



The Original Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Sunday, June 2, 2024, 10:00am
Second Sunday after Pentecost
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

***Faith, hope and love abide,
But the greatest of these is love.***

—1 Corinthians 13:13

Order of Worship

PRELUDE **Impromptu in A-Flat** Franz Schubert

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.

WELCOME & ONA COVENANT *printed on back*

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Announcements are made for the good of the parish.

A TIME FOR MUSIC WITH THE CHILDREN

*HYMN No. 404 ***Love Divine, All Loves Excelling***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Creator God, in wonder you have made the world. In your great faithfulness you call us to be holy. We confess that our faith wavers. Under stress we do not love you and one another as we ought. Forgive us our unbelief. Melt our hardness of heart with your compassion. Fashion us into your caring community to redeem, renew and restore. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear these words of assurance.

It is the Lord who says, "Light will shine out of the darkness." It is God's steadfast love that will shine on forever. Know that the power of Christ's love saves us from our sins. We are lifted up in the Spirit to speak of God's good news to the people and to sing out to the glory of God!

People: Praise be to the Lord our God!

RESPONSIVE PSALM *from 139*

Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

People: You are acquainted with all my ways.

Leader: Even before a word is on my tongue,

People: O Lord, you know it completely.

Leader: For it was you who formed my inward parts.

People: You knit me together in my mother's womb.

Leader: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

People: Wonderful are your works.

Leader: In your book were written all the days formed for me.

People: How vast are your thoughts, they are more than the sand.

*ACT OF PRAISE No. 36

Words: 3rd Century; Music: 1851

Glory 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

Deuteronomy 6:4-7 "Love the Lord with All Your Heart"

ANTHEM

"I'll Fly Away" Albert Brumley, arr. R. Wesby

SCRIPTURE

Mark 2:23-3:6 "The Gift of Sabbath Life"

SERMON “To Reach Out with Love”

*HYMN No. 472 *I Would Be True*

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: Christ is with us.

People: Christ is in our midst.

Leader: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

Leader: Let us make our sacrifices to the Lord with love.

People: We rejoice to present our gifts to God!

OFFERTORY “Roll Down, Justice” Mark A. Miller

(Incorporating “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” R. Robinson)

Please join in singing the verse

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Roll Down, Justice!". The title is centered at the top. The score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Come, thou fount of ev-'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing your grace. Streams of jus-tice, nev-er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud-est praise. Teach me... some me-lo-dious son-net, sung by... flam-ing tongues a-bove. Praise the mount! I'm fixed up-on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!"

*DOXOLOGY No. 44 Words: Thomas Ken, 1674; Music: Bourgeois, 1551

**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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Leader: Holy God, we dedicate our gifts to you.

People: May you bless the people with love.

Leader: May you bless the people with peace.

People: And may we always abound in your grace. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive at the Lord's Table!

COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

SANCTUS *Sung in unison, see insert ("Holy, Holy, Holy")*

CONSECRATION

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.**

LAMB OF GOD *Sung in unison, see insert*

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*SENDING & COMMISSIONING

We rejoice in the mission to share our faith and grow the church of Christ!

Leader: Let us go proclaiming God is Love.

People: We shall serve the Lord with all our hearts!

Leader: Let us go seeking the peace of God.

People: We shall rejoice in all we are called to do together!

*HYMN 349 *Go in Peace*

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

No. 291 **“Amen”** Danish

*POSTLUDE **“Alla Hornpipe”** from *Water Music* G.F. Handel



Welcome to the OCC!

We are so glad to have you join us in worship today.

Please join us for refreshments after worship.

Enjoy our “Love Sunday” cupcakes and crafts!

May all the gifts of the Spirit be yours!

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

IN OUR PRAYERS...

Lynnete Beaudro, in our prayers of safety in Qatar.

Peg Mercier, on the recent passing of her son-in-law, Patrick.

Mary Williams, for healing and recovery.

Brian Donlan, for healing and recovery.

Pearl and Gerry Gottberg, for continued healing and recovery.

Mari Georgio for healing and recovery.

Pastor Ken for his recent diagnosis and treatment plan.

Sean and Kim Kelly on the sudden passing of Sean's son, Connor, in an accident this week.

The family of Betty Tobin who passed recently under Hospice care. Betty's husband Cliff served the OCC as our 17th pastor beginning in 1969.

Today's Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S LITURGIST: **Joan Mello**

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S USHERS: **Steve Becker, Bob Boissy, Heather Castelo, Kim Kelly, Gordon Wetmore**

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S COUNTERS: **Ralph Lambalot, Bob Casavant**

SAVE THE DATE!

Wed., June 12, 5:00pm—Food Fun and Friends

Wed., June 19, following Lunch Bunch—Jewelry Sorting

Right after Lunch Bunch on June 19 you are invited to join Pam Donlan, Barbara Ligon, and Wayne Wise in Fellowship Hall to sort through and organize our accumulated array of jewelry in preparation for the November 16 Christmas Tree Church Fair. Tea and cookies will be served. Amid the chatter and organizing, we will raise our teacups to Wayne, our new Fair Jewelry Table Head!



**The Original Congregational Church
United Church of Christ, Wrentham, MA
Open and Affirming Covenant
Adopted on June 5, 2022**



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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Today, Sunday, June 2!

**Join us in Fellowship Hall following worship service
today for “Love Sunday” in celebration of
Pride in our church community!**

Coffee Hour Activities:

**Cupcake Decorating
Friendship Bracelets
Special Take Home Treat**

