

Words for meditation and preparation:

"Ordinary riches can be stolen, real riches cannot."- Oscar Wilde

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Iona Community)

Thanks be to you, O God, that we have risen this day.

TO THE RISING OF THIS LIFE ITSELF

Be the purpose of God between us and each purpose.

THE HAND OF GOD BETWEEN US AND EACH HAND.

The pain of Christ between us and each pain,

THE LOVE OF CHRIST BETWEEN US AND EACH LOVE

O God, who brought us to the bright light of this new day

BRING US TO THE GUIDING LIGHT OF ETERNITY.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Black-covered New Century Hymnal 25

(A paraphrase of today's psalm, Psalm 90)

*GATHERING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Our Savior Jesus,
it is through you that we come to God.
Do not let us be drawn away from you
by the glitter of wealth
or the burdens of daily concerns,
but make us ready to leave everything
and boldly follow you.
For you live and reign
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Hear us as we pray the prayer you taught us,

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

(Please use words that are most meaningful to you)

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.

*OFFER ONE ANOTHER A SIGN OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Ben

*HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

Red-covered Pilgrim Hymnal 391

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERINGS

Rev. Will

Offertory Anthem

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Psalm 100

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness

And come before His presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord He is God:

It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves;

We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving,

And into His courts with praise.

Be thankful unto Him, and speak good of His Name.

For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting,

And His truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be 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.

*Doxology

(Please use words that are most meaningful to you)

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.

*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Will

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good

news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

SERMON Rev. Judith Arnold

SERVICE OF PRAYER (Morning Prayers, silent and spoken) Rev. Will
Sung Response: In the name of the Prince of Peace, God hear our prayer.

*RECESSIONAL HYMN *Seek Ye First* (see insert)

*COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION (remain standing please) Rev. Judy

POSTLUDE

PH indicates Pilgrim Hymnal (red) NCH indicates New Century Hymnal (black)
*Those who are able please stand
Head-sets for the hearing impaired & Large Print Bulletins
are available from the deacons
We encourage you to use Name Tags available in the vestibule.

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. Narthex flowers are in loving memory of John E. and Louise H. Allen, by their families.

SECOND WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Meets in the Health Ministry Office at 7:00 p.m. This month the second Wednesday is October 14. 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 continue to look at the book of Exodus and try to understand why the Bible includes such detailed directions about how to build the temple, along with other instructions. Maybe we’ll try to follow them – build a miniature temple – probably not. Come join us and see. Don’t bring your tools, yet. We end promptly at 8:30.

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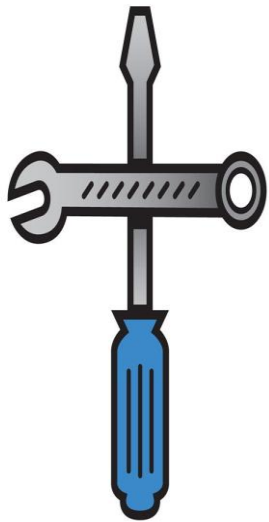
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October 11, 2015

A 10TH YEAR RETROSPECTIVE LOOK: Faith and Resilience Post Katrina
Tuesday, October 27th 2015 – 7PM to 9 PM in the Palmer Room: Three groups of FCC members traveled to New Orleans and the surrounding areas post Katrina to participate in faith based recovery projects. In August, I attended a conference in New Orleans that spoke to the accumulative effects of these projects. On 10/27, join fellow church mission companions who participated in the recovery efforts for a look back at the lessons learned. The circle welcomes members with personal stories and those who supported family and friends. The event is open to members of the wider community who wish to give witness. Please bring a memory and/or photo to share. RSVP/Questions: Kathleen Zagata, 781 729-9180 ext 106 or Kathleenzag@gmail.com



THE DEACONS ARE SPONSORING A NEW THEMED MEDITATION/PRAYER SERIES titled, "Our Christian Toolkit: Learning Christian Spiritual Practices We Can Use Throughout Our Lives." The sessions will be designed and led by the Rev. Dr. Ken Orth, who has led our congregation in deep spiritual work for many years. There will be a guidebook for each session, consisting of prayers, structured meditations, poems, and suggested practices, so that participants may practice at home or form ongoing small groups. The first session, Gratitude and Forgiveness was on Sunday, September 20. Watch for news about follow-up to this exciting and very meaningful session. The second session, Mourning and Loss, will be held on Sunday, October 18, from 11:30-1 in the Palmer Room. Healthy snacks and childcare provided. Come join us!

FOR THE JUST PEACE OFFERING this year the Outreach Commission has chosen to support the UCC work with the Syrian refugee crisis. The United Church of Christ through its partnerships has been working to provide support and refuge to those in need. The UCC is providing emergency assistance to the millions of refugees who are trying to flee the conflict. Through One Great Hour of Sharing, and specially designated gifts to this critical situation, food, water, blankets, hygienic items, essential, spiritual, and social support are being given, as are clothes, other non-food items, and support aimed at preparing for the winter cold season, just ahead. 100% of gifts designated will directly go to help Syrian refugees and those who are internally displaced in the Middle East and in Europe. Please join us in supporting the Syria refugee crisis on next Sunday (October 18th), Just Peace Sunday.

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

Jazz Vespers

October 17

November 21

December 12

4:00 PM in the Sanctuary

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



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SEEK YE FIRST

* ① D F#m G D G

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his
2. Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek, and
3. You do not live by bread alone, but by

D Em A7 D F#m

1. righ - teous - ness, And all these things shall be
2. ye shall find; Knock, and it shall be
3. ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the

G D G D Em A D

1. add - ed un - to you. } Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
2. o - pened un - to you. }
3. mouth of God. }

② D F#m G D G D Em A7 D

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -

F#m G D G D Em A D

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

*May be sung as a two voice canon.
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CHURCH EVENTS THIS WEEK (October 11-18)

SUNDAY	10:00	AM	Worship
MONDAY	Columbus Day: Office Closed		
TUESDAY	7:00	PM	House Communion
	7:30	PM	Boy Scouts
	7:30	PM	Mission & Outreach Ministry
WEDNESDAY	8:30	AM	Men's Coffee & Conversation
	10:00	AM	FAN Toddler Playgroup
	6:30	PM	Health Ministry
	7:00	PM	Bible Study
	7:00	PM	Winchester Got Lunch
	7:30	PM	Facilities Ministry
	7:30	PM	Personnel Ministry
THURSDAY	Deadline for the November Spire		
	7:00	PM	House Communion
	7:30	PM	Choir Rehearsal
SATURDAY	8:00	AM	MACUCC Super Saturday
	4:00	PM	Jazz Vespers
	5:00	PM	The Dwelling Place
SUNDAY	10:00	AM	Worship: Just Peace Sunday
	10:00	AM	J2A Class 9th & 10th Grades
	10:00	AM	Rite 13 Class-7th & 8th Grades
	10:15	AM	Stepping Stones (Church School)
	11:30	AM	Leadership Team Meeting
	11:30	AM	Our Christian Toolkit: Learning Christian Spiritual Practices We Can Use Throughout Our Lives
	4:00	PM	Girl Scouts
	4:30	PM	NCNS Raindate Fall Social
	7:30	PM	FORUM (High School)