

# Order of Worship

## Gathering Music

*Was Gott tut das ist wohlgetan*

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

## Welcome

Rev. Will Burhans

## A Time of Silence

## Prelude

*Andante Cantabile*

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

## The Call to Worship

Ben Pulaski

One: We break the morning's silence with words to speak of the Divine, the Holy One, the Creator, Father-Mother of all that is.

**All: We lift our voices in song for the Son, the Prince of Peace, the Great Physician, the Redeemer of all that is.**

One: We gather into community through the Connecting Spirit, Lady Wisdom, Ruah and Sophia, the Unifier of all that is.

**All: Father, Son, Holy Ghost; Mother, Daughter, Holy Spirit; Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer; all these our images for you and yet none can contain you.**

One: Awaken us to your mysterious presence, in this hour O God, and to the truth that we dwell within you even as you dwell within us.

**All: "Come thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing..."**

## \*Processional Hymn

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

Pilgrim Hymnal #246

## \*Gathering Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Judy Arnold

**Undisturbed by the many voices and the many tasks that tend to distract us, we draw near to You, O God. We realize that it is not You who withdraws from us but it is we who separate ourselves from You. Let us hear again the strains of that covenant that you have made with us through Jesus Christ, that having been generously forgiven and received by You, we might be generous in our dealings with one another: offering each other the benefit of the doubt, not speaking words about anyone that we would not share directly with them; owning our own fears and failings instead of pointing out the failings of others, first looking to how we must change rather than how others should change. Hear our prayer in the words of Jesus as we seek to live out your love for the sake of a world in need:**

**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.**

## Testimony

Jody Collins Skinner

## Sacrament of Baptism

Natalie Hannah Beltz, daughter of Rebecca & Andrew Beltz

## \*Hymn

*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

New Century Hymnal #325

## Scripture

Matt 5:3-16

Liturgist: Ben Pulaski  
NT pg. 4, LP pg. 4

## Reflections on The Youth Mission Trip

Thomas Dodge, Kyle Roche, Hale Tresselt

## Quiet Time for Reflection

## Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Will Burhans

## Offertory

Anthem *More Love*

Rev. Judy Arnold  
Based on a Shaker Hymn/Setting by Sid Davis, 1987

The heavens are blessing, the angels are calling, O Zion, more love.

If ye love not each other in daily communion,

how can ye love God, whom ye have not seen?

More love. The heavens are blessing...more love!

## \*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.**

## \*Closing Hymn

*Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'*

New Century Hymnal #526

## Benediction

Rev. Judy Arnold

## Passing the Peace of Christ

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

## Postlude

*Voluntary*

John Stanley (1712-86)

# Today's Worship Service

## Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my mother and father and my sisters Barbara Hall and Betty Smith, by Priscilla Saltmarsh. The narthex flowers are in memory of Helen and David McKnight.

## Meet Our Church

**First Congregational Church in Winchester, UCC, An Open and Affirming Congregation**  
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*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. 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  
Ms. Sarah Marino, Office Manager  
Mr. Tyler Campbell, Sexton  
Mr. William Lewis, Custodian  
Mr. Jeffrey Mead, Organist  
Rev. Dr. Kenneth Orth, Pastoral Counselor (Affiliate)

**April 29, 2018**

Fifth Sunday of Easter  
10:00 Worship Service

## 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

We now have an inductive hearing loop for those whose hearing aids have Telecoil (ask your audiologist). Listening devices are also available in the back. For our coffee hour in Chidley Hall, 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 are trained caregivers in our a 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 water, sofas, chairs, carpet and a video 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.

*People for Whom We Are Praying ...*

Michael Cantella, Regina Campbell's father The Troisi Family	Healing from heart valve surgery In their grief at the loss of Marcie's brother and Nick's father
Diane Lisa and Justin Loughlin	For her surgery for cancer and her recovery In their grief
Cheryl Paradise, a Dwelling Place guest Lucy Sanders	As her life draws to a close Continued healing & direction for Arthur & my future
Martha George Jessica Brand	For courage and healing For healing

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

## News & Upcoming Events

### NCIS: New-Comers Information Sessions TODAY

If you'd like to learn more about the First Congregational Church in Winchester, UCC, or are interested in becoming a member, please join us for one of our informal sharing and informational sessions in Rev. Will's office, immediately following worship. Children are welcome to come and/or childcare will be provided. Please contact Rev. Will or let Sarah in the office know at if you are interested. The gathering will last about 45 minutes. Please join us!

### Mission Trip

A huge thanks for the love, support, and prayers for the youth during their trip to Philadelphia. I encourage you to connect for a moment or two with any of them to hear about their experience personally. Here are the youth that gave up their vacation week to serve others:

Kyle Roche	Ethan Kendall
Kailey Lane	Justin Laughlin
Whitney Bohne	Carlina Fernando-McKinley
Hale Tresselt	Sophie Ehrbar
Steven Rozmanith	Jackson Tresselt
Sarah Campbell	Thomas Dodge
Julia Snider	Mabel Carpini

A shout out to the following adults who accompanied the youth: Susan Rozmanith, Jodie Mullane, Andy McKinley, and Dave Weir.

### Parents Night Out

**May 4th 5pm-9pm**

**Donations will help to cover the costs of the mission trips.**

Have you dreamt of spending an evening with your spouse to go out to a nice fancy meal? Or perhaps you just want to go shopping without your favorite little people tagging along? Or what about an evening to relax at your house without having to keep your offspring entertained! Well, here is your chance! Drop your children off anytime between 5pm-9pm and the youth will keep them busy. We will have fun activities and food for them. Infants through 5th grade children are welcome. We are offering this as a fundraiser for our mission trips. To sign up or for more information email [ben.pulaski@gmail.com](mailto:ben.pulaski@gmail.com)

### Help Needed! Two Night Owls

**June 23rd 8pm-June 24th 230am**

On June 24th, 13 youth and 3 adults are heading out to Ghost Ranch in New Mexico to dive deeper into their relationship with God. The youth are heading to the airport at 230am and because of that we are going to have them sleep at the church. We need 2 adults who would be willing to stay at the church until 2: 0am with the youth. We need one male and one female. Email [ben.pulaski@gmail.com](mailto:ben.pulaski@gmail.com) if interested.

### Spring Flower Sale for RIM Metro North Cluster

Now that it's finally spring, get into the spirit by ordering flowering plants from the RIM Metro North Cluster. Profits support our cluster's clients, who are in the process of seeking asylum. There are order sheets on the table in the reception area and at the back of the Sanctuary. Flowers are provided by E. Cressey and Son, a wholesale grower in Rowley, MA.

- Make checks payable to **RIM Metro North Cluster**
- Submit your order no later than **Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup>**. (Pick up plants on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.)
- Questions: Contact Linda Alexander [lgalexander@comcast.net](mailto:lgalexander@comcast.net) 617.763.0650

### 178th Annual Meeting of the First Congregational Church in Winchester: Sunday, May 6th 11:30-1:30

#### Update:

Plans are being made for the 178th Annual Meeting. This year we are challenging ourselves to "self cater" the Luncheon and hope you'll join in the fun!! Volunteers are needed to help set up Chidley, food shop, toss salad, and clean up. Please email Marsha Lamson ([marshalamson@gmail.com](mailto:marshalamson@gmail.com)) if you can pitch in.

Save the date for the church's annual meeting. This year it will be on Sunday May 6th, immediately after worship in Chidley Hall. Lunch for everyone and activities for the children will be provided.

The Annual Meeting is for everyone - we make important decisions for our congregation, look back at the events and achievements of the past year and look forward to the future. There will be slides highlighting the work of our ministries and our life together. Non-members are warmly invited to participate in the whole meeting, though we will ask that you not vote.

If you have any items that you would like to suggest for the agenda, please contact Penny Sparrow ([pjsparrow2@gmail.com](mailto:pjsparrow2@gmail.com)) Moderator as soon as you can.

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