

Service of Communion

*Communion Hymn #349: *"I Come With Joy"*

Invitation

Institution and Prayer of Consecration

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

*(Communion at CSCCUCC is Open Table. All are welcome.
The elements are gluten free and non-alcoholic.)*

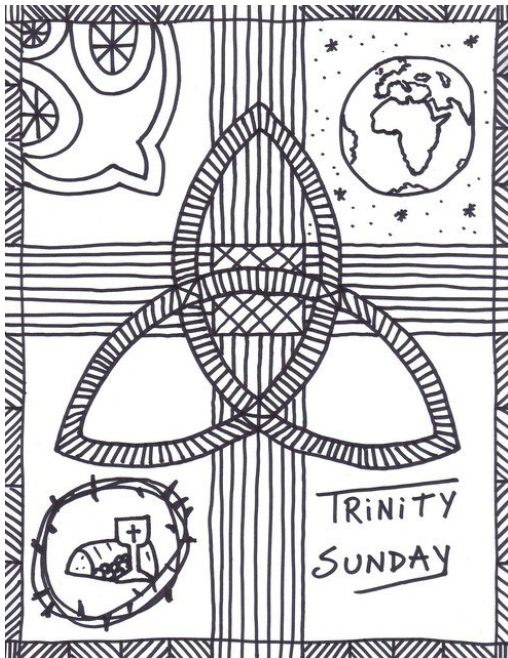
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Creator God, You call us to be your light in the darkness,
your voice in the wilderness, your hope for the hopeless.
We thank you for this meal we have shared today.
Through it, You have given us strength in our weakness,
peace and gentleness, words and boldness,
so we can proclaim more of you and less of us,
in a hungry and hurting world. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #277: *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

***Benediction**

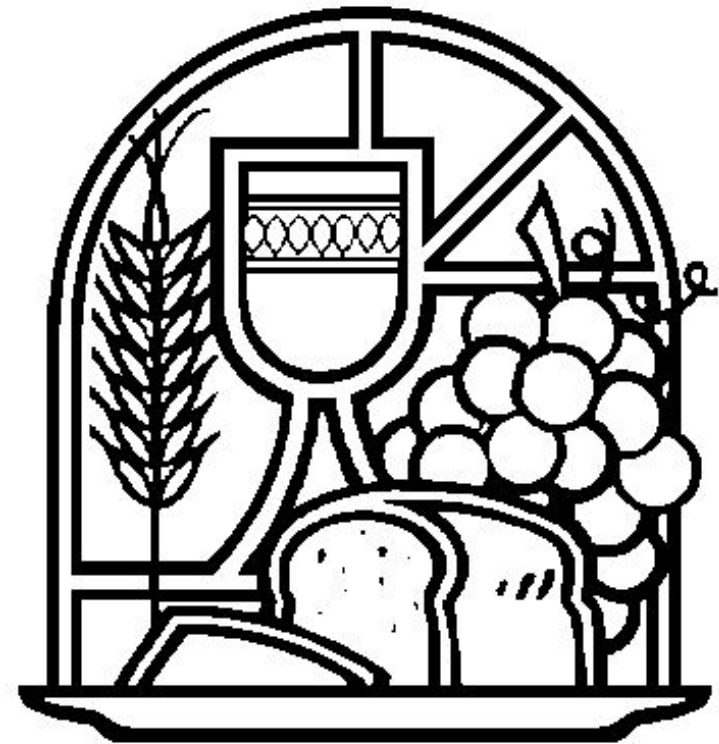
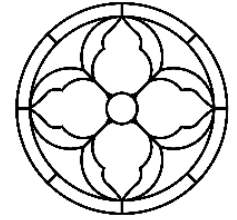
Postlude: *"The Lord Is My Shepherd"* John Prindle Scott



Central Square Congregational Church, UCC

71 Central Square, Bridgewater, Massachusetts 02324

*"We are a Christian Community of people
who are reaching out to our neighbors,
at home and abroad,
sharing our faith and our resources."*



Sunday, June 4, 2023

Guest Artist

Erin Merceruio Nelson, soprano

Please Note: This service is subject to change by the guidance of the Holy Spirit

* Denotes please rise in body and/or spirit.

Prelude: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" M. Andrews

Welcome and Announcements

Announcements and Invitation to Fellowship (If you are new or visiting, please include your address, phone number, and e-mail address when you sign the fellowship pad at the end of the pew so that we may properly welcome you to our community.)

Introit: "I Bind Unto Myself Today" Kerry Lewis

*Call to Worship

One: As followers of Christ, we are called to bring a hopeful understanding of our world declaring that God called the created universe "good."

All: We are called to bring this hope in God with us wherever we go declaring that God makes all things new again.

One: Jesus taught us that we should love God and love one another.

All: So we join together in our love of God To worship and give thanks.

*Opening Prayer

One: In the beginning God created all things, and God saw that they were good. At our beginning, God created us unique and irreplaceable, loved and wanted by God, known and treasured by God even before we were created. In each new beginning, God creates something new so we will seek God in the freshness of the morning, in the laughter of friends, in the colors of creation, and in this beautiful place.

All: Holy God of All Creation, open our eyes to see your presence, our souls to sense your presence, and our hearts to love your presence, here in your creation, and beyond it in eternity. Amen.

***Opening Hymn #273:** "Praise with Joy the World's Creator"

Scripture Reading: Genesis 1:1 – 2:4 p.1

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:16-20 p.810

Musical Offering: "Womb of Life, and Source of Being"

Homily: "In the beginning..." Rev. Beth Stotts

***Hymn:** "Of the Father's Love Begotten" (see insert)

Renewal of Marriage Vows

Peter & Diane Glass, Darlene & Larry Brown

Prayers

Celebrations and Concerns

(Conclude your prayer with the words "This is my prayer." Congregation responds, "This is our prayer".)

Moment for Meditation, Reflection, & Prayer

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.

Prayer Response: "Pie Jesu" Gabriel Faure

Responding to God's Grace

Reflecting on our Gifts

Offertory: "O God, Help Us in Ages Past" J. Nimoh

Pentecost Doxology

*For wisdom to discern the way,
for words to challenge evil's sway,
for gospel daring, free and true.
O Spirit, thanks and praise to you!*

Prayer of Thanksgiving



Mustard Seeds

Prayer List of the People For the week of June 4, 2023

Please note: Prayer requests should be submitted by calling the Church Office at: (508) 697-6016 or by e-mail to: office@cscucc.com.

- Prayers for Lisa Mackay's husband, Bob, who is in the hospital. (5/28)
- Prayers for Ginny Howell for health issues. (5/28)
- Prayers for the friends and family of Valerie Oakhem, who was murdered in Bridgewater last week. (5/28)
- Prayers of celebration for Sara Terpeny for completing her Masters degree in Business. (5/28)
- Prayers for the Bean family on the loss of their son Jeffrey after a long illness. (5/28)
- Prayers of celebration for Natalie Mosher's girlfriend, Jiseon, as she graduated with a PhD from Harvard, and for her family visiting from South Korea in support of her. (5/28)
- Prayers of healing for Diane Sheibley's friend, Bob, who recently had a stroke. (5/28)
- Prayers of celebration, and for safe travels, for Aiden Cannizzo and his fellow students as they travel to Washington DC. (5/28)
- Continued prayers of healing for Marge Doniger, as she is at LifeCare in West Bridgewater. Cards and visitors are most welcome. (5/28)
- Prayers for Sandy Kuipers and her family, as they mourn the loss of her brother. (5/21)
- Prayers for the friends and family of church member Al Lindsey, who recently passed away. (5/21)
- Prayers for Marci Langevin's neighbor whose cat is missing. (5/21)
- Prayers of celebration for the Hanson family on the birth of Brian and Samantha's son, Henry. (5/14)
- Prayers for the family of Carol Chaffee and her extended family, in the loss of her cousin and friend, Nancy, from brain cancer. (5/14)
- Prayers of health and healing for Kay Wheeler as she navigates through two cataract surgeries. (5/7)
- Continued prayers for Norm Sorgman, Mark Sorgman's father, as he continues to recover from heart surgery, and for his partner Liz Longdon who recently had a stroke. Prayers for their healing, and for finding a solution that works for both of them to be able to continue living independently. (4/30)
- Prayers for Doug and Vale Sime, whose daughter recently had open heart surgery and is now on the road to recovery. (4/23)
- Prayers also of healing to Larry Brown's mother, who recently fell and suffered a small fracture in her neck. (4/23)

- Prayers for Jamie Wells' friend Jessica, who is about to undergo her 8th or 9th colitis surgery this week. (4/23)
- Prayers for Mark, the husband of Rev. Dr. Mary Lou Gifford, who struggles every day with Parkinson's. (4/16)
- Prayers of celebration, and continued prayers of healing, for Nic & Aiden Cannizzo's grandfather who is home and doing outpatient rehab. (4/2)
- Prayers for Gordon Brailsford's brother, Russell, who is in the hospital with a blood condition. (4/2)
- Prayers of healing for Savannah Wells' dance teacher's son, Tom. (4/2)
- Continued prayers of healing and strength for the family of Doug Anderson, formerly of the Bridgewater area and now living in Wisconsin. His grandson, James, continues to battle metastatic cancer with surgeries and chemo, and has much more ahead. (3/26)
- Continued prayers for Diane & Peter Glass' great nephew Ben, who is doing well at his mental health facility. (3/26)
- Prayers for Ashley Earp and her family, as her father has recently been diagnosed with dementia. (3/19)
- Prayers of health and healing for Frank Ciaramitaro's mother, who is recovering from surgery. (3/5)
- Prayers for Ashley Earp and her family, as her oldest struggles with mental health issues. (3/5)
- Continued prayers for Mark Sorgman's brother, Todd, who is doing well following his stroke and is recovering at home. (1/29)
- Prayers for those who are victims of racial prejudice, and endure verbal attacks because of it, and specifically for Natalie Mosher's girlfriend, Jiseon. (1/8)
- Prayers of health, healing, and courage for Judy Balzarini, friend of Kathleen Mosher, as she fights cancer. (12/11)
- Prayers of strength and recovery for Bob and Michelle, friends of Bill O'Neil, who both suffer from substance abuse. (12/11)
- Prayers for Bette DeKoning's brother and sister-in-law, who have both experienced serious heart issues recently. (12/11)
- Continued prayers of healing and support for Mike Bundock as he continues his treatment for brain cancer. (11/6)
- Prayers for Bonnie, friend of Steve Boudreau, who is struggling with stomach cancer and not doing well. (10/23)
- Prayers for members of Gloria Weinrebe's family who have experienced the passing of a family member; whose son was in a motorcycle accident; whose daughter-in-law has medical concerns that are keeping her from working; and for other family members facing medical issues. (9/25)

Continued prayers for all veterans and those serving on active duty in the military both in the United States and abroad.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Wednesday, June 7	Thrift Shop open 10am – 1pm (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday, June 8	Food Pantry open 10am – 1pm (Church Street Entrance)
Saturday, June 10	Thrift Store open 10am – 1pm (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, June 11	Junior Choir Rehearsal 9:15am (Sanctuary)
Sunday, June 11	Worship 10am (Sanctuary)
Sunday, June 11	Annual Budget and Election Meeting 11am (Sanctuary)

Please donate to our ministries!



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Do you need a visit? A meal? Someone to pray with?

Contact Rev. Beth, a Deacon or a member of the Care Team.

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