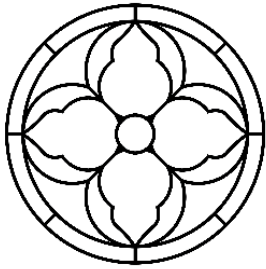
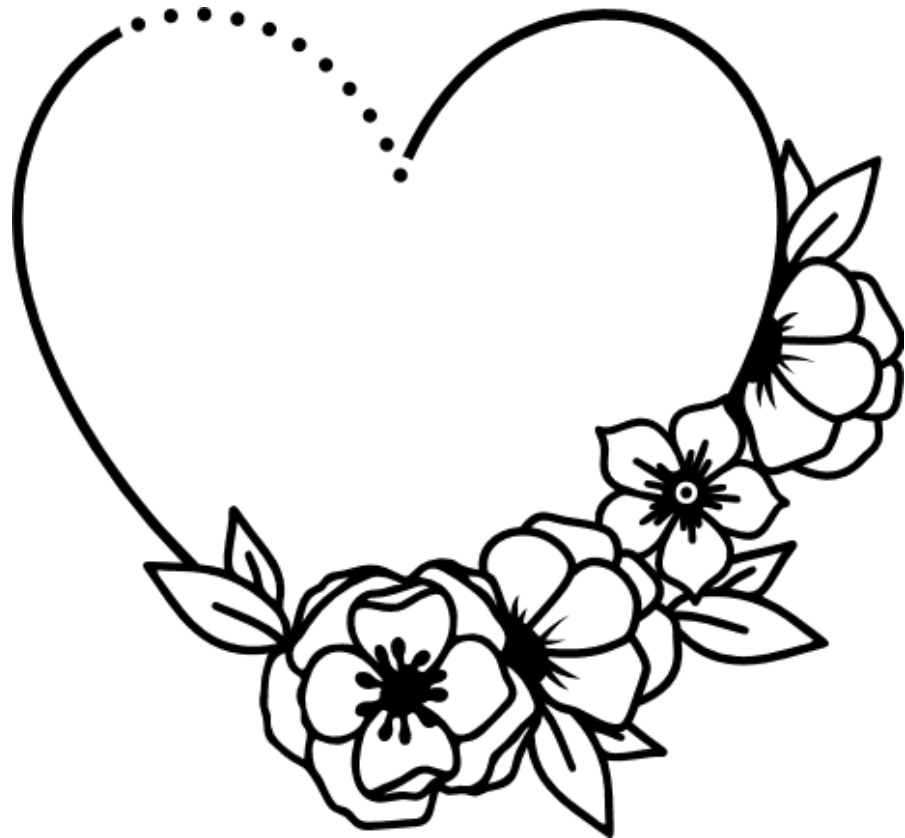


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71 Central Square, Bridgewater, MA 02324



*"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 3, 2026

10:00AM

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: *"Thine is the Glory"* Gordon Young

Welcome, Announcements, & Invitation to Fellowship

OPENING OUR HEARTS

Introit: *"A New Commandment"* William Loperema

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 31)

One: In You, Holy One, we seek sanctuary. In you, we seek refuge.

Many: Holy One, for your name's sake lead us and guide us.

One: You are indeed our rock and our fortress. Our lives are in your hands. Strengthen us in your righteousness.

Many: Holy One, for your name's sake lead us and guide us.

One: Shine upon us this day as we worship you. Saturate us with your steadfast love..

Many: Holy One, for your name's sake lead us and guide us.

Opening Prayer

Holy and Living God, we gather in worship as witnesses of the world. Inspire us to declare your goodness, to follow in your way, and to do the work of your hands, voice, and heart. Renew our spirits as we worship you. Fill us with your Spirit that we collectively proclaim ourselves as your people, called to the fullness of your glorious and radiant being. Amen..

Opening Hymn #72: *"Here, O God, Your Servants Gather"*

Prayer for Transformation

Moment for Silent Confession

Words of Grace

Gloria Patri

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end, Amen. Amen.

EXPLORING THE WORD

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-4 pg.877

Epistle Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10 pg.984

Anthem: *"Love Has Come"* Matt Maher

Sermon: *"Dwelling Places"* Rev. Beth Stotts

Hymn #493: *"Jesus, I Have Promised"*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrations, Concerns, & Prayer Requests

Moment for Meditation, Reflection, and Quiet Prayer

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

Creator God, who is in heaven, Holy is Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response Hymn #283: "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory: *"Open My Eyes"* John Sarta

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.

Prayer of Dedication

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Communion Hymn #339: "Truth Whom We Adore"

Invitation

Words of Institution and Prayer of Consecration

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

(The communion elements are gluten-free and non-alcoholic.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LIVING WITH THE WORD

Closing Hymn #608: "Christ Will Come Again"

Benediction

Postlude: "In My Father's House" Elvis Presley

What's Happening at CSCC This Week

Sunday, May 3

Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am (Sanctuary)
Church office open 9am-1pm (Office)
Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:40am (Sanctuary)
Worship w/Communion 10am (Sanctuary & Online)
Kids Church (Kids Church Room)

Monday, May 4

Food Pantry 10am-1pm (Church Street)

Tuesday, May 5

Church office open 9am-1pm (Office)

Wednesday, May 6

Thrift Shop 10am-2pm (Fellowship Hall)
Women's Guild Banquet 5pm (Loon Pond Lodge)

Thursday, May 7

Church office open 9am-1pm (Office)
Food Pantry 10am-1pm (Church Street)

Friday, May 8

Church office open 9am-1pm (Office)

Saturday, May 9

Thrift Shop 10am-2pm (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, May 10

Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am (Sanctuary)
Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:40am (Sanctuary)
Worship 10am (Sanctuary & Online)
Kids Church (Kids Church Room)

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

**An Open
and Affirming
Congregation**



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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Mustard Seeds Prayer List

Prayer List of the People For the week of May 3, 2026

*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 Kurt Walker. Kurt grew up in our church. Prayers for his mom, Carol Daiker Howe as well, and requests for cards and visits for her. (4/19)
- Prayers for Barbara Montero, friend of Patrick Donahue, who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. (4/19)
- Carol Chaffee celebrates the amazing young people of our congregation, and asks for prayers for them on their Christian journey. (4/19)
- Erik & Natalie Muurisepp ask for prayers for continued recovery for Gloria as she continues on the path of her brain tumor, prayers for her doctors as well. (4/19)
- Prayers for Mary Barnsley's family, especially her sister Peggy who lost her husband Charlie unexpectedly today. (4/12)
- Elyse Racicot asks for prayers of peace for her dad, Beau who is living with dementia, and for herself, for her to have peace in her mind and body due to the pain and anxieties she lives with. She also asks for prayers for all the families who have lost a loved one to addiction, and for Nick Destiny and Drew who they lost to this disease. (4/5)
- Mary Barnsley asks for prayers for Heather and Mitch as they continue to mourn their daughter who passed away last year. (3/29)
- John Sharland asks for prayers for our veterans, especially those MIA's of Vietnam, and shared that our local Veterans memorial has been restored and is being rededicated today. (3/29)
- Diana Francis asks for prayers for her Dad who is navigating some abnormal test results and further tests to see what exactly is happening. (3/29)
- Sara Terpeny asks for prayers for her family on the passing of her father, Steve Moss, and thanks that she and her sisters were able to be with him during his last days in hospice. (3/22)

- Continued prayers for the kids of our church and all the kids around the world, may they find peace, kindness and love, always. (3/15)
 - Deb Sorgman asks for prayers for the people of Maui and Hawaii as a whole with everything they have been going through there. (3/15)
 - Kay Wheeler asks for prayers for her friend Pat who is dealing with returning health issues. (3/8)
 - Heather Ciaramitaro asks for prayers for Frank as he navigates new MS challenges. (2/22)
 - Tallinn Muurisepp asks for prayers for his Meme's mom and brother, as well as his Pepe's brother, who is going through a hard time. (2/22)
 - Brianna and Liam O'Connell ask for prayers for Brianna's parents Shantia and Jonathan, and cousin Nette as they navigate two Alzheimer's diagnoses and other health concerns. (2/8)
 - Prayers for Katrina Judge, her father and her family as they navigate the devastating news that his cancer has metastasized. (2/8)
 - Carol Chaffee asks for prayers for a dear friend's sister who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's. (2/1)
 - Nina Gabel's colleague Mayra Mises is on indefinite medical leave. Prayers for her and her family. (2/1)
 - Stephanie Holmgren asks for prayers for her father-in-law Richard, who was diagnosed with colon cancer. (11/9)
 - Prayers for Ashley Earp's sister going through breast cancer. (10/26)
 - Mary Barnsley asks for prayers for her sister-in-law Maryann with memory issues. (9/18)
 - Donna & Bill O'Neil ask for continued prayers of healing and comfort for their friend, Shaun King who had colon surgery successfully while his chemo was suspended for healing. Prayers are appreciated & working for him! He awaits more updates of scans and restarting his chemo. Thank you for praying for him! (8/26)
- Continued prayers for all veterans and those serving on active duty.***

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!