

*UNISON BENEDICTION

**Almighty and merciful God,
you sent your Holy Spirit at Pentecost,
making the disciples bold to preach the good news.
Send us out with the power of the same Spirit
to spread the fire of your love.
We ask this through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

POSTLUDE *Komm, heiliger Geist (BWV 651)* J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*PH indicates Pilgrim Hymnal (red)
NCH indicates New Century Hymnal (black)

*Those who are able please stand

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The Congregation, Ministers to The World
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Pentecost Sunday

May 15, 2016

Worship at 10 AM

Words for meditation and preparation: "I'm not practicing, I don't go to church, but what I got from it was a sense of belonging to something bigger. What I really miss is being forced to be in a community with people that aren't the same as you. Then, you really have to work through the ways that you're different." Win Butler

GATHERING MUSIC *Ballo del granduca* J.P. Sweelinck (1562-1621)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Will Burhans

A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PASSING THE PEACE

PRELUDE *Little Partita for Pentecost (vs. 1)* James Woodman (b. 1957)

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Reinhold Niebuhr) Ben Pulaski

Nothing worth doing is completed in our lifetime;

Therefore we must be saved by hope.

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

Therefore we must be saved by faith.

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

Therefore, we are saved by love.

Let us worship with hope, faith and love

*PROFESSIONAL HYMN

Come, O Spirit, Dwell among us

Black-covered New Century Hymnal #267

*PRAYER AT PENTECOST & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kathleen Zagata

(Adapted from Christine Rodgers)

**Come then gorgeous Spirit.
Cover the entire world with your wings of flame.
Burn your love back into our hearts –
our grieving, aching hearts that want so much to be opened.
Opened by love, we pray as Jesus 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

The 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.**

TIME FOR THE YOUNG

Ben Pulaski

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(see insert)

(Afterwards, the children are invited to leave with the teachers for Stepping Stones)

*HYMN

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

Red-Covered Pilgrim Hymnal # 272

THE OFFERTORY

Rev. Will

Offertory Anthem Pater Noster ("The Lord's Prayer") Robert A. White/trad. Text

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

Liturgist: Rev. Jessica McArdle

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

SERMON

Rev. Judy Arnold

QUIET TIME FOR REFLECTION

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Will

*CLOSING HYMN

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Black-covered NCH #293

The Philadelphia Project 11th Hour

During April break, 11 youth and 4 adults headed down to Philadelphia to work with The Philadelphia Project. On Youth Sunday, May 22nd, the youth who went will tell of their experience that week with the organization. During coffee hour that day, we have a special guest from The Philadelphia Project who will be explaining exactly all the things they do. I encourage all of you to attend and hear the amazing work they do with all ages. The youth of our church will be raising money and collecting things that they are in need of all next year. We were looking to find one organization to spend most of our time and energy helping and found it!

The Outdoor Church May 29

The Outdoor Church is a church for homeless men and women in Cambridge. It is one of the ministries Outreach supports. Our church serves there on the 5th Sunday – if there is one. Four times a year we purchase ingredients, make sandwiches, and send them with two or three congregants to Cambridge. There our members help to serve the Outdoor Church Congregation – they don't have walls or a roof, but they do have community and spirit. Our next Sunday is **May 29th**. Questions? Able to participate this month? There are roles for all ages! Contact Lisa (lisa3abp@aol.com) or Jena (jenaroy@aol.com). THANK YOU!"

Rite 13 Ceremony

On May 22nd during the service, our 7th and 8th graders will be going through the Rite 13 Ceremony. During the ceremony, we as the church recognize them as beginning their journey into adulthood. One piece of this is getting advice for their future from the congregation. Many of you have probably written advice for the other classes (or you are just naturally good at giving advice!). I will be collecting all of the advice and putting it into a booklet for the youth. If you would like to participate by giving your greatest gems of knowledge that you have learned over the years, you can fill out the form down in Chidley Hall during coffee hour or email ben@fcc-winchester.org

Church Events This Week (May 15-22)

SUNDAY	Pentecost		
	Deadline for the June Spire		
	8:15	AM	Celebration of Service Breakfast
	10:00	AM	Worship New Member Sunday
	10:00	AM	J2A Class 9th & 10th Grades
	10:00	AM	Rite 13 7th & 8th graders
	10:15	AM	Stepping Stones (Church School)
	11:30	AM	Purpose Forum
	12:00	AM	Leadership Team Meeting
	4:00	PM	Girl Scouts
	4:00	PM	Sounds of Grace
	7:30	PM	FORUM (High School)
MONDAY	7:00	PM	Carilloneers
TUESDAY	7:30	PM	Boy Scouts
WEDNESDAY	8:30	AM	Men's Coffee & Conversation
	10:00	AM	Ministry Team Meeting
	10:00	AM	FAN Toddler Playgroup
	7:30	PM	Worship Ministry
THURSDAY	7:30	PM	Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY	En Ka Street Fair		
SATURDAY	8:00	AM	Habitat for Humanity Workday
	10:00	AM	Memorial Service for Suzy Tourtellot Shelton
	5:00	PM	The Dwelling Place
	7:00	PM	Youth Overnight
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	7:00	PM	Ruth Group
	7:30	PM	FORUM (High School)

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS CEREMONY

Introduction (spoken by the pastor)

Questions to the New Members:

Do you affirm your faith in God-- Creator of our Savior Jesus Christ and our Creator? **We Do**

Do you promise to participate in the life and mission of this Christ-centered, nurturing community, growing in faith, serving in love, and welcoming all with joy? **We Do**

Question to the Congregation:

And do you, the continuing members of the First Congregational Church, welcome and accept these persons as your fellow members? If so please say, "We do." **We Do.**

Then let us, together, affirm the covenant of our Congregation:

*THE COVENANT (Members and New Members)

We, the members of this Church, covenant and bind ourselves to strive to know the will of God; to walk in the ways of the Lord, made known or to be made known; to exalt the worship of the one true God; to work and pray for the progress of knowledge, the promotion of justice, the reign of peace, and the realization of human community.

DECLARATION

Now, therefore, we extend to you the right hand of fellowship as our sign of welcome and in declaration that we are one community of faith together.

We welcome into membership this morning:

Leigh & Jon Carlisle	Patricia Brady-Kuchma & Dan Kuchma
Liz & Andy Copeland	Rev. Jessica McArdle
Michelle & Rich Crawford	Rev. Will Burhans
Betsy & Rev. Jonathan Goodell	Ben Pulaski
Maggie & Ben Keeler	

Habitat for Humanity: New Site!

Join us for work day on Saturday May 21, at a new site in Lawrence. Adults and youth 16 years and up, please contact Doug Taylor, 781-729-6258 or mccall.taylor@verizon.net

People We are Praying for...

<u>Names</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Jessica Brand	for healing
Martha George	for strength of body & spirit
Rev. Jena Roy	for a miraculous cure
John Sawyer	for healing
The family of Elaine Valende	in their grief

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

Purpose Forum Today: Town Day!

At your suggestion, the next Purpose Forum will take place for just a half hour after worship today. There will be one agenda item: to plan the FCCW presence at Town Day in early June. Last year we offered "Rest, Respite, & Restrooms:" free lemonade, access to restrooms, and a shady spot to picnic. What are your suggestions for improvements? Please join us and share your ideas! Everyone is invited.

Welcome new members!

This Sunday we welcome 15 new members to our church! We thought you might enjoy getting to know them a bit. We asked a few basic questions and here are their responses:

Rev. Will Burhans

Rev. Will was raised in Richmond, VA and is married to Tracy Vartenigian Burhans. They live in Winchester. They have three daughters – Haliana (19), Naomi (17), and Augusta Claire (14). When he is not ministering to us all, he likes to snowboard, swim, read theology, play guitar, sing, and listen to music!

Jon and Leigh Carlisle

Jon is from Bangor, Maine, and Leigh grew up in Duxbury, MA. They live in Winchester with their two children. Grace is 11 years old and George is 8 years old. In their free time, they love to spend time together as a family. Jon also likes to ski and play golf, while Maggie likes to run and read.

Andy and Liz Copeland

Andy and Liz live in Winchester with their two sweet and energetic kids; Scarlett is 5 and Kevin is 2. Liz grew up in Newton and Andy grew up in Alabama. In their free time, they love spending time with our kids, friends, and family.

Michelle and Rich Crawford

Michelle and Rich live in Winchester with their three children: Rosie (16), Ceci (14), and Anton (11). Rich is originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, and Michelle was raised in Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, and Memphis, Tennessee.

Michelle likes to play cards and board games with family and friends, walk in the Fells with their sweet dog, Marley, and read in her spare time. Rich likes to spend his free time beating Michelle in cards and board games and coaching Anton's baseball team.

Betsy and Jonathan Goodell

We welcome Betsy this Sunday, and Jonathan will be joining as well. Jonathan was born in Afghanistan and raised there, Scotland, and in Connecticut. Betsy was born and raised in Michigan. They have lived in Winchester since 1992.

The Goodells have three children. Sarah is 27 and became engaged two weeks ago – she lives in Wisconsin and will be moving to NYC. Brian is 25 works at John Hancock but will be working on a farm in Montana this summer while he studies for the LSAT. David is 19 and finishing his sophomore year at Carleton College.

Jonathan is a UCC minister currently serving as an interim in Scituate. Betsy works at Year Up which helps urban young adults move from poverty to a corporate career in one year. In their spare time, they like to travel, have parties, explore, hike, and do anything fun!

Benjamin and Maggie Keeler

Ben was born in Atlanta, GA, and grew up in Brookline and Cambridge. Maggie was born and raised in a small town in North Carolina called Bostic. They have lived in the Boston area since they graduated from college, but just moved to Winchester last year. They have two children; Georgia (9) and Nathan (7) who both attend Lincoln Elementary School.

When Maggie is not busy working or chauffeuring the kids around, she enjoys curling up with a good book, trying a new recipe, doing science experiments with the kids, and working on her green thumb in the garden. In his free time, Benjamin enjoys playing, watching and coaching sports, traveling with his family and taking walks with their dog, Lucy.

Dan Kuchma and Patricia Brady

Dan is from Toronto, Canada. Patricia is from Chicago. They lived in Illinois for most of their marriage and now live in Winchester. They have 3 children: Ben (7th grade), Mark (5th grade), Alex (1st grade). They enjoy camping, hiking, and outdoor recreation in general.

Jessica McArdle

Jessica was raised in Southern California, specifically Anaheim which is home to Disneyland. Some years back she and Barry moved to Winchester. Jessica is also a UCC minister.

The McArdles have three grown children: Kevin (age 30), Jenny (age 28) and Brian (age 26). They also have a daughter-in-law, Yosra, who is married to Kevin and a son-in-law, Iskander, who married their daughter, Jenny, the same year. Their son, Brian, has a long-time girlfriend, Mary, whom they also consider as family.

In her free time, Jessica enjoys playing the guitar, writing, reading, hiking and hanging out with Barry - be it in their garden or listening to live music. Visiting with their grown children also is a real highlight.

Ben Pulaski

Ben was born and raised in Harrisburg, PA, and currently resides here in Winchester where he has been for 3 years. He and his wife Kerri have a 4-year-old black cat named Molly and they are part time puppy owners of a 6-year-old Havanese dog named Jackson. When he is not ministering to our youth, Ben enjoys reading current event news, figuring out how to use the newest, coolest gadgets, playing guitar, cooking, winning at board games and just relaxing.