

WELCOME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “O Bread of Life from Heaven” -Bender

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 #276** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” -Faithfulness

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess O God, the times we have forgotten that we are made in your image—holy, creative, compassionate, and just. And we have forgotten to treat others as also made sacred. For the times we have judged, overlooked, or distanced ourselves from others, O God, forgive us. And give us the strength to forgive others as well. In Christ’s spirit we humbly pray; 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!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE #390 “O Savior, in This Quiet Place” vs. 1+2
-St. Stephen

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “For the Bread Which You Have Broken” -Stainer

*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

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

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HEARING OF THE WORD Exodus 16:2-18 -Reader, Susan Waldrop

SERMON “Bread From Heaven” -Rev. Dr. Mark Winters

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION *(All are welcome to participate. The bread is gluten free, and the cups are filled with non-alcoholic grape juice.)*

INVITATION

PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS *(Please take a piece of bread and a cup as they are passed, but please hold on to each so that we can all eat and drink 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 #508** “For The Bread Which You Have Broken” -Kingdom

*CLOSING WORDS AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Grant us thy peace upon our homeward 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; amen.

POSTLUDE “Postlude “All Glory Be to God on High” -Vetter

* 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. Joe Carter and family & friends of his mother Betty, who passed last week, Ayo, who continues fighting and growing in the NICU, Shanta Gabriel, Lily Sisco, her family and friends, battling the rare Powassan virus, Grace Sullivan, who passed away a few weeks ago. Her memorial will be at TFC at noon on 10/10. 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
Ushers:	Geoff Cahill, Herb Ward
Coffee Hour:	TBA
A/V Team Member:	Elizabeth Villard

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

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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 5th, 2025, Communion Sunday
A welcoming community serving God and neighbor