

**First Congregational Church**  
United Church of Christ  
3 Gray Road, North Yarmouth, Maine 04097  
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**The Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**  
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**We Gather to Worship God**

**Prelude**

**Postlude on “Balenwern”**

**Ian Higginson**

**All Sing:** God welcomes all! Strangers and friends!  
God’s love is strong! And it never ends!

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Invocation**

**Pastor Zeb**

**Call to Worship**

One: Hallelujah

**All: Praise God in this sanctuary;**

One: Praise God for the divine deeds;

**Many: Praise God’s greatness!**

One: Let everything that breathes praise Adonai

**Many: Hallelujah**

**Grounding Prayer**

**\*Passing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. — Response: And also with you.

**\*Hymn**

**Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven**

**CH# 23**

Words: Henry Lyte (1793-1847); Public Domain; adapt. Ecumenical  
Women’s Center and Ruth Duck, 1974; Tune: John Goss, 1869 P.D.

Praise, my soul, the God of heaven, glad of heart your carols raise;  
ransomed, healed, restored, for-given, who, like me, should sing God’s praise?  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Maker all our days.

Praise to God for grace and favor shown to all who are oppressed.  
God shows steadfast love forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious is God’s faithfulness!

Mother like, God tends and spares us, knowing well our fragile frame.  
Father like, God gently bears us, tender hearted, slow to blame.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! All with-in me praise God's name!

Frail as summer's flower we flourish: blows the wind, and it is gone.  
But, while mortals rise and perish, God's compassion still lives on.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the high eternal One!

Angels, teach us adoration you who see God face to face;  
sun and moon and all creation, dwellers all in time and space,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!

### **Scripture Readings**

Hebrew Scripture: 1 Kings: 17: 8-16

Gospel Reading: Mark 12: 38-44

### **Prayer for Confession, Release, and Blessing**

**Choir Anthem**

**Bless Me, Lord**

**F. Schubert/arr. P. Liebergen**

### **Discipleship for All Ages**

**Message**

**Pastor Zeb**

**\*Hymn**

**Blessed Assurance**

**CH# 543**

Words: Fanny J. Crosby, 1873; Music: Phoebe P. Knapp, 1873.

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a fore-taste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my  
story, this in my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my  
story, this in my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this in my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

## **Prayers of the People**

### **The Lord's Prayer (in unison)**

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## **The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves to God**

### **Offertory**

### **Prelude on "Durham"**

**T. Ravenscroft**

**\*Doxology:** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

### **\*Prayer of Dedication (in unison)**

Beloved God, We give thanks for these gifts today. We give thanks for all our blessings. We dedicate this offering to You and Your service. We promise to spread Your love and peace far and wide. Amen.

### **\*Hymn**

### **O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee**

**CH #602**

Words: Washington Gladden, 1879; Henry Percy Smith, 1874

1. O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly  
paths of service free; tell me thy secret;  
help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
winning word of love; teach me the wayward  
feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.
3. Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer,  
dearer company, in work that keeps faith  
sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

4. In hope that sends a shining ray far down the  
future's broadening way; in peace that only  
thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Variations on an Aeolian Melody  
Invocation à Cèsar Franck  
Voluntary on "Lauda Anima"**

**Brenda Portman  
Joseph Bèesau  
R. Williamson**

**We Go Forth to Serve God and Our Neighbors**

\* Those who are able may stand.

### Staff

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Offerings can also be made online at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1301940>.

### THIS WEEK\*

Today 10:30 am, Coffee Hour

Faith Formation following worship

Monday, November 11 – Church closed in observance of Veterans' Day.

Missions Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, November 12 – Choir – 6:30pm – Sunday, November 17 - 8:30am.

### IN OUR PRAYERS\*

Congregation & Community: Sheila Babcock-Pet Pantry Patron, David and Michelle Bickford, Terri Bickford, Candy Burgess, Carol Davis, Sandra and Vince Golonka, Blanche Mays, Rey and Ellen Medrano, Steve Quentel, Lori Martin and Kaitlin Quentel, Susanellen Stearns, Nancy Thomas, Cindy & Bill Thompson, Nancy White

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