



The Original Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Sunday, July 14th, 2024, 9:30am
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

*The plumbline allows for complex
construction that endures for centuries*

Order of Worship

PRELUDE **"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"** John B. Dykes, arr. Paul Taylor

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. 469 ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Steadfast Lord, you are the cornerstone and the foundation of our faith. We confess that we do not always live true to your Word. We lean away from your holy and right way of living. Forgive us our sin. Show us the way to remain aligned with you in our daily life. Build us together as your fellowship of faith, a structure fully sustained in your Spirit. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Receive these words of assurance.

The great good news of our faith is that God's peace is spoken to those far and near. We are no longer strangers to God and one another for we all have access in one Spirit to the Lord. Our Lord has us remain steadfast to the ancient covenant promise. We are held together by the uprightness of the Lord. In Christ, our sins are forgiven. In Christ, we may align the world in peace.

People: 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 85*

Leader: Let me hear what the Lord will speak.

People: God will speak peace to the people.

Leader: Surely the Lord's salvation is near.

People: Glory will dwell in the land.

Leader: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet.

People: Righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Leader: Faithfulness springs up from the ground.

People: Righteousness looks down from the sky.

Leader: Yes! The Lord will give what is good.

People: Our land will yield its increase.

Leader: Righteousness goes before the Lord.

People: God's footsteps will make the way.

*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

Amos 7:7-9 "The Lord Shows Amos the Plumb Line"

ANTHEM **"My Song of Praise"** Don Besig and Nancy Price

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:19-22 "Built Together into a Dwelling Place for God"

SERMON "Building the Household of God"

*HYMN No. 238 *The Church's One Foundation*

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 & SERVICE

Leader: Let us present our gifts to the glory of God.

People: With humble hearts we worship the Lord.

OFFERTORY **"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"**

Words: Latin, 7th c.; tr. John M. Neale Music: Henry Purcell

*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: Holy God, accept our gifts we bring.

People: We dedicate ourselves to work in your name.

Leader: Bless us in our building our fellowship of faith.

People: May you keep us forever true in your ways. Amen.

*SENDING & COMMISSIONING

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

Leader: God's sends us out east and west, north and south.

People: We go with God to build the community of love.

Leader: By the Spirit we are all the children of the Lord.

People: By the Spirit we remain forever one in God.

*HYMN No. 381 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

*SPOKEN BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Amen (Danish)

*POSTLUDE "Courante in E" J. S. Bach



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.

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

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

Today’s Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God

THANK YOU TO TODAY’S LITURGIST: **TBD**

THANK YOU TO TODAY’S USHERS: **Leesa Burke and Lesley Whittemore**

THANK YOU TO TODAY’S COUNTERS: **Leesa Burke and Richard Randlov**

Church Cook Out, Sunday, July 21st 4:00-6:00pm .

Corn Hole, Ladder Toss, Water games and Tie Dye. Signing up for Potluck is available at Worship service. 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

WOOSOX Game, Saturday August 3rd. Sponsored by the Central Mass Association— See the flyer in Fellowship Hall for details regarding tickets for an evening of fun, food and fellowship!



**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.



D.C.C. COOKOUT

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POT LUCK

To register scan the
QR code or visit
occhurch.net
Hot dogs, fixings &
beans will be provided

Activities:

- Corn Hole
- Ladder Toss
- Water Games
- Tie Dye



July 21st
4 PM - 6 PM

