

First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
3 Gray Road, North Yarmouth, Maine 04097
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We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

All Sing: Alexandria Gomez, Daniel Peña, and Anthony Gomez
Holy Spirit, you are welcome in this place.
Let your glory come and move; Lord, have your way.
Come and fill our hearts with joy we can't contain.
In your presence we are free. In your presence we are free.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

People: sing the glory of God's name; give God glorious praise.

Pastor: Say to God:

People: How awesome are your deeds!

Pastor: Because of your great power,
your enemies cringe before you.

**People: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name.**

Pastor: Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

**People: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have understanding.
God's praise endures forever.**

Grounding Prayer

***Passing the Peace**

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

***Hymn**

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Insert

Words: Fanny Crosby; alt. Music: William H. Doane

Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry;

While on others you are calling, do not pass me by.

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;

While on others you are calling, do not pass me by.

Let me at your throne of mercy find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition, help my unbelief.
Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;
While on others you are calling, do not pass me by.

Trusting only in your merit, would I seek your face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by your grace.
Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;
While on others you are calling, do not pass me by.

Be the Spring of all my comfort, more than life to me;
Not just here on earth beside me, but eternally.
Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;
While on others you are calling, do not pass me by.

Invocation

God of power and might,
you show us the wisdom of humility,
reveal the healing you have in store,
and bless us in our working and planting.
Release your Word within us,
that we may live brimming with gratitude
for the full, abundant life
Christ gives to all.

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.

Scripture Reading - Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to

return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Prayer for Confession, Release, and Blessing

Choir Anthem Still, Small Voice John Cameron

Discipleship for All Ages (Children may be dismissed to Sunday School)

Message Gratitude in Practice Rev. John Fiscus

Prayers of the People

The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves to God

Offertory

***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.

***Dedication Prayer**

Gracious healer who meets us on the way, you give gifts we never earn and mercies we often forget to name. Receive these offerings as signs of our gratitude and expressions of our faith. Let them be more than ritual—let them become praise, rising from lives made whole in your grace. May we never settle for being merely clean when you call us to wellness, to joy, to thanksgiving. Make us a generous people, healed and healing, blessing others as you have blessed us. In the name of Jesus, who makes us well. Amen. (Luke 17:11-19)

***Hymn** When Peace Like A River (It Is Well) CH # 561
 Words: Horatio Spofford; Music: P. P. Bliss

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot,
thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul),
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,

let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and
hath shed his own blood for my soul.

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul),
it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!

My sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the cross,
and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul),
it is well, it is well with my soul.

My God haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul.

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul),
it is well, it is well with my soul.

***Benediction**

Postlude

We Go Forth to Serve God and Our Neighbors

* Those who are able may stand.

Thank you to the Rev. John Fiscus for serving as our guest pastor this morning.

The altar flowers this morning are in loving memory of Clark Whitter.

THIS WEEK*

Today 10:30 am, Coffee Hour

11:00am, Pastoral Search Committee Meeting

Monday, October 13 – 6:30pm – Missions Meeting via Zoom

The Church will be closed in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day

Tuesday, October 14 – 10:00am - Tuesday Gals

Thursday, October 16 – 6:30pm – Council Meeting

Saturday, October 18 – 7:30am – Men's Club Breakfast at Toddy Brook

Congregation & Community: Sheila Babcock, 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

Wider World: 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 Lyn Glassock by Tuesday in order to be included in the bulletin. Thank You.

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