# 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, November 15, 2026

## 10:00AM

**Prelude:** *"Prelude in B Flat Major"* JS Bach

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Invitation to Fellowship**

**Introit:** *"Clap Your Hands"* Handt Hanson

**Call to Worship**

One: God has entrusted each of us with gifts, possibilities, and purpose.
**All: We are sometimes confident, sometimes uncertain, and sometimes afraid.**
One: God does not ask us to be someone else or to have someone else's gifts.
**All: God invites us to use what we have been given.**
One: We do not need to have all the answers or know exactly where the road leads.
**All: We only need the courage to take the next faithful step.**
One: Come, let us worship the God who calls us beyond our fears and into lives of love.
**All: Let us worship God with open hearts and faith for the journey ahead!**

**Opening Prayer**

Gracious and loving God, we come into your presence carrying all that makes us who we are. We bring our hopes and dreams, our gifts and abilities, our questions and uncertainties, and even our fears. Through our worship today, open our hearts to the possibilities you place before us. Help us recognize the gifts we have been given, not as things to keep for ourselves, but as opportunities to share your love with the world. May this time of worship give us courage, renew our hope, and remind us that we are never alone in the work you call us to do. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Opening Hymn #584:** *"I Am the Light of the World"*

**Moment For All Ages**

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 25:14-30 Pg.807

**Anthem:** *"We Stand Humbly in God's Grace"* J Aamodt

**Sermon:** *"Matthew 25: Part 2"*

**Hymn #538:** *"Standing At the Future's Threshold"*

**Prayers of the People**

**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**

**Prayers of the People**

**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 #521 (vs. 1-2):** *"In Solitude"*

**Offering Our Gifts**

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory:** *"Take My Life and Let It Be"* David Nevue

**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**

**Closing Hymn #562:** *"Take My Gifts"*

**Benediction:**

**Postlude:** *"Clap Yo' Hands"* George Gershwin

# What's Happening at CSCC This Week

**Sunday, November 15**

**Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am** *(Sanctuary)*

**Church Office open 9am-1pm** *(Office)*
**Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:40am** *(Sanctuary)*
**Worship 10am** *(Sanctuary & Online)*
**Kids Church 10:10am** *(Kids Church Room)*
**Potluck Lunch 11am** *(Fellowship Hall)*
**Spir. Engmt Team 11:15am** *(Fellowship Hall)*

**Monday, November 16**

**Magical Event meeting 6pm** *(Fireplace Room)*

**Tuesday, November 17**

**Church Office open 9am-1pm** *(Office)*

**Wednesday, November 18**

**Church Office open 9am-1pm** *(Office)*
**Plymouth Assoc Clergy 9:30am** *(Fireplace Room)*
**Thrift Shop open 10am-2pm** *(Fellowship Hall)*
**Cabinet Meeting 7pm** *(Fellowship Hall)*

**Thursday, November 19**

**Food Pantry 10am-1pm** *(Church Street)*

**Friday, November 20**

**Church Office open 9am-1pm** *(Office)*
**CSCC Staff Meeting 10am** *(Fireplace Room)*

**Saturday, November 21**

**Thrift Shop open 10am-2pm** *(Fellowship Hall)*
**Food Pantry Sorting Event 3pm** *(Fellowship Hall)*

**Sunday, November 22**

**Sr. Choir Rehearsal 8:30am** *(Sanctuary)*
**Church Office open 9am-1pm** *(Office)*
**Jr. Choir Rehearsal 9:40am** *(Sanctuary)*
**Worship 10am** *(Sanctuary & Online)*
**Kids Church 10:10am** *(Kids Church Room)*
**Hanging of the Greens 11am** *(Sanctuary)*

## 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!*

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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.

## Pastor

**Rev. Beth Stotts – csccpastor@hotmail.com**

## Deacons

**Deb Sorgman – debsorgman@gmail.com**
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**Liam O'Connell, Jr. Deacon**
**Tallinn Muurisepp, Jr. Deacon**

## Care Team

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# Church Staff and Officers

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| Pastor: | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts |
| Minister of Music: | Julia Scott Carey |
| Director of Video Evangelism: | Paul Holmes |
| Office Manager: | Jennifer Foronjy |
| Sexton: | Rich Sullivan |
| Kids Church Director: | Eric Stotts |
| Moderator: | Anne Malmquist |
| Communications: | Diane Sheibley |
| Treasurer: | David Sheibley |
| Financial Secretary: | Vacant |

# To contact the Church Office:

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Phone: 508-697-6016

If you would like to make an appointment with Rev. Beth, please email her at csccpastor@hotmail.com.

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## Mustard Seeds Prayer List

**Prayer List of the People For the week of November 15, 2026**

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

• Asking for prayers for Mia Preiser's co-worker who recently lost her adoptive mother. (11/8)
• Asking for prayers for Addi Pryor, who is a local teen with a reoccurring osteosarcoma who is facing a leg amputation. (10/28)
• Diana Francis asks for prayers for her best friend Meredith's father who suffered a stroke recently, and the family is determining how to meet his needs. Additionally, she thanks everyone for the prayers for her dad who is doing better now. (10/20)
• Continued prayers for John & Karen, friends of the Sheibleys, whose son and partner are facing a very serious medical situation for their newborn. (10/19)
• Prayers for our friend Bob Richards who is going through some health issues. (10/13)
• Deb Moore asks for prayers for a friend and her husband as he struggles with multiple health issues. (9/28)
• Asking for prayers for Michelle and her children Brayden and Rowan. (8/30)
• Asking for prayers Meghan Damon's family member struggling with health issues. (8/27)
• Asking for prayers for Jessica Mastin's dear friend Sheila and family (8/20)
• Terry Reynolds asks for prayers for Cori, daughter of her longtime friend whose cancer has returned and she is not doing well. (7/26)
• Drew Sullivan is asking for prayers as he struggles to find the right career and become independent. (7/12)
• Katrina Judge asks for continued prayers for her father as his treatment continues. (6/14)
• Prayers for Cheryl whose Parkinson's is progressing. (5/14)
• 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)
• 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)
• Nina Gabel's colleague Mayra Mieses 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)
***Continued prayers for all veterans and those serving in active duty.***

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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!

