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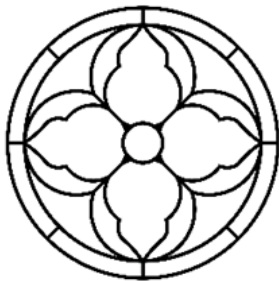
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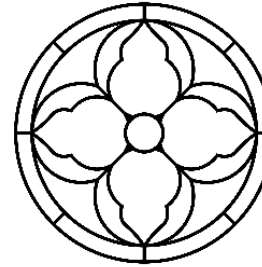
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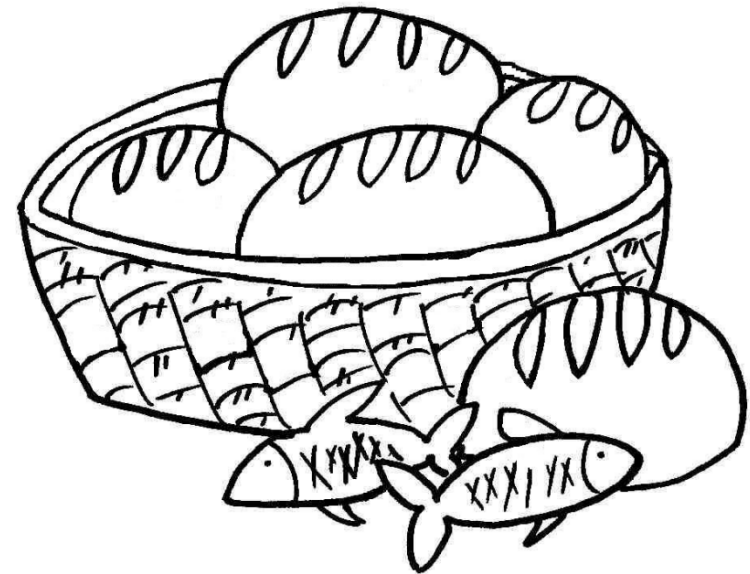


## **Central Square Congregational Church, United Church of Christ**

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, May 11, 2025**

10:00AM

*Guest Preacher: Rev. Fred Meade*

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

\* Denotes please rise in body and/or spirit.

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**Prelude:** "Nettleton" David Nevue

## Welcome & Announcements

### Invitation to Fellowship:

*If you are new or visiting, please include your address, phone number, and e-mail when you sign the fellowship pad so that we may properly welcome you to our church.*

**Introit:** "You Formed Us in Your Image, Lord"

### \*Responsive Call to Worship

One: We have gathered in that grace to worship God.

**All: Rejoice in God and give thanks to God's holy name.  
Let all heaven and earth behold God's glory.**

One: God is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.  
All creation is subject to God's rule and reign.

**All: We bring our prayers and praise to God most high.  
We lift our voices in hymns of celebration.**

One: Come, all who hunger, all who thirst;  
Be nourished and renewed in this time of worship.

**All: We bring joys and sorrows, fullness and needs.  
We come with successes and failures; we come seeking.**

### \*Unison Prayer of Invocation

We come seeking a presence that shakes foundations and helps us build new ones. We come with all our wounds, asking for healing. We come, remembering our baptism and wanting to claim the difference that makes in our lives. We come through the shadowy clouds of our unbelief, seeking the brightness of your glory, O God, we want a faith to sustain us through times of trial and testing. Be powerfully present with us, gracious spirit. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn #427:** "God Made From One Blood"

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 14:13-21 pg.796

**Anthem:** "The Hand of God Shall Hold You" M. Haugen

**Sermon:** "On Compassion" Rev. Fred Meade

**\*Hymn #467:** "Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth"

## Prayers

### Celebrations, Concerns, & Prayer Requests

### 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 sin 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.

## A Time for Giving

### Invitation to Share

**Offertory:** "Liebestraum" Franz Liszt (performed by Bob Richards)

### \*Gloria Patri

*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.*

### \*Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

With joy and gladness we dedicate our gifts to the service of Jesus Christ. May the abused find solace and courage; abusers be led to new awareness, sensitivity, and change; prisoners know release from bondage; and all humankind be led to accept the saving grace of Jesus Christ. To this end, we offer ourselves with these gifts. Use us as ambassadors of your love. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn #461:** "Let Us Hope When Hope Seems Hopeless"

## Benediction

**Postlude:** "Teach Me, O Lord" Richard Kingsmore

## 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 member of the Care Team, or a Deacon.

#### Care Team

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## What's Happening at CSCC This Week

### Sunday, May 11

Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am

(Sanctuary)

Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:20am

(Sanctuary)

Worship 10am

(Sanctuary and Online)

### Wednesday, May 14

Thrift Shop 10am-1pm

(Fellowship Hall)

Staff Meeting 10am

(Fireplace Room)

### Thursday, May 15

Food Pantry 10am-1pm

(Church Street)

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

(Office)

STEEPLE SOUNDS SUBMISSIONS DUE

### Saturday, May 17

Book Study 9:30am

(Fireplace Room)

Thrift Shop 10am-1pm

(Fellowship Hall)

### Sunday, May 18

Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am

(Sanctuary)

Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:20am

(Sanctuary)

Worship 10am

(Sanctuary)

Kids Church 10:15am

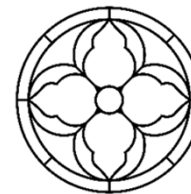
(Kids Church)

Congregational Meeting 11am

(Sanctuary)

Potluck Lunch 11:30am

(Fellowship Hall)



# Mustard Seeds Prayer List

## Prayer List of the People For the week of May 11, 2025

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

- Donna & Bill O'Neil ask for prayers of healing and comfort for their friend, Shawn King who is undergoing treatment for cancer. Latest scans show good response. (5/6)
- Evelyn asks for prayers for her Papa's back to feel better. (5/4)
- Liam O'Connell asks for prayers for a classmate's family. The classmate has recently passed away due to cancer. (4/13)
- Savannah Wells asks for prayers for her friend who has been diagnosed with and is receiving treatment for bone cancer in her knee. (4/13)
- Mary Barnsley asks for continued prayers for her sister-in-law Maryann with memory issues. She needs strength and courage to accept this. (4/13)
- Prayers for friends of Terry Reynolds, Tom and Maureen, and their son. Tom is recovering from triple bypass surgery with complications, and Maureen is battling lung cancer. Their son has also lost his job. (4/6)
- Prayers for discernment and courage for college students who are grappling with what it means to be Christians. (4/6)
- Amanda Napior asks for prayers for a local group of Christian college students with whom she works find the love, wisdom, and courage to answer their community's call to more radical inclusion. (4/6)
- Prayers for a friend's husband and his grandmother; both are coping with the sudden loss of her father-in-law. (4/6)
- Prayers of gratitude for all who showed up for the "hands off" protest on 4/5. (4/6)
- Prayers for Sally Burke. (4/6)
- Sheri Turner asks for prayers for a quick recovery from surgery for her friend Anna Jaworski, who has a broken wrist and is a writer. (4/3)
- Continued prayers for the Glass' niece Jennifer, who still struggles with extreme anxiety, but was finally able to go home after 5 weeks in McLean Hospital. (4/6)
- Bill O'Neil asks for prayers for the Basler family, on the death of Rob's father. (3/23)
- Prayers for recovery of friend Al as he goes through treatment of eye cancer. (3/23)
- Prayers of healing for Laurie Scott, who had a procedure due to complications after a cardiac stent, and a second procedure which resulted in some heart damage. (3/16)
- Prayers of healing and strength for the family of Anne Malmquist's friend and colleague, Tim Conway. His Dad has been in the ICU with a series of health issues. (3/16)
- Prayers for Gloria Weinrebe's niece, Linda, who had a cancerous lobe removed. (3/16)
- Prayers for beloved Luanne, to rest in heavenly peace with her loved ones. (3/16)
- Prayers for Dominic & Vinny Santarcangelo's grandfather who is recovering from heart surgery. (3/9)
- 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 of healing for Beth, sister to Gail Wright and Lynn Pietras. (4/13)
- Prayers for Liz, Mark Sorgman's stepmom, who is housebound. (2/23)

- Prayers for Jamison who broke his shoulder. (2/23)
- 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)
- Prayers for Janice Dovner who is at Life Care in West Bridgewater. (1/17)
- Anne Malmquist requests prayers of healing for her Dad. (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, who is dealing with 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 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.

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

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**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!