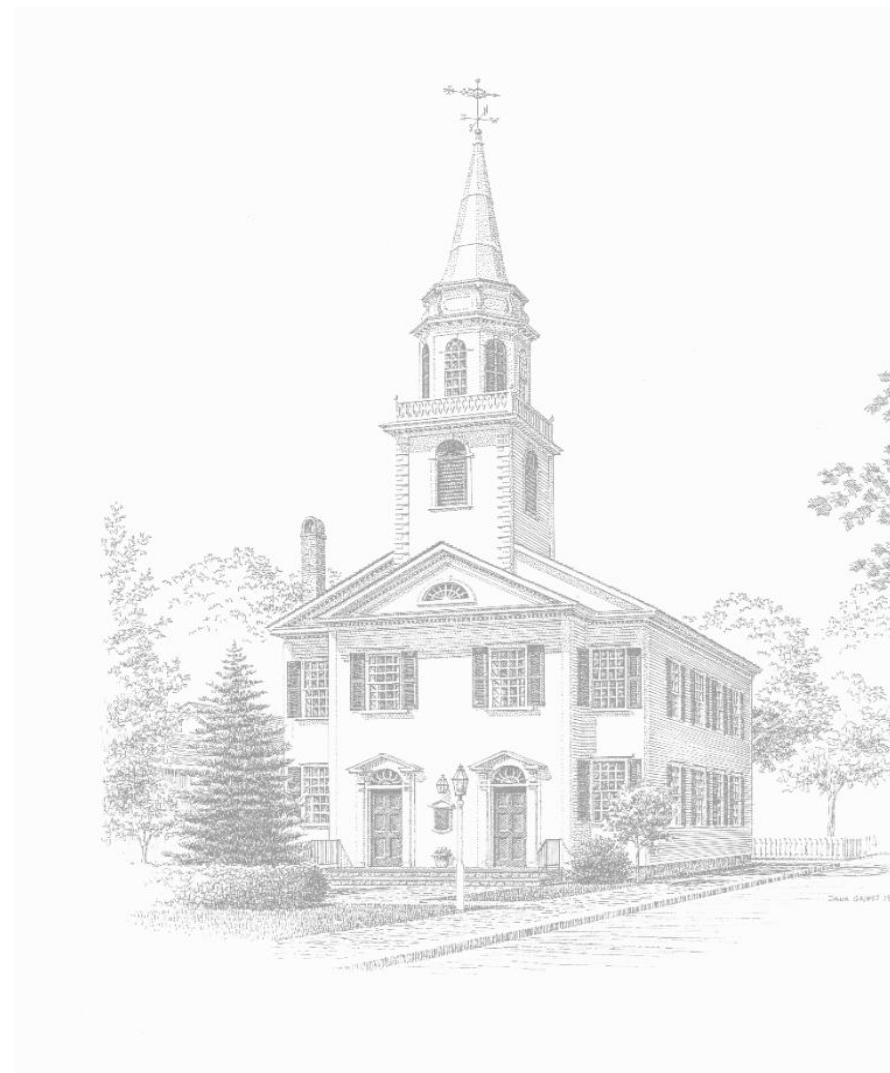
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you are welcome here!"



The Federated Church of Martha's Vineyard

Edgartown, Massachusetts

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A welcoming community serving God and neighbor