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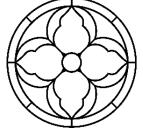
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The church office is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9am – 1pm. If you would like to make an appointment with Rev. Beth, please email her at <u>csccpastor@hotmail.com</u>.

# 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, March 30, 2025 10:00AM Please Note: This service is subject to change by the guidance of the Holy Spirit \* Denotes please rise in body and/or spirit.

Prelude: "Somewhere" Leonard Bernstein

#### Welcome, Announcements, & Invitation to Fellowship

"Simple Song" Introit:

Leonard Bernstein Performed by Ann Macdonald

#### \*Call to Worship:

One: Draw close, beloved of God. Press into community and fellowship.

#### All: For Christ is found, not only in solitude but in the noise and chaos of the crowd.

One: Draw close and press in, for together in worship, we truly become the body of Christ.

#### All: The body doesn't consist of one member but of many.

One: There is time to find God by ourselves and a time to find God together.

All: We gather as a community of saints to praise and worship God in unity. Come, let us worship!

#### Lenten Practice with the Deacons

#### **Opening Prayer**

Holy God, you sent Jesus to walk among the crowds, to experience the dust and sweat of humanity, and to witness human life on earth. Jesus meets us wherever we gathered. Even now, you are faithful to meet us in community, virtually and in person, in guiet prayer and in loud laughter. When we combine our gifts, personalities, and quirks, we can see a fuller picture of who you are. So open our eyes to seeing you in one another today

as we worship. Amen.

\*Opening Hymn #414: "Incarnate God, Immortal Love"

#### The Intentional Stewards

The Steward Family is played by: Carol Chaffee & Tallinn, Logan, Natalie, and Erik Müürisepp

| Epistle Reading:   | 2 Corinthians 5:1-21         | pg. 940                   |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Anthem:  | "Lift High the Cross"        | Hal Hopson                |
| Singing the Psalms:  | "Psalm 32"                   | NCH pg.642                |
| Sermon   | "Lent 4"                     | Rev. Beth Stotts          |
| *Hymn #614:  | "Go Forth, O People o        | of God"                   |
| Sharing our Gifts<br>Invitation to Give<br>Offertory:<br>*Doxology | "Here's One"                 | Performed by Bob Richards |
| ••   | ise God from whom all b      | lessinas flow.            |
| Praise God all creatures here below,                               |                              |                           |
| Praise God for all that Love has done,                             |                              |                           |
| Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.                            |                              |                           |
| Prayers  |                              |                           |
| Celebrations and Co  | oncerns                      |                           |
|  | e invited to share your pray | •                         |

'on. When you have finished, you may say, "This is my pr The congregation will reply, "This is our prayer".)

#### Moment for Meditation and Reflection

#### The Lord's Praver

(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.

\*Closing Hymn #417: "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

\*Benediction

Postlude:

"Make Our Garden Grow" Leonard Bernstein

### 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.

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## What's Happening at CSCC This Week

| Sunday, Mar.30   | Sr. Choir rehearsal 8:30am           |  |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
|                  | (Sanctuary)                          |  |
|                  | Worship 10am                         |  |
|                  | (Sanctuary)                          |  |
|                  | Kids Church 10:20am                  |  |
|                  | (Fellowship Hall)                    |  |
|                  | Transgender Day of Visibility 5pm    |  |
|                  | (Sanctuary)                          |  |
| Wednesday, Apr.2 | Thrift Shop 10am-1pm                 |  |
|                  | (Fellowship Hall)                    |  |
|                  | Women's Guild 6:30-7:30pm            |  |
|                  | (Fellowship Hall)                    |  |
| Thursday, Apr.3  | Food Pantry 10am-1pm                 |  |
|                  | (Church Street)                      |  |
| Friday, Apr.4    | National Burrito Day w/Rev. Beth     |  |
|                  | (12pm at Fiesta in East Bridgewater) |  |
| Saturday, Apr.5  | Lenten Book Study 9:30am             |  |
|                  | (Fireplace Room)                     |  |
|                  | Budget Listening Session 10:30am     |  |
|                  | (Fireplace Room)                     |  |
|                  | Thrift Shop 10am-1pm                 |  |
|                  | (Fellowship Hall)                    |  |
| Sunday, Apr.6    | Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am           |  |
|                  | (Sanctuary)                          |  |
|                  | Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:20am           |  |
|                  | (Sanctuary)                          |  |
|                  | Worship with Communion 10am          |  |
|                  | (Sanctuary and Online)               |  |
|                  | Kids Church 10:15                    |  |
|                  | (Kids Church Room)                   |  |
|                  | Budget Listening Session 11:30am     |  |
|                  | (Fireplace Room)                     |  |

## **Mustard Seeds Prayer List**

#### Prayer List of the People For the week of March 30, 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>.

- Liam O'Connell asks for prayers for a classmate who is on hospice due to cancer. (3/23)
- Bill O'Neil asks for prayers for the Basler family, on the death of Rob's father at 102 years old. (3/23)
- Prayers for recovery of friend AI as he goes thru treatment of eye cancer. (3/23)
- Prayers for the niece of Carol and Philip Chaffee, Lorna Richmond, who lost her husband Jeff suddenly last Sunday. (3/23)
- Prayers of healing for Laurie Scott, who had a procedure due to complications after a cardiac stent. (3/16)
- Prayers of healing and strength for the family of Anne Malmquist's friend and colleague, Tim Conway. His Dad has been in and out of the ICU with a random series of health issues. (3/16)
- Prayers for Gloria Weinrebe's niece, Linda, following the removal of a lobe of her lung that was cancerous. (3/16)
- Prayers for beloved Luanne, to rest in heavenly peace with her loved ones. (3/16)
- Prayers for Dominic & Vincent Santarcangelo's grandfather who is undergoing heart surgery next week. (3/9)
- Please pray for courage for the Glass' niece Jennifer of ME who is now in a live-in program in McLean Hospital (Belmont, MA) to treat her anxiety. (3/6)
- Continued prayers are needed for Doug Anderson's grandson James age 10, who has missed school for 2 1/2 years in his battle against neuroblastoma. (3/6)
- Continued prayers for Beth, sister to Gail Wright and Lynn Pietras, as she continues her recovery and anticipates surgery on April 7th. (3/2)
- Patrick Donahue asks for healing prayers for Ernest Taylor. (3/2)
- Darlene Brown was discharged from Dana Farber! (2/23)
- Prayers for Liz, Mark Sorgman's stepmom, who is housebound. (2/23)
- Prayers for Jamison who broke his shoulder. (2/23)
- Prayers for Jostin Burgos, a teen who is missing in Methuen. (2/23)
- Bill and Donna O'Neil ask for prayers of healing and comfort for their friend, Shawn King who is undergoing radiation and chemotherapy for newly diagnosed advanced cancer at age 45. (2/18)
- Prayers for the LGBTQ+ community. (2/9)

• Prayers for Jack McMillian and his family as he is in hospice. He is the father-in-law of Sheri Turner's friend Sheri also asks for prayers for her mother-in-law Anne Turner who is going through health issues. (1/26)

• Gloria Weinrebe asks for prayers for Joanna with her double lung transplant. Prayers also for Doris Canpbel, who was visiting Joanna and had a stroke at the hospital. The hospital staff saved her life with their quick response. (1/19)

• Karissa Marquis asks for prayers for her grandfather, who has been sent home on hospice and has stopped cancer treatment. (1/19)

- Prayers for Janice Dovner who is at Life Care in West Bridgewater. (1/17)
- 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 prayers for himself, for the strength to overcome the pain in his back, and find a permanent resolution. (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)
- Updated 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 Barbara, as she has ongoing tests at Beth Israel. (11/24)
- 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 Anita Mills, to learn how to live with severe chronic pain. (9/15)
- Prayers for Cheryl Cardillo, who is healing from surgery & 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!