

Pilgrim Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

Harwich Port, Massachusetts



Sunday, June 4, 2023

Our Mission Statement:

We welcome ALL
to share the teachings of Jesus Christ,
to care for one another,
to serve others with compassion and love.

Welcome to our Worship Service

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

Prelude “Reflection on Beach Spring” arr.: Ryan Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Chimes *The chimes begin our service. Please silence cell phones.*

*Call to Worship

One: Architect of the universe, Creator of heaven and earth,

All: We join together in awe and wonder to praise your name.

One: Jesus Christ, our redeemer, who lived and died and lives again for us,

All: We follow your way, your truth and your life as disciples.

One: Spirit of Life, breathing life into all and moving us to justice,

All: We worship as one body with many gifts of use to the world.

One: Holy God, Blessed Three-In-One,

All: Though we do not fully understand, we trust in you, we worship you and join you on this journey of faith.

Lighting the Peace Candle

***Hymn** “Holy, Holy, Holy” #277

*Opening Prayer

All: Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity. We sing your praise, and on this Trinity Sunday we sing and pray in the metaphor we know best to describe you. Yet we know our words are inadequate to capture the fullness of your being. The words of Scripture are not enough to tell your whole story, but they do tell us enough: we are to love. We are to love one another, love this earth, love you, love

ourselves. Guide us into ways of care instead of harm. Teach us how to live out your loving-kindness with one another and ourselves. Keep us in your ways as Jesus taught, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

All: Loving God, often in our quest to do the work we are called to do, we miss the mark. At times we doubt even as we worship. Sometimes the same day in which we offer gratitude for answered prayers and blessings received, we think thoughts of apprehension and utter words of uncertainty concerning those same blessings. Occasionally we forget that the peace, love, hope and joy of the Divine extends beyond the walls of our churches and the hearts of those who identify as Christians. Help us to move past our self-centeredness and doubt. Help us to know all humans are worthy of experiencing your love. Help us to love boldly and without hesitation.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: God forgives us when we miss the mark, whether we've done so consciously or not. We're reminded of Paul's blessing: "Live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Choral Anthem	"Bound for Greater Things"	Ken Medema
Scripture Lesson	Genesis 1:1-4a	OT Page 1
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 28:16-20	NT Page 34
Sermon	"Never Alone"	Rev. Amie Stuart Giguere

Call to Offering

Offertory "Break Thou the Bread of Life" arr.: Larry Shackley

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

We celebrate an open table and welcome all to taste and see God's goodness here. The cup is grape juice and the bread is gluten-free.

The Invitation

One: Luke, the evangelist wrote of our risen savior, who at the table with two of the disciples, took bread - blessed and broke it - and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened, and they recognized the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

All: In company with all believers in every time and beyond time, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

One: Brothers and sisters in Christ . . .

Communion Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sanctus

Words of Institution

Sharing Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: We give thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of your son, 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.

***Closing Hymn**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

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***Benediction**

Postlude

“Fanfare and Voluntary”

David Paxton

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The church office is open Monday – Friday, 9am-2pm.

Reverend Amie Stuart Giguere is in the church on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Her email is revamie@pcchp.org.

Our Sexton, Ted Flynn, can be reached at 508-274-9425.

A weekly email is sent out on Fridays to members and friends. If you would like to receive it, please contact the church office.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Minister: Rev. Amie Stuart Giguere

Director of Music: Matt Scinto

Worship Leader: Carol Wiley

Coffee Hour Hosts: Dona Webber

This Week at Pilgrim Church:

Monday, June 5	Kids cook in Dorcas
Tuesday, June 6	10am Izzy's Team 3pm Afterschool Gym 7pm Choir
Wednesday, June 7	9:30am Awe Walk – Self-led
Thursday, June 8	9am Bible Study 11am Coffee at Cape Roots (gather if you wish) 2:45pm Kids cook in Dorcas 3:30pm Joyful Prayer 7pm Bell Choir
Friday, June 9	11am Knitting Group

Please join us for Coffee Hour following worship service today.

Wednesday, June 14, 2023, 6-8pm
Pilgrim Church Potluck Dinner
and ONA Workshop



featuring Tracy Morin, Equity and Inclusion Consultant

All are invited to this participatory workshop
to learn about how to live our commitment to being
an Open and Affirming congregation. We need everyone!

Please sign up in Monbleau Hall.