

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Little Partita for Easter (vs. 1-3)

James Woodman (b. 1957)

Welcome

Rev. Judy Arnold

Moment of Silence

Prelude

Christ lag in Todesbanden (S. 625)

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The Call to Worship (Psalm 16)

Ben Pulaski

ONE: Holy God, You are the Refuge of all who trust in you.
We come to worship you - trusting completely in you.

ALL: In shared worship, we come to worship your holy presence.

ONE: Unshakable God, in confidence we come to you as
your children, You are our Hope and our Future.

ALL: In shared worship, we rejoice in our heritage.

ONE: God, you are the fullness of joy, and in you we trust.

**ALL: In shared worship, we give thanks to you for your guidance,
and for the sense of security your near presence gives to us. Amen.**

*Processional Hymn

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

NCH # 286

*Gathering Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Kathleen Zagata

Living, loving God, we give thanks and praise that the doors of our hearts
can't keep you out, and the doors of our churches can't keep you in!
May your breath blow anew through the world,
may your Spirit fill the lives of those who believed they were beyond your reach!
May we who have been so blessed with the joy of this Easter redemption
be generous in sharing all that we are and all that we have,
so that the power of the Resurrection might reach all your children.
In Christ's Holy name, 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

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.

Sacrament of Baptism

Avery Judith Nordstrom, daughter of Erin & Eric Nordstrom

*Hymn

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

NCH #325

Scripture

John 20:19-31

NT p. 115, LP NT 101

Sermon

Rev. Judy Arnold

Quiet Time for Reflection

Prayers of the People

Response: In the name of the Prince of Peace, God hear our prayer.

Offertory

This Joyful Eastertide

Rev. Will Burhans
traditional melody from David's Psalmen, Amsterdam, 1685
arranged by Alice Parker & Robert Shaw

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst His three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain: But now is Christ arisen.

*Doxology

**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.**

NCH #780

*Closing Hymn

There Is a Balm in Gilead

NCH # 553

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

Little Partita for Easter (vs. 4)

Woodman

Today's Worship Service

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Carmine Piantedosi and John & Alice Devaney, by their grandchildren Julie & Erik Devaney.

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. 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)

April 23, 2017

Second 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

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

People for Whom We Are Praying ...

<u>Names</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Gary Hogg, Natalie Roche's brother	For comfort and healing
Janice Richardson Snowden	Strength, comfort, & healing
Jodie Mullane	In her grief for her good friend, Rose
Family of Robert Bigelow	In their grief
Bob McIndoe	For strength & healing
Daniel Lillie, great-nephew of Mike Redding	For healing
Henry Daggett	Healing and recovery from a broken hip
Bradley Ross	For comfort and healing
Bob Shirley	For strength and healing
Jessica Brand	For healing

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



'Then Your Light Will Burst Forth'

the 177th Annual Meeting

Sunday May 7th 11:30-1:30

You are invited! Do you have the annual meeting in your calendar? It promises to be a rich time. This year, along with conducting the official business of the church and looking back over the past year, we will talk over lunch about our vision for the use of Ripley Chapel. Then we will decide together, based on this vision, what level of financial commitment we will make to bring this about. Non-members are warmly invited to join us at the annual meeting.

Children will have their own lunch and a fun activity (involving pajamas!), so parents can relax and enjoy the meeting.

Ruth Group

Tonight at 7 PM

The April meeting of the Ruth Group will be held at the home of Karen Roberts, 3 Kenilworth Road. Note change in date because the third Sunday of the month was Easter. We will be discussing My Brilliant Friend by Elena Ferrante. All women of the church are welcome. For more information or transportation, please email Joyce Mills or call her at 617-835-4692.

Experience and Explore Options for Ripley Chapel on April 26th

To help our congregation make a thoughtful and prayerful decision at Annual Meeting about the scope of work on Ripley Chapel, the Leadership Team and the Ripley Chapel/Fisk Organ Working Group invite everyone to attend a special Purpose Forum on Wednesday, April 26th, from 6:30 to 8:15 PM.

The evening will start in Ripley Chapel with a brief worship experience that allows us to "try out" the possibilities that would be facilitated in an altered space. Then we will move to the Tucker Room for a light dinner and conversation to process the worship experience and recommend the values and attributes for a renovated Ripley Chapel that are most important in support of our church's purpose.

Outdoor Church

Sunday April 30th

The Outdoor Church is a church for homeless men and women in Cambridge. Our church serves there when there is a 5th Sunday in the month. Together, we purchase ingredients, make sandwiches, and send them (and some fresh, new socks) 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.

What we need:

- **Sandwich providers:** Drop off your ingredients (meats, cheeses, tuna, egg, chicken salad) anytime before Sunday, leave in Chidley fridge and kitchen.
- **Sandwich makers:** Come down after worship.
- **Sandwich givers/walkers:** We need 2 more walkers to Join Lisa and carpool to Cambridge.
- **Socks:** Drop off in the church lobby or bring them to the sanctuary on Sunday.

Able to participate this month? There are roles for all ages! Contact Lisa Loughlin at lisa3apb@aol.com Thank you!

Email Newsletter

Are you receiving our email newsletters? The weekly goes out on Thursday and the Spire goes out at the end of the month. We want you to know what's going on in our community. You can sign up on our website, through the office, or by texting FCCW to 22828.

Islam and Christianity

Next Sunday, April 30, in worship we welcome Kamal Youcef-Toumi, an MIT professor and friend of Julianne Zimmerman, who will recite a portion of the Quran alongside our Gospel lesson during the service and then offer us an 11th Hour lesson, immediately following worship, in the Palmer Room. He will share with us the intricate and involved process of Quran recitation and be available to answer our questions.

