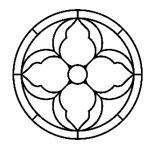
## **Central Square Congregational Church, United Church of Christ**

71 Central Square, Bridgewater, MA 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, January 19, 2025, 10:00AM

Special Guest Artist: David Pelino, tenor

Please Note: This service is subject to change by the guidance of the Holy Spirit \* Denotes please rise in body and/or spirit.

Prelude "Lift Every Voice and Sing" J. Rosamond Johnson & James Weldon Johnson

Welcome & Announcements

**Invitation to Fellowship** 

Introit: "Ride On, King Jesus"

\*Call to Worship (inspired by Romans 15: 4-13)

One: Gather around, you are welcome here, and you will hear Good News.

All: In a world where there are so many discouraging and negative voices it is the God of encouragement who will speak to us today. The God of Jesus Christ.

One: So come in, relax, let your tiredness roll away. Lift up your hearts, and listen.

#### \*Prayer of Invocation

Holy God, we come into your presence for a few moments of quietness in a busy world that demands our constant attention. Breathe on us now that we might know your presence and take this moment of worship to be with you and each other. In your grace we pray, Amen.

\*Opening Hymn #2: "Glory, Glory, Hallelujah "

#### **Kid's Church Gift Blessing**

	text by	Langston Hughes
<b>Musical Meditation:</b>	"Minstrel Man"	Margaret Bonds
Epistle Reading:	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	pg.933
Gospel Reading:	John 2:1-11	pg.863

#### Sermon

\*Hymn #490: "I Want Jesus to Go With Me"

#### Prayers

#### **Celebrations and Concerns**

(At this time, you are invited to share your prayer requests with the congregation. When you have finished, you may say, "This is my prayer". The congregation will reply, "This is our prayer".)

#### Moment for Meditation and Reflection

#### 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 have sinned against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### **Sharing our Gifts**

#### Invitation to Give

Offertory "Dream Variation" Margaret Bonds (text by Langston Hughes)

#### \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God for all that Love has done, Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn #570: "We Shall Overcome"

#### \*Benediction

#### Postlude:

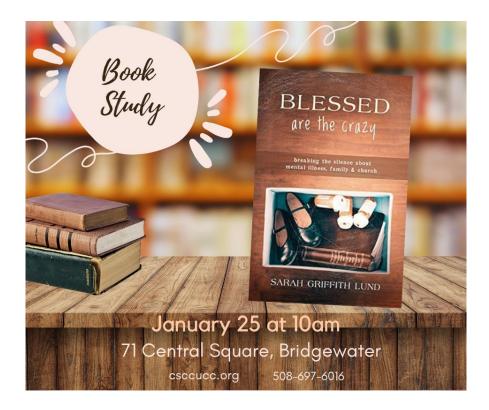
"I, Too, Sing America" Margaret Bonds (text by Langston Hughes) Please donate to our ministries!







https://csccucc.org/julia-carey-concert-1-24-25/



# Sunday, February 2 at 9am

# WHAT IS COMMUNION?

Meet with the Deacons and explore what communion is and why we do it.

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# What's Happening at CSCC This Week

Sunday, Jan. 19	Sr. Choir 8:30am	
	(Sanctuary)	
	Jr. Choir 9:20am	
	(Sanctuary)	
	Worship 10am	
	(Sanctuary)	
	Kids Church 10:10	
	(Kids Church Room)	
	Potluck Lunch 11am	
	(Fellowship Hall)	
Tuesday, Jan. 21	Grief Support Group 1pm	
	(Bridgewater Senior Center)	
Wednesday, Jan. 22	Thrift Shop 10am-1pm	
	(Fellowship Hall)	
Thursday, Jan. 23	Food Pantry 10am-1pm	
	(Church Street)	
Friday, Jan. 24	An Evening with Julia Concert 7pm	
	(Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall)	
Saturday, Jan. 25	Thrift Shop 10am-1pm	
	(Fellowship Hall)	
	Book Study 10am	
	(Fireplace Room)	
Sunday, Jan. 26	Sr. Choir 8:30am	
	(Sanctuary)	
	Jr. Choir 9:20am	
	(Sanctuary)	
	Worship 10am	
	(Sanctuary and Online)	
	Kids Church 10:15	
	(Kids Church Room)	
	Thrift Shop BONUS DAY! 11am-2pm	
	(Fellowship Hall)	
	Providence Bruins Game! 3pm	
	(Amica Pavilion, Providence)	

## Mustard Seeds Prayer List Prayer List of the People For the week of Jan. 19, 2025

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

- Prayers for Janice Dovner who is in the hospital. (1/17)
- Prayers for Virginia Chorley who is transitioning to hospice care. (1/15)
- Prayers for our former choir member, Lynne Bates, whose mother passed away. (1/12)

• Virginia Young asks for prayers for all the victims of the California fires, especially Valerie and Marian Belt, who lost their home in the Pacific Palisades. (1/12)

- Deb Sorgman requests prayers for her cousin Steve, who is in the end stage of PSP (Parkinsons). (1/12)
- Anne Malmquist requests prayers of healing for her Dad as he recovers from knee replacement surgery. (1/12)

• Mary Barnsley asks for prayers of strength and courage for her sister-in-law Maryann as she goes through testing for memory issues. (1/7)

- Mark Sorgman asks for renewed prayers for his dad, Norman, as he enters rehab after a stay in the hospital for pneumonia. (1/5)
- Evy asks for prayers for her Grandma in heaven. (1/5)
- Prayers for Roger Hanson. (12/29)

• Tristan Wells asks for prayers for Savannah Wells' boyfriend, Declan Cronin. His dog is recovering from surgery and is doing better. (12/22)

• Mark Sorgman asks for prayers for himself, for the strength to overcome the pain in his back, and find a permanent resolution so he may become more active and live a normal life. (12/15)

• Continued prayers for Beth, sister to Gail Wright and Lynn Pietras, as she continues her recovery and future surgery in January. (12/15)

- Prayers for Bill Govoni as he faces health issues and his wife Terry DeArruda as she navigates the system to support him. (12/5)
- Prayers for Joann Kelly and her 4 kids, Christine, Phillip, Emma, & Jack. Joann lost her life partner, Sean, to cancer last week. (12/1)

• Update on our prayers for 9-year-old Vivian, who has leukemia, and her mother, Jen. Vivian's treatment plan is going according to plan and should be done in June 2026. (12/1)

- Prayers for the Glass' neighbor, Stacey, who lost her husband tragically over a year ago. (11/24)
- Prayers for Barbara, as she has ongoing tests at Beth Israel. (11/24)
- Prayers for Alex Sikora who is recovering from knee surgery. (11/24)
- Prayers for a middle-aged woman who has come out and is struggling with her faith and family. (11/10)
- Prayers of healing for the Glass' niece, Jennifer, who has prolonged severe anxiety and is currently hospitalized again. (11/10)
- Krissy Cannizzo asks for prayers for Joe H., a dear friend, who is struggling with a liver transplant rejection. (11/10)
- Stephanie Holmgren asks for prayers for her friend's husband, Andy, who was recently diagnosed with cancer. (10/20)
- Prayers for Dominic's friend, for a speedy recovery from heart surgery. (10/6)
- Prayers for Sheri Turner's friend, Michael Liben, and his family who live in Jerusalem and have been in their bomb shelter due to missile strikes. Prayers also for his son-in-law who is deployed in Lebanon. (10/2)
- Prayers for Anita Mills, to learn how to live with severe chronic pain. (9/15)
- Prayers for healing for Bob Kelso following his recent open-heart surgery. (9/10)
- Prayers for a friend who is in long term care due to MS. (9/8)
- Prayers for Rich Sullivan's brother, Barry, who is recovering from brain surgery. (8/28)
- Renewed prayers for the grandson of Doug Anderson. James has a recurrence of cancer in his spine and liver. (5/5)
- Prayers for Rachel Lawson's nephew Leo, who has type 1 diabetes and is experiencing intestinal dysfunction. (4/14)
- Prayers for Cheryl Cardillo, who is healing from surgery and a new cancer diagnosis. (4/7)
- Prayers of peace and comfort from cancer for Brian Q. (4/7)
- Prayers for Eric Thompson, Sue Corcoran's nephew, who is struggling with mental health problems. (1/21)
- Continued prayers for Ashley Earp's dad, who has dementia. (12/22)

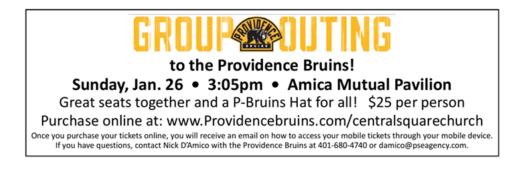
• Asking God for love and prayers for both the Israeli people and for the people of Palestine. Both need our prayers, for all of the innocent people on both sides.

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

Please note: We, the church, are in constant prayer for our church family, our community, our nation, and our world. We are in need of prayer, all of us. It is what brings us together! If you have requested an addition to the prayer list, it is helpful for

you to provide updates to the church office, whenever possible, or request that the prayer concern be removed as it is no longer a concern or the issue has passed. If we have removed a prayer concern and you would like it added back to the list because there is a great need to keep the prayer in the forefront of our hearts and minds, please go ahead and make this known to the church office. Thank you!





## We are delighted to Worship with you today!

In this church, no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

We are an Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ.

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

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

Rev. Beth Stotts – <u>csccpastor@hotmail.com</u> Deb Sorgman – <u>debsorgman@gmail.com</u> Anne Malmquist – <u>amalmquist@comcast.net</u> Carol Chaffee – <u>galchaffee@gmail.com</u> Bev Mitchell – <u>bev1944@comcast.net</u> Nina Gabel-Jorgensen – <u>ngjvns@gmail.com</u>

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The church office is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday from 9am – 1pm.

To make an appointment with Rev. Beth, please email her at csccpastor@hotmail.com.