

Pilgrim Congregational Church

**United Church of Christ
Harwich Port, Massachusetts**



Sunday, September 29, 2024

***We come together to grow in faith
and joyfully share God's love with all.***

Welcome to our Worship Service

An asterisk (*) indicates an invitation to stand if you are able.

Prelude “Morning Song” David Daniels

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

We acknowledge one another with a nod, wave, or “Peace be with you.”

Chimes

*Call to Worship

One: Sometimes we wonder how we have gotten through some difficult situations.

All: **God has been with us, lifting and comforting our spirits.**

One: We struggle and worry.

All: **God’s loving presence sustains and strengthens us.**

One: Listen for God’s call to you.

All: **Lord, we are listening and seeking your guidance.**

Lighting of the Christ and Peace Candles

***Hymn** “Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good” #6

Opening Prayer

All: **Lord of joy and mercy, be with us this day as we seek your voice and guidance. Remove the obstacles which block our commitment and help us to truly be your disciples, for we ask this in Christ’s name. Amen.**

Sung Prayer Response

Hymn #743

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

One: Patient Lord, we know that you call us to service,

All: but we often feel inadequate.

One: We love to make excuses for not doing something

All: or for doing something half-heartedly.

One: Remind us again of your loving and guiding presence.

All: Forgive us when we stumble and falter.

One: Turn us again to you,

All: serving joyfully and confidently.

Time of Silent Prayer

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Beloved Ones, you are the salty people – those who bring flavor to living. Your spirit of love and confidence gives hope to others. Remember that the Lord is always with you.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

A Message for Children of All Ages

Choir Anthem "Shenandoah" arr.: Jay Althouse

A Service for the Reception of New Members

Deacon: Let us, the members and friends of Pilgrim Congregational Church, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.

All: We welcome you with joy into the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we continue to grow together in God's

knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 124 (Old Testament page 572)

Mark 9:38-50 (New Testament page 45)

Sermon “Be at Peace” Rev. Amie Stuart Giguere

***Hymn** “Deep in the Shadows of the Past” #320

Call to Offering

Offertory “Meditation” Lloyd Larson

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People with the Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn** “When Morning Gilds the Skies” #86

***Benediction**

Postlude “Postlude on ‘Slane’” Douglas Wagner

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To receive our weekly church email, please contact the church office.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Minister: Rev. Amie Stuart Giguere

Music Director: Dr. Matt Scinto

Lay Worship Leader: Barbara Wellnitz

Fellowship Hour Hosts: The Missions and Outreach Committee

The steeple was lit on September 28 by Deb and Bob Martin “in celebration of the marriage of Robert and Jess.”

This Week at Pilgrim Church:

Sunday, September 29	1pm Blessing of the Animals
Tuesday, October 1	10am Izzy's Team 5pm Choir
Wednesday, October 2	10:30am Monbleau Hall Rental 3pm Joyful Prayer
Thursday, October 3	11am Coffee and Conversation 1pm Open Hands meeting 6pm Bell Choir
Friday, October 4	11am Knitting Group 2pm CCCO Rehearsal
Saturday, October 5	10am CCCO Rehearsal

Deacons' Meeting: 2nd Tuesday at 10am

Trustees' Meeting: 2nd Tuesday at 3:30pm

Church Council Meeting: 3rd Thursday at 3:00pm

Missions and Outreach Meeting: 3rd Sunday at 9am

Vision Team Meeting: 2nd Wed. at 5pm and 4th Sunday at 11:30am

Welcome to Our New Members

Susan Clapp (she/her) P.O. Box 623/11 Center St. Dennis Port, MA
(978)340-0998

Originally from Everett, MA, and later Chelmsford, MA, Susan and her husband, Dave, have lived in Dennis Port for five years. They are parents to adult children, Stephanie and Kimberly, who are both married, one just a few months ago, along with two grandsons, ages six and three! Susan spent her working years in banking and then in Special Education as a Teacher Aide with elementary grades K-4. She is now retired and enjoys art/painting, various crafts, and gardening. She looks forward to getting involved with Messy Church!

Edward (Ted) Flynn (he/him) 23 Laura Rd. Centerville, MA
(508)274-9425

Ted and his wife, Kate, have lived for twenty years on Cape Cod. They have two sons still at home with them, Liam (20) and Brian (15,) as well as their dog, Asha. Ted is currently serving PCCHP as our Facility Manager and is a former landscaper. Ted enjoys reading as well as hiking, fishing, gardening, animals, tracking wildlife, and especially spending time with family and friends. Ted is dedicated to furthering the mission of PCCHP, and we're so pleased he decided to become an official member.

Jan Kalicki (he/him) 6 Bayview Rd. Harwich Port and 1917 Windsor Rd.
Alexandria, VA (703)568-5838

Born in London, England, Jan has been at the Cape part-time since 1971. He has also lived in the UK, France, New York, California, and Washington, D.C., working in government service and academia. Jan is an author and editor of books on China, Russia, and Global Energy. Jan's first (late) wife's family began in Harwich Port in the 19th Century and were related to Presidents Cleveland and Van Buren. Jan is most interested in nature and public affairs, especially world politics. He lights the PCCHP steeple every year on Thanksgiving Day in memory of his dad.

TODAY

Blessing of the Animals



Sunday, September 29 at 1pm

Rev. Amie will offer blessings for the animals
who share our lives.

Please bring your leashed or crated pets
or pictures of your pets for a blessing.

Stuffed animals are welcome!

****Donuts and cider will be served on the front lawn.****

Donations will be accepted for
the Brewster Animal Rescue League of Boston:
[2023-Brewster-Wishlist-web.pdf \(arlboston.org\)](#)

Ana Glig, pianist in concert



Sunday, October 13, 2024 at 3pm
Pilgrim Congregational Church Sanctuary

Music by Bach-Siloti, Mozart, Janacek,
Mendelssohn, Liszt, Glinka-balakirev, Gabunia

Tickets are \$25
available for purchase at the door

This concert will support our church missions.