



The Original Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Sunday, July 7th 2024, 10:00am
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Adapt the pace of nature, the secret is patience.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Order of Service

PRELUDE **“Adagio a sostenuto” From Sonata Op. 20, No.2**
Friedrich Kuhlau

GREETING

Leader: Grace and Peace to you in the name of the One who is and who was and who is to come, the Lord Almighty!

People: And may our joy be made complete in our fellowship of faith! Amen.

WELCOME & ONA COVENANT *printed on back*

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Announcements are made for the good of the parish.

*HYMN No. 407 ***Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing***

CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Holy Lord, you call us together in your name and send us out to serve. We confess that our faith weakens in the face of obstacles. We are afraid of our vulnerabilities. Forgive us our unbelief. Grant us your confidence to make our way boldly. Make our ministries a blessing including all our imperfections. Establish your goodness in our midst. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear these words of assurance.

By faith our Lord equips us for service. By faith we make our way. Know that the power of Christ's love can move mountains and hearts, can still storms and create healing, and in Christ all our sins are forgiven. We are God's children called to love one another speaking of a deep and enduring peace for all. Amen.

People: Praise be to the Lord our God!

***All those who are able, please stand.**

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RESPONSIVE PSALM *from Psalm 48*

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

People: God's holy mountain is beautiful in elevation.

Leader: The city of our God is the joy of all the earth.

People: We ponder your steadfast love, O God.

Leader: We worship in the midst of your temple.

People: Your name reaches the ends of the earth.

Leader: Tell the next generation that this is God.

People: God will be our guide forever and ever.

*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

2 Corinthians 12:6-10 "God's Grace Is Sufficient for Me"

MUSIC "Great is the Lord" Michael W. Smith, Deborah D. Smith

SCRIPTURE

Mark 6:1-13 "Jesus Sends Out the Disciples Two by Two"

SERMON "Shake Off the Dust"

*HYMN No. 281

Spirit of the Living God

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 praise God with our gifts.

People: We thank the Lord for all our blessings.

Leader: Let us return strength to God's house.

People: In the Spirit we do great things!

OFFERTORY "Love Ye the Lord" G. F. Handel arr. H. Kiehl

*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, bless these our gifts.

People: Make us ready for service in your name.

Leader: Grant all to receive your word of peace.

People: May we dwell ever in your House of Love. 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 *unison*

Holy, Holy, Holy, God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the Highest!

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

Leader: Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world:

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People: Grant us peace.

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.

*HYMN No. 436

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

*BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE **“Allegro” From Sonata Op. 20, No. 1**
 F. Kuhlau



Welcome to the OCC!

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

Please join us for refreshments after worship.

May God bless you with all the 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 strength and recovery after surgery.

Today's Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God

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

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S USHERS: **Steven Becker, Mike Foster**

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S COUNTERS:

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

Corn Hole, Ladder Toss, Water games and Tie Dye. Sign-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.

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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Summer Office Administrator: Donna Charbatji**

