

# Order of Worship

## Gathering Music

*Benedictus*

Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

## Welcome

Rev. Will Burhans

## Moment of Silence

## Prelude

*Largo*

Cesar Franck (1822-90)

## The Call to Worship (adapted from Iona Abbey Worship Book)

Ben Pulaski

One: The God of heaven has made a home on earth

**All: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**

One: The highest in all creation lives among the least,

**All: Christ journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.**

One: Come now all who thirst

**All: And drink the water of life.**

One: Come now all who hunger

**All: And be filled with good things.**

One: Come now all who seek

**All: And find your heart's desire.**

One: Come now, let us worship together.

## \*Opening Hymn

*Arise, Your Light Is Come*

NCH #164

## \*Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

(adapted from Iona Abbey Worship Book)

Kathleen Zagata

One: O Christ, we bow before you in this shelter-house of prayer once more to give thanks.

Together we celebrate your presence

In creation all around us; in flowing air, in fertile earth, in swift running tides.

**All: In your mercy, O Christ, hear our prayer.**

One: You sat at table with the betrayed and rejected. We pray for those today who do not feel welcomed in their daily lives.

**All: In your mercy, O Christ, hear our prayer.**

One: You identified with the naked and the vulnerable and with those who had no place to lay their heads. We pray for the thousands of homeless men and women, young and old in our cities.

**All: In your mercy, O Christ, hear our prayer.**

One: You belonged to a refugee family. We pray for the millions of displaced people in our world and for the opening of borders to the nationless.

**All: In your mercy, O Christ, hear our prayer.**

One: You stood before Pilate who asked "what is truth" and in his power, condemned you to death. We pray for all oppressed and marginalized by those in power.

**All: In your mercy, O Christ, hear our prayer.**

One: You taught your disciples how to pray in words simple yet profound.

We pray these words together:

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.

## A Time for the Young

Ben Pulaski

## Taizé Chant: How Blessed Are You

(♩ = 60)  
*p*  
How blessed are you who are poor; the King-dom of God is yours,  
*p*  
how blessed are you who are poor; the King-dom of God is yours. How  
(Fine)

## Scripture

New Testament-Matthew 5:1-12

Liturgist: Ben Wilson

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## Sermon

"The Beatitudes"

Rev. Will Burhans

## Quiet Time for Reflection

## Prayers of the People

Rev. Judy Arnold

## Offertory

*The Beatitudes* [2004]

Music by Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

Text: Matthew 5: 3-12

## \*Doxology

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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

*Lead On Eternal Sovereign*

NCH #573

## Benediction

Rev. Judy Arnold & Rev. Will Burhans

## Passing the Peace of Christ

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

## Postlude

*Voluntary*

Maurice Greene (1696-1755)

# 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.

## Meet Our Church

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

21 Church Street, Winchester, MA 01890 781-729-9180

[www.fcc-winchester.org](http://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](http://www.fcc-winchester.org)

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

**Text FCCW to 22828 to join our email list**

**January 29, 2017**  
The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
10:00 Worship Service

*People We Are Praying for...*

<u>Names</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Robin, Christopher and Emily Smith	In their grief at the death of Tom Smith, husband and father
Daniel Lillie, great-nephew of Mike Redding	For healing
Family of Mary Elizabeth Barger	In their grief
Michael Caine	Healing from cancer
Bob Shirley	For strength and healing
Dory Cole Ogden, niece of Stephen W. Cole	For healing
Martha George	For healing and courage
Lucy Sanders	In her job search
Jessica Brand	For healing

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

## Upcoming Events

### **Come learn about and decide on our church's financial plans!**

On Sunday February 5th there will be a congregational meeting in the sanctuary whose primary task is to agree on the 2017 budget. There will be a budget hearing, with Q & A today, January 29th in the Palmer room. Please join us after the worship service for both of these events.

Penny Sparrow, Moderator

### **Beds for Fisk organ workers needed**

Do you have a spare bed available in your home for an organ worker during February or March? Our congregation voted in favor of proceeding with the restoration work of our Fisk Organ beginning on February 13. In order to maximize the time spent in Winchester working on the organ, Fisk has asked if we can provide a bed and a shower (no meals) to one person from Monday through Thursday night for the 6 weeks of the project, plus another person for one of those weeks. If you can offer one or two weeks, that would be a great help. The weeks are 2/13-16, 2/20-23, 2/27-3/3 (one worker needs a bed for 5 days this week), 3/6-9, 3/13-16 and 3/20-23. If you have questions or are ready to volunteer, please contact Bruce Alexander at [bruce\\_alexander@comcast.net](mailto:bruce_alexander@comcast.net) and/or Jane Ring Frank at [jringfrank@comcast.net](mailto:jringfrank@comcast.net). Thank you!

### **Men's Group Sunday Feb 12 7:30 PM**

FCC Monthly Men's Group, Sunday February 12th, 7:30-9 PM, Palmer Room. All FCC men and their guests are welcome. We discuss matters that are personal and spiritual. Pot-luck beverages or snacks are welcome but not expected. Questions to [chris.noble@yahoo.com](mailto:chris.noble@yahoo.com).

# TALENT SHOW

### **Talent Show!**

Just a reminder that the church will be hosting a talent show on February 3rd from 6-8:30. The show will also include a baked potato and ice cream sundae bar. The money that is collected will go towards supporting the two youth mission trips this year. \$20 per person or \$40 per family. To reserve your tickets or to sign up for an act email [ben.pulaski@gmail.com](mailto:ben.pulaski@gmail.com) or sign up with a student during coffee hour this morning.

We are still looking for people to sponsor different parts of the mission trips. You may choose to sponsor a van, or perhaps a chaperone, or perhaps you want to cover the cost of food for a student for the week. We will be down in Chidley Hall this week with all the areas that still need some support. You may also send a check to the church at any point. So far we have raised over \$2000. Thank you to all who have pitched in already.

### **Do you feel called to serve on our Leadership Team?**

We are looking for 2 new people to serve on the Leadership Team of our church. We need some creative and committed folks to help us think strategically about our church, its direction, and how we can be ever more faithful in our spiritual growth, care for one another, and service to the world. You are sure to grow spiritually and communally with this faithful group of people even as you support our church in doing the same. Please give some thought and prayer to whether God might be calling you to deeper involvement in this way. You are welcome to reach out to any of the members of our nominating group for more information and/or to express your interest: Rev. Will Burhans ([william.burhans@gmail.com](mailto:william.burhans@gmail.com)), Dina Pradel ([pradel.dina@gmail.com](mailto:pradel.dina@gmail.com)), Maria Fernando ([maf6538@gmail.com](mailto:maf6538@gmail.com)) and Keith Russell ([aktrussell@verizon.net](mailto:aktrussell@verizon.net)). We will gratefully receive any and all volunteers and then based upon the make-up of the Leadership Team we will discern who would best compliment the current configuration of members.