

The Original Congregational Church United Church of Christ Sunday, July 21st, 2024, 9:30am Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Outdoor Service under the Sugar Maple

Join Us for OCC Cookout Today at 4:00pm!

Order of Worship

PRELUDE "There I Will Find Comfort" Janet Vogt

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.

*HYMN No. 610

Sweet Hour of Prayer

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Creator God, you have made the heavens and the earth as a delight. You have called all days into being. We confess that we forget your sacred rhythms of rest. We do not always keep the Sabbath as you created for us. Forgive us our unbelief. Grant that we may listen to your Word in worship and find rest for our souls in your faithfulness. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Receive these words of assurance.

The great good news of our faith is that the Lord is not finished creating beautiful days. God invites us to enter into a holy rest. In the power of Christ's love, our sins are forgiven. We may put to rest our worries, our weariness, and everything that leads us away from God. In love, God created the seventh day to be a refuge for us in time, giving thanksgiving for the gifts of Creation. **People: Thanks be to God! 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 those who are able, please stand.

RESPONSIVE READING *from Psalm 62*Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence.
People: God is our rock and salvation.
Leader: God is my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
People: On God rests our salvation and glory.
Leader: Our Lord is a mighty rock.
People: Trust in the Lord at all times.
Leader: Pour out your heart to God.
People: God is a refuge for us!

*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 READING Exodus 20:8-11 "Remember the Sabbath Day"

ANTHEM **"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"** Words: Horatius Bomar Music: Traditional, arr. R. Vaughan Williams

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 "Come Away and Rest Awhile"

SERMON "Rhythms of Rest"

*HYMN No. 598 In The Garden

PRAYER NOTICES are shared

CALL TO PRAYER Leader: Christ is with us. **People: Christ is in our midst.** Leader: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING & SERVICELeader: Let us return our gifts to the Lord.People: We give God thanks for the beauty of creation.Leader: Let us rejoice in all the blessings of the Spirit.People: We present our offerings to the glory of God.

OFFERTORY "Be Not Afraid"

Robert J. Dufford

*DOXOLOGY No. 44 Words: 1674; Music: 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: The Lord is our refuge and our strength. **People: We dedicate our time and offering to the Lord.** Leader: May we be increased in our faithfulness. **People: May our souls find sacred rest in the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*SENDING & COMMISSIONING We rejoice in the mission to share our faith and grow the church of Christ! Leader: Trust in the Lord in all times. **People: In God we take our strength.** Leader: God will guide us by grace. **People: In God we find rest for our souls.** Leader: Let us sing, pray, and keep God's ways. **People: We shall live out our faith in everyday!**

*HYMN No. 94 If You Will Trust in God to Guide You

*SPOKEN BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE "If You Will Trust in God to Guide You" Georg Böhm

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Welcome to the OCC!

Thank you for being in worship today! Join us for refreshments following the service. May the Lord grant you all good gifts of the Spirit!

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

IN OUR PRAYERS...
Lynnete Beaudro, in our prayers of safety in Qatar.
Mary Williams, for healing and recovery.
Pastor Ken for his recent diagnosis and treatment plan.
Elizabeth Enegren, for continued strength and recovery after surgery.
Ann Conaty, for strength in recovery.
Wayne "Mac" McCormack, for recovery of his recent illness
Tina Upham, for encouragement with healing.

Today's Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S LITURGIST: THANK YOU TO TODAY'S USHERS: Alice Gero and Kim Kelly THANK YOU TO TODAY'S COUNTERS: Ralph Lambalot and Bob Cassavant

TODAY... Don't miss the Church Cook Out, 4:00-6:00pm.

Corn Hole, Ladder Toss, Water games and Tie Dye. Signing up for Pot Luck is available at Worship service. See the back page or Contact Monica at monica@occhurch.net for more information.

Summer Office Hours have begun..

The hours are now Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00am-3:00pm

The organ is fixed! Technicians from Foley-Baker replaced a fuse in the power supply on Monday. Now, it will be ready when we return to the sanctuary on September 8th!



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.

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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