

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Récit de Cromhorne

François Couperin (1668-1733)

Welcome

Rev. Judith Arnold

A Moment of Silence

Prelude

Leoni

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

The Call to Worship (adapted from Reinhold Niebuhr)

Ben Pulaski

One: Nothing worth doing is completed in our lifetime;

All: Therefore we must be saved by hope.

One: Nothing true or beautiful makes complete sense in any immediate context of history;

All: Therefore we must be saved by faith.

One: Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone;

All: Therefore, we are saved by love. Let us worship God.

*Processional Hymn

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Old Hundredth)

NCH #7

Gathering Prayer (by Morris Maddocks)

Ben Pulaski

All: Lord, we offer you ourselves this day for the work you want accomplished, for the people you want us to meet, for the word you want to be uttered, for the silence you want to be kept, for the places you want us to enter, for the new ways you want pioneered. Go with us along the way, Lord, and enable us to realize your presence, at all times and in all places, our loving Savior Jesus Christ. Hear us as we pray as he taught us.

Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

*An Act of Praise

Gloria Patri

PH #513

Glory be to the Creator and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; World without end, amen, amen.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Judith Arnold

Anthem

Debbie Friedman/arr. Mary Feinsinger

Mi Shebeirach [2007]

Mi shebeirach avoteinu m'kor hab'racha l'imoteinu:

May the source of strength who blessed the ones before us

Help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing,

And let us say: Amen.

Bless those in need of healing with r'fuah sh'leimah,

The renewal of body, the renewal of spirit.

And let us say: Amen.

Scripture

Psalm 11

Response

The image shows musical notation for Psalm 11. It features a treble and bass clef with a 3/4 time signature. The melody is written in E-flat major. Above the staff, there are chord markings: E-flat Unison, Fm7, E-flat7/G, and A-flat. Below the staff, the lyrics are: "Great, great, great are the works of God." Above the staff, there is a note: "Antiphon: Marty Haugen, 1994".

Sung Refrain: Great, great, great are the works of God.

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the Lord is gracious and merciful.

Sung Refrain

He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

Sung Refrain

He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever.

Sung Refrain

2 Kings 5:1-17

OT p. 336, Large Print OT p. 311

Sermon

Rev. Judith Arnold

Offertory

Shabbat Shalom (1992)

Mary Jean van Appeldorn

*Doxology

NCH #780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,

Praise God above you heavenly host, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Recessional Hymn

There Is a Balm in Gilead

NCH #553

Benediction

Rev. Judith Arnold

Passing the Peace of Christ

(Please offer “peace” or “The peace of Christ” to your neighbor as you depart)

Postlude

Old Hundredth (vs. 4)

arr. Robert Lau

Meet Our Church

First Congregational Church in Winchester, UCC, An Open and Affirming Congregation

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www.fcc-winchester.org

We are a Christ-centered, nurturing community: growing in faith, serving in love, welcoming all with joy.

The Congregation, Ministers To The World

Rev. William Burhans, Lead Pastor

Rev. Ms. Judith B. Arnold, Associate Pastor

Ms. Kathleen Zagata, RN, MS, CS, Minister of Congregational Health & Wellness

Ms. Jane Ring Frank, Minister of Music & Worship Arts

Mr. Ben Pulaski, Minister of Faith Formation: Children & Youth

Mr. Jeffrey Mead, Organist

Mr. Bradley Ross, Sexton

Mr. Tyler Campbell, Assistant Sexton

Ms. Sarah Marino, Office Manager

The Rev. Dr. Kenneth Orth, Pastoral Counselor (Affiliate)

Welcome!

We are happy you have joined us today for worship. We hope that in the coming hour of quiet, song, prayer, sacred scripture, and communal gathering, you will awaken more fully to God's presence in your life and the world around us.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located down the stairs as you first enter the front doors of the church.

Accessibility

Listening devices are available in the back of the sanctuary for the hearing impaired. An after-worship coffee hour is held in Chidley Hall on the bottom floor of the church building. An elevator is located out the doors to the right of the front chancel area and down the hall. Please ask a greeter if you need assistance.

Childcare

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary! We appreciate the sounds of little ones among us. If you'd prefer, there is a professionally staffed nursery on the floor beneath the sanctuary. Ask a greeter if you need help finding it.

Family Room

There is also a comfortable room with sofas, chairs, carpet and an audio link to the service for when you need more room to attend to your family. It is located just outside the doors to the right of the front chancel area.

Children (Stepping Stones) and Youth Church School

Classes for children and youth in pre-k through 12th grade are taught during worship. Families begin the worship service together in the sanctuary. Children are then invited to join us at the front (if they are comfortable) for the Time for the Young. Afterwards, the children and youth are led to their classrooms by their teachers.

Get connected!

Please tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer by filling out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card found in each pew and place it in the offering plate when it passes. We look forward to getting to know you at Coffee Hour, held downstairs immediately following the service. You can also learn more about our community through our website and Facebook page:

www.fcc-winchester.org

[facebook.com/fccwucc](https://www.facebook.com/fccwucc)

Text FCCW to 22828 to join our email list

October 9, 2016

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 Worship Service

People We are Praying for...

<u>Names</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Sherman Bull, Laura Bailey's father	Healing from bike accident
Kelliher Family	In their grief over the death of Leigh's mom, Betty
McCall Taylor Family	Healing and support for family illnesses
Michael Fahey, cousin of Deirdre Giblin	NY firefighter, died in the line of duty
The Collins Skinner Family	In their grief from the passing of Jody's sister, Robyn
Jen Gilhool	Comfort
Lucy Sanders	In her job search
Family & friends of Ann Miller	In their grief
Jessica Brand	For healing
Olivia	Healing from trauma
Bruce Lauterwasser	For healing
The family of Steve Moore	In their grief

Please let the Deacons or Ministry Team know if you have someone to add or remove from this list.

Today's Worship Service

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God, and in honor of our families by Rick Forzese and Julianne Zimmerman. The Narthex flowers are given in loving memory of John E. and Louise H. Allen by their family.

Special Note:

This morning, the Senior Choir is singing *Mi Shebeirach* in honor of the Jewish High Holy Days. The ten-day period beginning with Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) and ending with Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) is a sacred time, calling for meditation, reflection and repentance. The "Mi Shebeirach," a prayer of compassion and healing, represents hope and gratitude for those engaged in personal, physical and spiritual struggles. These comforting words are often spoken at the beginning of Yom Kippur services.

Second Wednesday Bible Study

Meets in the Health Ministry Office at 7:00 p.m. This month the second Wednesday is October 12. Each month's meeting stands on its own – so come when you can and don't when you can't. Along with learning about the Bible, there is space for doubt, challenge and interpretation. This month we will begin reading Paul's letter to the Galatians, where he addresses a church unclear about how to meld Jewish heritage with Christian belief. Come join us. We end promptly at 8:30.

Upcoming Events

The Dwelling Place needs volunteers for Saturday, October 15th!

We are looking for **4-6 volunteers** to prepare and serve a meal for about 25 people at the Dwelling Place on **Saturday, October 15th**. The Dwelling Place is a collaboration of area churches that prepares and serves meals at the United Methodist Church in Woburn for individuals and families in need. Our FCC is responsible for preparing and serving the meal on the third Saturday of each month.

Can you and your family or friends help?

- Volunteers can be adults and children.
- Serving time is only 2 hours -- from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- The food is simple and easy to prepare.

If you want to serve but are not sure you can prepare the food, we can help with that. To sign up, please contact your FCC Dwelling Place coordinators:

Lisa Loughlin (781.346.1241) lisa3abp@aol.com
Linda Alexander (617.763.0650) lgalexander@comcast.net

"Let's Talk About Faith" even if we're not sure we 'have it' and even if we're not all that comfortable talking about *it*. The Adult Faith Exploration Ministry is hosting a **3-part series on Faith**. Session 1: What is *it*? Session 2: How do you get *it*? Session 3: What do you do with *it*? The series will provide a space for us to explore, talk, reflect and learn.

Please join us as we ask these questions and explore many aspects of faith- faith experiences, faith journeys, faith stories, faith traditions and yes, doubt struggles, doubt journeys and doubt stories too.

The **3-part series begins on Sunday Oct. 23 and continues Oct. 30 and Nov. 6.**

All sessions are after Worship, from 11:30 AM-1 PM. Light, simple food and child care will be provided. All are welcome-No need to sign up, just come!

An invitation to the Leadership Team meeting! October 16th at 11:40 am in the Henry room.

The Leadership Team, the group that has strategic decision-making responsibility in our church, is having its October meeting on the 16th.

The first part of this meeting is open to all-comers - please feel invited. We always begin the meeting with an opening devotion and then an opportunity for anyone within our congregation, including representatives of sustaining and living ministries, to bring items to the Leadership Team for presentation or discussion. If there is something that you might like to discuss or present, please let me know.

Thank you.

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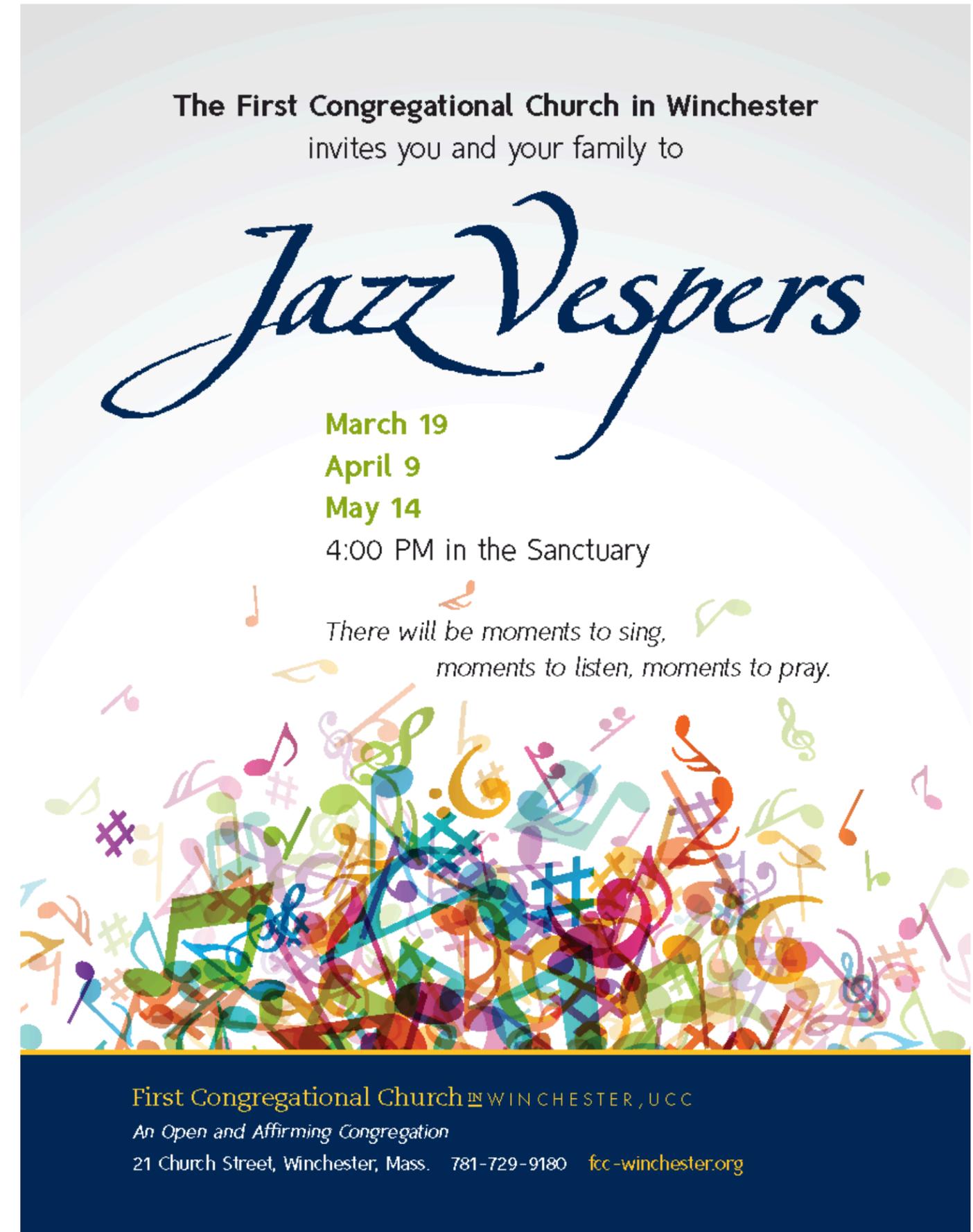
Have you noticed some changes to Sunday morning worship?

Here is some of our thinking about it:

1. New Bulletin – We’ve changed the size, style and design. Why the change?
 - a. The larger size allows for larger font and now we have one bulletin accessible to all.
 - b. The graphic design, based upon our logo, now ties in with the website, business cards, welcome cards, Facebook etc...
 - c. Now there is one insert page and not many multi-colored insert pages falling out into your lap and on the floor.
 - d. On the back of the bulletin there’s room now for an extended welcome to newcomers.
2. The Passing of the Peace - It’s now passed at the close of the service instead of the opening. Why the change?
 - a. We hope to encourage people to pass the peace of Christ to neighbor, friend and stranger as a final gesture of worship. Having worshipped and received God’s peace, we now offer it to one another.
 - b. The choir can better participate in the passing of the peace since they are often out among the pews at the end of the service.
 - c. Having shared common worship, the passing of the peace then becomes a more inclusive experience for newcomers.
3. The Anthem stands alone – Instead of being sung during the passing of the offering plates. Why the change?
 - a. We want to encourage the congregation to open themselves to God’s presence during the choir’s anthem instead of engaging in the activity of the offering.
 - b. This opens up the Offertory time for special music. Various musical offerings from congregation members and guests will happen here.
4. Welcome time is shortened/Announcements limited – The presiding minister welcomes people, offers a few orienting announcements and then moves us directly into the time of silence.
 - a. This allows us to enter into God’s presence more reflectively.
 - b. The announcements are often a reiteration of what’s already written in the insert.
 - c. We are working to contain the length of our service.

Our intent for these changes is to deepen and enhance your worship experience. We welcome your feedback as we live into them this fall.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Will Burhans and The Ministry Team



The First Congregational Church in Winchester
invites you and your family to

Jazz Vespers

March 19
April 9
May 14
4:00 PM in the Sanctuary

*There will be moments to sing,
moments to listen, moments to pray.*

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