

The Original Congregational Church United Church of Christ Sunday, October 20th, 2024, 10:00am Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Service

PRELUDE "All Glory Be to God on High" F. W. Zachau

GREETING

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellow-

ship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also, with you.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN No. 57

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Gracious God, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbors as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. (UCC Book of Worship, p. 530)

SILENT PRAYER

*All those who are able, please stand.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Receive these words of assurance.

God promises to never leave us alone and even in our most challenging of times, to be beside us tenderly caring for our every need and supporting us as we strive to be faithful followers of Christ. The love of God is greater than any of our sins and we are given the grace of forgiveness when humbly confess our short comings and earnestly turn back to our Creator.

People: Thanks be to God for this gift of our faith! Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

RESPONSIVE READING Adapted from the Psalm 104

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

People: Lord, my God, you are great and clothed with honor and majesty.

Leader: You stretch the heavens like a tent and send beams of light on the waters.

People: You set the earth on its foundations so that it will never be shaken.

Leader: Lord, how manifold are your works.

People: In your wisdom you have created the world, Praise be to God!

*ACT OF PRAISE No. 36 Glory Be to the Father

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 Hebrews 5:1-10 "Jesus, God's Son"

ANTHEM "For the Beauty of the Earth"

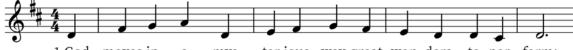
words Folliott S. Pierpoint, music John Rutter

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 10:35-12 "The Request of James and John"

SERMON: "A Place of Glory"

*HYMN

God Moves in a Mysterious Way



1.God moves in mys - ter-ious way great won-ders а to per - form; 2.Judge not God's way through hu-man sense, but trust un - fail-ing grace: fast, un - fold - ing 3.God's pur-pos - es will rip-en ev-erv hour; 4.Our un - be - lief is sure to err and scan God's work in vain:



1.God plants firm foot-steps in the sea and rides up-on the storm.

2.Be - hind a frown-ing prov-i-dence there shines a smil-ing face.

3.The bud may have a bit-ter taste, but sweet will be the flower.

4.God is God's own in - ter-pret-er whose truth shall be made plain.

Words: William Cowper; Music: DUNDEE, Scottish Psalter, 1615

PRAYER NOTICES

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: Christ is with us.

People: Christ is in our midst.

Leader: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Justin Kisch

CALL TO OFFERING AND SERVICE

OFFERTORY "When in Our Music God is Glorified"

Words: Fred Pratt Green; Music: Charles V. Stanford, arr. Harriet Ziegenhals HYMN No. 33: *Choir sings v. 1-4. Please join in singing v. 5.*

*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

*SENDING & COMMISSIONING

Leader: We all desire that "A Place of Glory" will be reserved for us.

People: Like James and John we hope Jesus will select us to sit beside him.

Leader: For Jesus, the "Place of Glory" is the Cross. Following Jesus means accept-

ing the joy and cost of discipleship.

People: Jesus said, "For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)

*HYMN No. 594 *How Great Thou Art*

*SPOKEN BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE No. 288 "Amen"

POSTLUDE "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" J.G. Walther

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Welcome to the OCC!

Thank you for being in worship today! Please, join us for refreshments following the service.

Blue Prayer Request forms are in the front of the Sanctuary for those who would like to share a request or concern or lift someone up in prayer. You may also contact Pastor Lori or Monica via email with any requests up to one hour before Service on Sunday. If confidentiality is a question, please direct all questions/requests to Pastor Lori. Thank You!

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IN OUR PRAYERS...

Lynnete Beaudro, in our prayers of safety in Qatar.

Mary Williams, for healing and recovery.

Pastor Ken, for healing and a speedy recovery after surgery.

Wayne "Mack" and Judy McCormack, for recovery after his surgery.

Tina Upham, for encouragement with healing.

Sherri Alleman, for continued strength in recovery.

Bob Casavant, for strength in healing and recovery after surgery.

Joseph Botaish, II, for peace and comfort while battling his illness.

Dick Shirley, for continued healing after an illness.

All the victims of the hurricanes.

Today's Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S LITURGIST: Pam Jennette

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S USHERS: Mike Foster, Judy O'Neill, Jean Roche &

Lesley Whittemore

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S COUNTERS: Mike Foster &

CALENDER:

Wednesday, October 23rd	1:30pm	Book Club
Thursday, October 24th	9:30am 12:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	Ladies Breakfast Red Cross Blood Drive Bells Rehearsal HOA Meeting Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 25th	7:00pm	Trivia Night
Sunday, October 27th	10:00am 11:00am 11:00am	Bells Perform Worship Service Harvest Day F.H. Coffee Hour Trunk or Treat

We need YOU to welcome GOD!

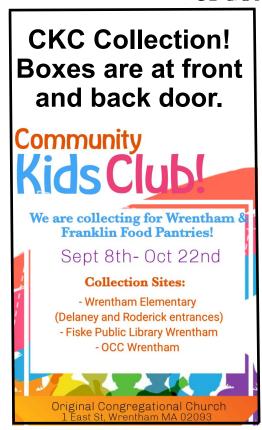
The Original Congregational Church is in need of NEW ushers/greeters and communion helpers!!!!

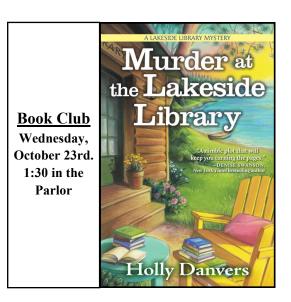
Please email Monica at <u>monica@occhurch.net</u> if you are interested or have any questions.



<u>Choir</u>: A little bird told me that some people would like to join the choir but they are nervous that they don't have much experience. Starting next week, September 26, I will invite newer singers to come at 7:15pm for some special instruction (every week, as your schedule allows). Normal rehearsals will begin at 7:30.

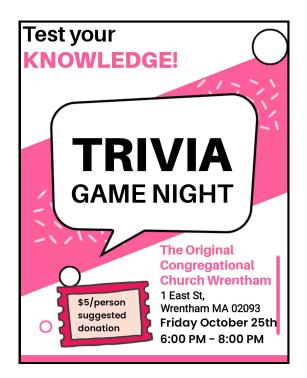
UPCOMING EVENTS





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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.

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.

THE ORIGINAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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