

WELCOME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Draw Near, All Ye People” (from *Elijah*) -Mendelssohn
Michael Prichard, baritone; Laura Prichard, flute; Rebecca Laird, violin

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Sung) “Alleluia”

***HYMN 383** “My Faith Looks Up to The” -Olivet

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

As we tread the narrow pathways of life, not always able to see what’s coming next, you help us, O God, to step forward. Our faith in your companioning presence comforts, always. Hold us close in this time of worship. Speak to us, strengthen us, restore and renew us. We pray, as ever, in Christ’s spirit of grace; amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

***GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME**
(inside back cover of hymnal)

MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION

-Joseph Carter, James Butterick, and David Berube

ANTHEM “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” -arr. Landon
Pam Butterick, soprano

HEARING OF THE WORD Galatians 1:13-17, 2:11-21 -Reader, Herb Ward

SERMON “Faith Which Transcends Barriers” -Rev. Dr. Mark Winters

***HYMN #399** “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” -Dunlap’s Creek

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you
People: And also with you.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE “Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer” -Mendelssohn

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Laudamus Te” (from *Gloria*) -Vivaldi
Pam Butterick and Laura Prichard, sopranos; Rebecca Laird, violin
Translation: “We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you.”

*DOXOLOGY

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

***HYMN #366** “Jesus, The Boundless Love to Me” -St. Catherine

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Postlude in F Major” -Martini

* 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: *(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.)*

Peaceful democracy here and in the world, C. and J. Daley, Deb Daley's mother, Carole Tedeschi. family and friends of Mary Gentle's sister Martha, who recently passed away, Buzzy Hall, who is struggling with health issues, loved ones facing illnesses of body or mind, all facing the trauma of violence including Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, and those suffering the effects of illness, poverty, natural disaster or oppression.

Head Deacon:	Fran Watson
Ushers:	Mary Gentle and Geoff Cahill
Flowers:	Mary-Jean Miner
Coffee Hour	Shanta Gabriel
A/V Team Member:	Naomi Winters
Choir Practice	Tuesday 4:30PM
AA Meeting:	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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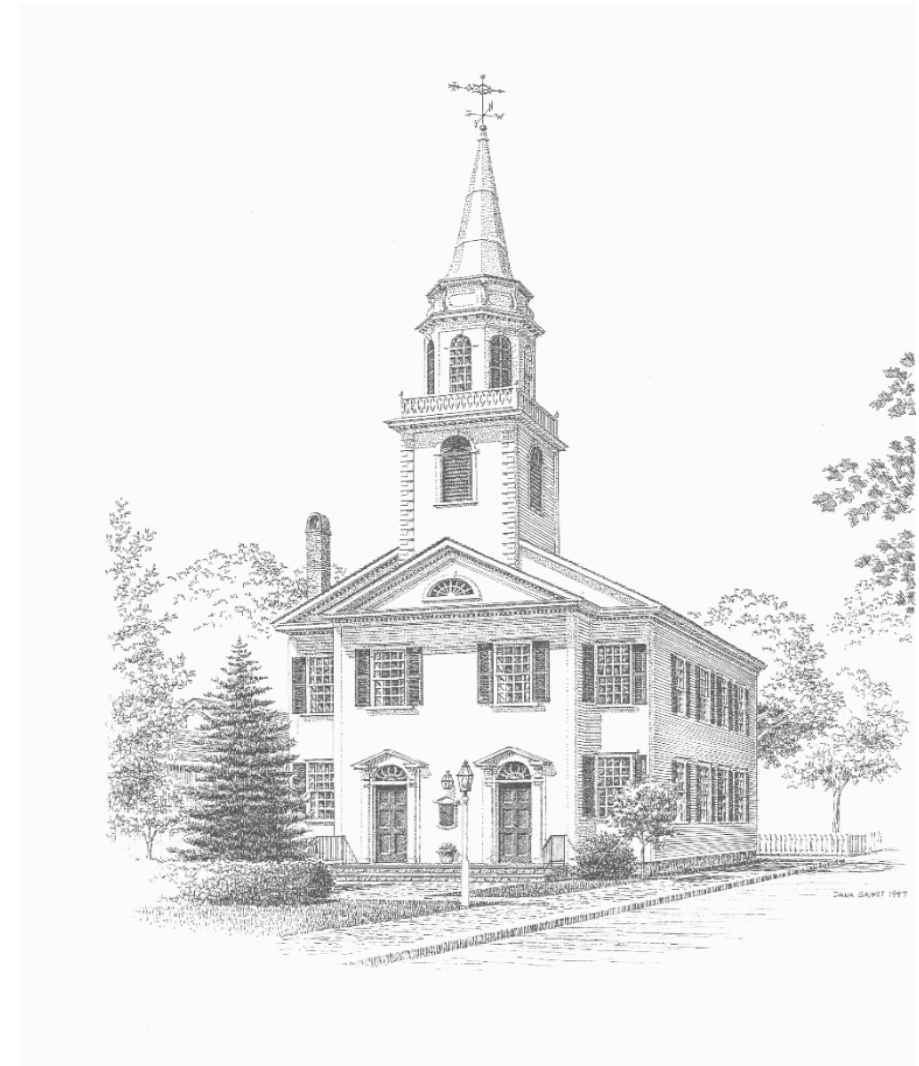
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“...Whoever you are,
whomever you love,
and wherever you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!”



The Federated Church of Martha's Vineyard
Edgartown, Massachusetts
May 25th, 2025, Eastertide
A welcoming community serving God and neighbor