Welcome!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Jesus, Lead Thou On"

-Manz

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus told us to love one another.

People: We worship God, who is love, when we love one another.

Leader: Jesus told us to love our neighbor.

People: We worship God, who is love, when we love our neighbor.

Leader: Jesus told us to love our enemies.

People: We worship God, who is love, when we love our enemy. Leader: Come friends and neighbors, come enemies and strangers—

People: Let us worship together, the God of all love.

*HYMN #602 "Song of Zechariah"

-Merle's Tune

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

As the rising sun shines upon us bringing the light of day, we thank you God for guiding our footsteps in pathways of peace. Receive our praise and thanksgiving in this time of worship, O life-giving, and life-affirming Lord. In Christ's spirit 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 "Air" -Handel

*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.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE

#390 vs. 1+2 "O Savior in This Quiet Place"

-St. Stephen

ANTHEM "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"

-Prout

HEARING OF THE WORD 1 Samuel 16:14-23

-Reader, Joe Carter

SERMON "Playing Music for the King"

-Rev. Dr. Mark Winters

*HYMN #426 "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

-Canonbury

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Postlude on 'St. Thomas"

-Lasky

^{*} 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, family and friends of Susan Stevenson, who passed away last Sunday. 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. (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 Geoff Cahill & Fran Watson Ushers: Coffee Hour: Scottie Vail Fran Watson Flowers: A/V Team Member: Brett Regan

Choir Practice: Tuesdays at 4:30 PM

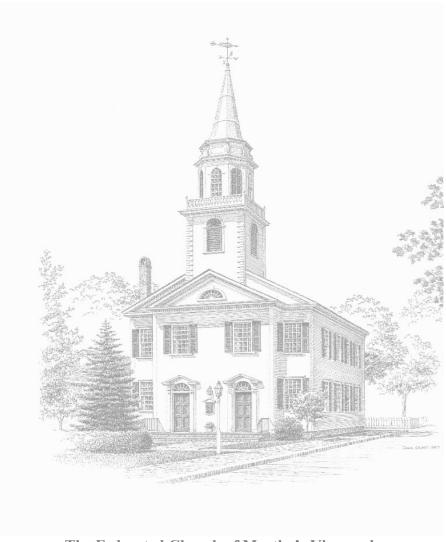
AA Meeting: Saturday at 8:00 PM

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 Moderator, William Veno Matt Durawa, Church Administrator 45 South Summer Street, P.O. Box 249

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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 October 19th, 2025 A welcoming community serving God and neighbor