

First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
3 Gray Road, North Yarmouth, Maine 04097
Organized in 1806



The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
July 13, 2025 ~ 9:30 a.m.

God in three persons blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee;
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God ever living, through eternity.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see;
only thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord, God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons blessed Trinity.

Invocation & The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, you show us how to be in community together, thank you for gathering us this day, onsite and online. We give you thanks for the ways we have been held in love in this community of faith. We are comforted by memories of mercy shown to us in difficult times, both by our friends in this space, and by your gracious presence in our lives. Guided by your example, empower us to live with radical love and brave compassion. For we pray as you have taught us:

All: **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.**

***Passing the Peace**

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

Scripture Readings

**The First Testament
The Gospel**

**Amos 7:7-9
Luke 10:25-37**

Discipleship for All Ages

***Hymn – *Renew Your Church* – vv. 1 & 2**

CH # 463

Words: Kenneth L. Cober, 1960, alt. Music: American folk melody, c. 1840

Renew your church, our ministries restore: both to serve and adore.
Make us again as salt throughout the land, and as light from a stand.
'Mid somber shadows of the night, where greed and hatred spread their blight, O send
us forth with power endued. Help us, God, be renewed.

Teach us your word, reveal its truth divine, on our path let it shine.
Tell of your works, your mighty acts of grace, from each page show your face. As you
have sent you Christ to save, in love to triumph o'er the grave, O let our hearts with
love be stirred, help us, God, know your word.

The Good News: *We Believe in a Holy Church*
Colossians 1:1-10

Pastor Paul Day

***Hymn – *Renew Your Church* – vv. 3 & 4**

CH # 463

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Teach us to pray, for you are ever near, your still voice let us hear.
Our souls are restless 'til they rest in you: Love's design, ever new.
Before your presence keep us still that we may find for us your will
and seek your guidance every day. Teach us, God, how to pray.

Teach us to love, with strength of heart and mind, each and all human kind! Break
down old walls of prejudice and hate, leave us not to our fate.
As you have loved and giv'n your life to end hostility and strife,
O share you grace from heav'n above, teach us, God, how to love.

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response – *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*

CH # 306

Words: Psalm 143:1 Music: George Whelpton, 1897

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. A-men.

+ The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves to God +

Offertory

Paskemorgen Slukker Sorgen

R. Powell

***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 – *Take Time to Be Holy

CH # 572

Words: W.D. Longstaff, 1882; Music: George C. Stebbins, 1890

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
abide in him always, and feed on his word.
Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak;
forgetting in nothing God's blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
Spend much time in secret with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be;
thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let him be thy guide,
and run not before him, whatever betide;
in joy or in sorrow, still follow thy Lord.
And, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul;
Each thought and each motive beneath his control;
Thus led by his spirit to fountains of love,
Thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

Tubman

R. Rowlan-Raybold

We Go Forth to Serve God and Our Neighbors

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If you are not receiving church emails and would like to, please send an email to nyarmouthccucc@gmail.com asking to be added to the list. Like the NYCC FB page and you will be notified of what is happening there, too!

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

THIS WEEK*

Today 10:30 am, Coffee Hour
Tuesday, July 15 – 6 pm – Journey Together
Thursday, July 17 – 6:30pm – Council
Saturday, July 19 – 7:30am - Men's Club Breakfast at Toddy Brook

IN OUR PRAYERS*

Congregation & Community: Sheila Babcock (Pet Pantry patron), David and Michelle Bickford, Terri Bickford, Candy Burgess, Carol Davis, Sandra and Vince Golonka, Linda Lambrides, Blanche Mays, Steve Quentel, Lori Martin and Kaitlin Quentel, Holly and Charles Slonina, Susanellen Stearns, Nancy White. **Pilgrim Lodge:** *Middler Spirit* (Gr. 6-9); *Sr. High* (Gr. 10-12+)

Wider World: United Church of Christ, General Synod; People recovering from disasters in Texas, No. Carolina, So. California, and elsewhere; Black Mountain Orphanage; Peace in Ukraine, Gaza, and elsewhere.

*Please submit items for the Church Calendar or the Prayer List to Pastor Day or Lyn Glassock by Tuesday in order to be included in the bulletin. Thank You. **Note:** Hymns and songs are licensed under One License #A-73187 and CCLI #48404708