

...Jesus said to him,
"Go
and do likewise."
Luke 10:37

The Original Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Sunday, July 10, 2022 9:30am
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

"Salaam" (Peace will come upon us yet)
Mosh Ben-Ari Sung in Hebrew Charles Peters, guitar

GREETING

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Notices for the program, ministries and people of the church are shared.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: By the Spirit, the Lord leads us into worship.

People: The Lord makes us more loving in our heart.

Leader: The Lord makes us more holy in our heart.

People: Let us be more like Jesus in all we do!

*OPENING HYMN No. 403 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian in My Heart*

GATHERING PRAYER

Leader: God of Rescue and Redemption, hear our prayers we lift to you today. In a difficult and dangerous world, be our shield. Defend us from all enemies of body, mind, spirit, and community. May we endure with patience. May we bear the fruit of the Spirit in all our good work. Fill us with all spiritual wisdom and divine understanding that we may make a difference in our days. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *all versions are welcomed in the Spirit*

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 and ever. Amen.

***All who are able please stand**

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RESPONSIVE READING *from Psalm 28*

Leader: To you, O Lord, I call, my Rock!

People: Do not be silent to me,

Leader: That I may go down to the pit.

People: Blessed is the Lord!

Leader: The Lord has heard the voice of our pleas for mercy.

People: The Lord is our strength and our shield.

Leader: In our heart we trust that the Lord will help.

People: Our hearts exult, we give thanks in song.

Leader: Save your people and bless them, O Lord!

People: Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

*ACT OF PRAISE No. 36

Glorify be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 1:9-14 "Bearing Fruit in God's Good Work"

ANTHEM

"When My Morning Comes Around"

Iris DeMent

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37 "The Parable of the Good Samaritan"

SERMON "On The Other Side"

*HYMN No. 386

We Are One in the Spirit

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: Christ is with us.

People: Christ is in our midst.

Leader: Let us pray.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL TO OFFERING & SERVICE

May we present our God gifts with thanks and praise!

OFFERTORY

"It is Well with My Soul"

Horatio Spafford

*DOXOLOGY No. 44

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, we dedicate our gifts to your merciful works!

*COMMISSIONING & CONNECTING

Send a blessing on your social media and contacts far and wide.

Whichever side you find yourself on, bring mercy to it.

*CLOSING HYMN No. 305 *Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door*

*SPOKEN BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE **“Country Dance”** Traditional Scandinavian
Charles Peters, Mandolin



Welcome to the OCC!

Thank you for sharing in worship with us this morning.

May God grant you and your loved ones all the joys of the summer season.

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LIFE OF THE CHURCH

IN OUR PRAYERS...

Lynnete Beaudro, for prayers of comfort and safety during her deployment.

Peg Mercier, for prayers of peace and healing.

Les Burch, for continued progress, strength and wellness.

Jean Dusty, needing thoughts and prayers for healing.

Today's Flowers are Dedicated to the Glory of God

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S LITURGISTS: **Heather Castelo**

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S USHERS: **Leesa Burke and Jane Claffey**

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S COUNTERS: **Leesa Burke and Jane Claffey**

THE OCC PHONE SYSTEM has seen its last day. We are now talking to you on an ole "Princess Phone" which, for those of you who remember what that is, does not allow for transfers of calls, messaging or faxing etc. We also do not seem to be able to reset the outgoing message, for which Verizon has no solution, as of yet. SO, if you need to leave a message, please leave it on Pastors voicemail. If you need of pastoral care, call Pastor Ken's cell directly as published in the directory. Thanks for your help with this. We are in the process of getting a new system.

On another note, the office will be on summer hours, **Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm, from July 4th thru September 6th.**

"GROW THE OCC"Ideas are in bloom with our new **"Grow the OCC"** group, as it works on ways to grow our church and bring active church life back after the pandemic. Ideas, thus far include: creating an atmosphere of welcome (visuals in the church such as signage and bulletin boards, social and digital media, greeting and welcoming new folks), planning new events, increasing community involvement (such as Wrentham Day and upcoming Wrentham 350th anniversary), and supporting our Christian education and youth. Check out our bulletin board (coming soon) with more details and ways to get involved. We can all help as our group expands and becomes even more active in September. We welcome all to join in and help us grow the OCC!

GINGERBREAD FAIR....

Please see the newest Website postings for updates about the November 19, 2022 Gingerbread Fair, or if you prefer, copies of the posting are on the information table outside of the library.



The Covenant



Welcome to The Original Congregational Church in Wrentham! Because we believe all people are created in God's image and thus blessed and loved equally by God, and because love is the unifying and strengthening force of our Christian faith, we the members of The Original Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, hereby declare ourselves an Open and Affirming Christian community, expressing Jesus' inclusive embrace of all people.

We welcome all who have no church home, seek strength, and want to follow the teachings of Jesus.
We welcome believers and non-believers, doubters and questioners, and questioning believers.

We welcome new visitors and old friends.

We welcome grandparents, mothers, fathers and children.

We welcome single and partnered people.

We welcome people of all ages, colors, cultures, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions.

Here at The Original Congregational Church, Wrentham, we believe that **whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.**

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