



Central Square Congregational Church, UCC

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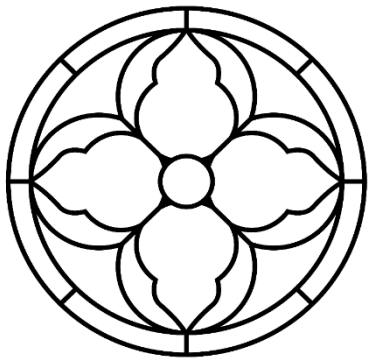
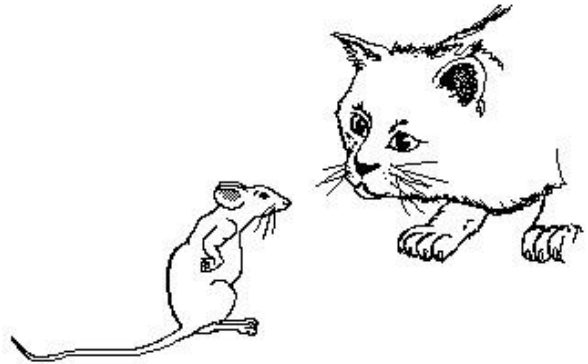
*We are delighted to
have you in Worship today!*

*In our church, no matter who you are or where you
are on life’s journey, you are welcome here!*

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2022

Prelude: *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”* Pamela Robertson

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: *“God of Grace and God of Glory”* Hymn #436

Call to Worship (based on Matthew 20: 1-16)

Come! Come and worship,
you who are still in pajamas and you who’s been up for hours
you who worship often, and you who don’t.
Whether you were the first to sign on this morning or the last or somewhere in between,
there is room for all of us in God’s kingdom,
and more than enough grace to go around.
Let us love one another wherever we are and let us worship God together!

Opening Prayer (inspired by Luke 6:38; Psalm 126:2; Psalm 122:1)

Creator God,
This is the day that You have made!
This is the day you have called Holy: Sabbath day, a rest day, a time-out,
out of the world and into the presence of God: a day for rejoicing.
Make us glad this morning in our hearts and in our worship.
Remove from us our distractions, our heart-worries,
our to-dos and should-haves and all the constant stress & strain,
And in its place, O God, give us more of You.
Here our hearts are filled with peace
our mouths with laughter, our tongues with shouts of joy.
In our worship today, Fill us to brimming and overflowing with your joy:
A good measure of your love, pressed down, shaken together, and running over.
We are glad, yes, we are glad indeed, to be together in your presence. Amen!

Opening Hymn: *“This is the Day”* Hymn #84

Moment for All Ages

Scripture Reading: Psalm 37:1-11,39&40

¹Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers,
²for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb.
³Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.
⁴Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
⁵Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.
⁶He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.
⁷Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way,
over those who carry out evil devices.
⁸Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil.
⁹For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.
¹⁰Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look diligently for their place, they
will not be there.

¹¹But the meek shall inherit the land, and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.
³⁹The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; he is their refuge in the time of trouble.
⁴⁰The Lord helps them and rescues them; he rescues them from the wicked, and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

Gospel Reading: Luke 6:27-38

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you. ³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.
³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Prayer of Forgiveness

Musical Offering: “*Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit*” Jane Marshall

Sermon

Musical Offering: “*Invention in D Minor*” Johann Sebastian Bach
Ryon Richardson, Pianist

Prayer for All People

The Lord’s Prayer (Please use the wording that is most meaningful for you.)

*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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

Closing Hymn: “*We Would Be Building*” Hymn #607

Benediction

Postlude: “*Be Still My Soul*” David Nevue

*Do you need a meal, a call, spiritual care, or even just a prayer?
Contact the Office, a Deacon, or a member of our Care Team.*

To contact Rev. Beth, call the church office at 508-697-6016 or e-mail her at csccpastor@hotmail.com.

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Supporting Our Ministry

During this time, we encourage you to continue your support of CSCC, to the degree you are able. Offerings can be made in any of the following ways: * Checks can be mailed to the church (71 Central Square, Bridgewater, MA 02324) * Bill-pay through your bank can be set up for one-time or recurring payments * Payments can be made via the Paypal link at the top of our website home page (www.cscucc.org).

If you have any questions, you can email the Treasurer directly and confidentially at treasurer@cscucc.com or call the church office at 508-697-6016.

Announcements



Ash Wednesday Lenten Service on March 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Communion Sunday, March 6th morning worship service at 10:00 a.m.

All Ages Communion Service on Sunday evening, March 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Contemplative Prayer & Meditation Services:

- Wednesday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 23rd at 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 30th at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m. - Trustees Meeting

Cabinet Meeting on Wednesday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

2022 Lenten Schedule through Easter Sunday on page 6

COVID UPDATE

Dear Members and Friends of Central Square Church,

Great News! We will be returning to in-person worship services next week beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022.

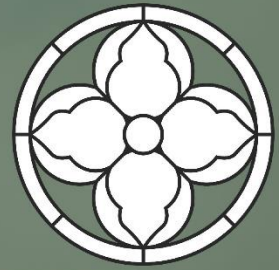
Worship, as always, will be live-streamed via [Facebook Live](#) and [YouTube](#) as well as on BTV throughout the week. You can also access worship from our website: www.cscucc.org

In the meantime, please reach out to the church office if you need anything; a meal, a prayer, someone to talk to... we're here for you. You can e-mail us at: office@cscucc.com or call us at 508-697-6016.

In Christ,
Rev. Beth, Staff, and the Deacons

2022 Lenten Journey

Theme: RETURNING



Wednesday, March 2 - Ash Wednesday Worship Service (7pm)

Sunday, March 6 - First Sunday of Lent Worship (10am)

Communion, Community, & Spiritual Growth (6pm)

Wed., March 9 - Contemplative Prayer & Meditation (7pm)

Sunday, March 13 - Second Sunday of Lent Worship (10am)

Wed., March 16 - Contemplative Prayer & Meditation (7pm)

Sunday, March 20 - Third Sunday of Lent Worship (10am)

Wed., March 23 - Contemplative Prayer & Meditation (7pm)

Sunday, March 27 - Fourth Sunday of Lent Worship (10am)

Wed., March 30 - Contemplative Prayer & Meditation (7pm)

Saturday, April 2 - Lenten Book Study

"No Cure For Being Human" by Kate Bowler (9am)

Sunday, April 3 - Fifth Sunday of Lent Worship (10am)

Communion, Community & Spiritual Growth (6pm)

Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday Worship (10am)

Thursday, April 14 - Maundy Thursday Worship (7pm)

Friday, April 15 - Good Friday Music and Meditation (3pm)

Saturday, April 16 - Holy Saturday End of Life Planning (10am)

Sunday, April 17 - Easter Sunday Worship

(6:30am at Hanson Farm, 10am CSCC Sanctuary)

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