



The Original Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Sunday, July 28th, 2024, 9:30am
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Current safe boundaries began as
unknown frontiers*

Order of Worship

PRELUDE **“Gavotte in G”** J. S. Bach Monica Yohn, flute

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. 57 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Gracious God we are thankful for your mercy. We confess that we are not always diligent in prayer. When in times of distress we let our fears get the better of us. Forgive us our unbelief. Grant us your presence to steady us and set us on our correct course. May we by faith come into the place of refuge and rest, and our souls restored. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Receive these words of assurance.

When we cry out to the Lord, our prayers are heard. From the depths of despair God saves. The power of Christ's love delivers us from times of distress. Our sins are forgiven. We are drawn back into a relationship with the Lord, who has the power and the will to calm us in any chaos.

People: Praise be to the Lord! 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.**

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RESPONSIVE READING *from Psalm 107*

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the Lord for God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Some went down to the sea in ships.

People: Their business was on the mighty waters.

Leader: They saw the deeds of the Lord.

People: God's wondrous works were in the deep.

Leader: God commanded and raised the stormy wind.

People: The wind lifted up the waves of the sea.

Leader: They mounted up to the heavens and down to the depths.

People: Their courage melted away in their calamity.

Leader: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble.

People: God brought them out from their distress.

Leader: The Lord made the storm be still.

People: The waves of the sea were hushed.

Leader: Then they were glad because they had quiet.

People: God had brought them to their desired haven.

Leader: Let them thank the Lord for God's steadfast love.

People: We thank the Lord for all the wonderful works to us. Amen.

*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

Jonah 2:1-6 "Jonah's Prayer in Distress"

ANTHEM

"The Haven of Rest"

Henry K. Gilmour, George D. Moore

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 6:45-52 "Jesus Walks on the Water"

SERMON "In the Same Boat"

*HYMN No. 304

Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult

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 offerings to God with joyful hearts!

People: We are glad to strengthen our mission and work together.

OFFERTORY

“Shall We Gather at the River”

Robert Lowry, arr. Robert Lau

*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: Gracious God, you guide us across any sea.

People: Into the boat we build with you a new world.

Leader: We dedicate our gifts, our heart and hands to you.

People: We serve this community and beyond to your glory. Amen.

*SENDING & COMMISSIONING

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

Leader: In the world we encounter the storm.

People: The waves may rock the boat.

Leader: Our souls are tossed and thrown.

People: The destination is far from sight.

Leader: The Lord calls us to keep moving on.

People: Together, Jesus pilots us to the shore!

*HYMN No. 452

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

*SPOKEN BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE



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 in 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: **Pam Jennette & Kim Kelly**

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S COUNTERS: **Joan Mello & Jerry Long**

Summer Office Hours have begun..

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

Just a few things happening in the future of the OCC. Stay tuned for further details:

08/14 Food, Fun, & Friends Ice Cream Social 6-8 Fellowship Hall

08/15 Community Connections Meeting 7-9 Fellowship Hall

10/11 Food, Fun, & Friends 6-8 Fellowship Hall

11/20 Food, Fun, & Friends 6-8 Fellowship Hall

12/11 Wrentham Tree Lighting After lighting Fellowship Hall
(cocoa and carols)

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**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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