

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Little Partita for Easter

James Woodman (b. 1957)

Welcome

Rev. Will Burhans

Chains of Love

The Call to Worship

One: Come, enter into a time of worship, and allow yourself to be drawn into the greater vision of God, the deeper love of Christ, the wider connection of the Spirit.

All: We come, recognizing that this is what we need; for too easily in a week's time does our vision become impaired, our hearts hardened, and our relationships fractured.

One: Re-center yourselves here and find that at your center dwells the resurrected Christ, the source of all love and healing.

All: Thanks be to God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

*Processional Hymn

Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day

New Century Hymnal #241

*Gathering Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Kathleen Zagata

(adapted from the Iona Community)

There is no pain in our hearts or in our planet that you do not know, for you have touched the lowest places on earth. Teach us to be present with you to the struggles and pain around us. There is no place in the heavens that cannot be touched by your resurrection presence, for you fill all things. Give us strength to grow into your way of love. In you all the parts of the body fit together and all parts of creation form an intricate web of interconnectedness. Teach us to know our place among all that is and the interdependence that we all share. May we grow with each other and all living creatures through love. In Jesus name we pray...

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

Mateo Alexander Jones, son of Nicole & Craig Jones

*Hymn

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

New Century Hymnal #325

Scripture

Psalm 118

John 20:19-31

Liturgist: Teresa Cader
OT pg. 565, LP OT pg. 528
NT p. 115, LP NT 101

Sermon

"What the Resurrection Isn't"

Rev. Will Burhans

Quiet Time for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Judy Arnold

Offertory

Zigeunerweisen (Gypsy Airs), Op. 20 [1878]

Sarah Campbell, violin

Pablo de Sarasate (1844-1908)

*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

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

New Century Hymnal #240

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

Puer nobis nascitur

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

Today's Worship Service

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Michael O. Regentz, by the Regentz family.

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 8, 2018
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

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 ...

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

Chain of Love

A Community Wide *Chain of Love* will be delivered to the Winchester Library during National Library Week, April 8-14. This morning in your bulletin you will find a strip of colored paper that will be added as a loop to the chain. Members are invited to write words of gratitude about the Winchester library and staff and after service leave it in a basket near the exits.

TODAY at 4 PM

A Special Holocaust Memorial Concert

In honor of Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day, April 11, 2018), First Congregational Church will co-sponsor, along with Temple Shir Tikvah, a distinctive string quartet concert in the beautiful acoustic of our sanctuary, featuring the works of three powerful composers who perished in the Holocaust - Erwin Schulhoff, Pavel Haas and Leo Smit. You will have an opportunity to hear the Aryaloka String Quartet (Aryaloka is a Sanskrit word which means "in the presence of the noble ones."), four marvelous string players who have often graced our chancel in collaboration with the FCC choir. The quartet will round out the program with the celebrated *String Quartet No. 8* of Dimitri Shostakovich which was "dedicated to the victims of fascism and war." Reverend Will Burhans and Rabbi Cari Bricklin-Small will offer a brief welcome and introduction. The concert will be followed by a lovely reception, hosted by both congregations. Free will offering taken at the door.

FCCW Monthly Men's Group

Tonight, 7-9 PM, 4 Heritage Dr., Woburn (Paul & Lynne Rahmeier's house)

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.

Second Wednesday Bible Study

We are reading through some of the letters of Paul. We started with Galatians and are now on 1st Corinthians. In our next class, we will finish 1 Corinthians – taking up where we left off 1 Corinthians 13:13. This is new territory for most of us and at a level everyone would be able to participate in. Each month's gathering is self contained so come when you can, you won't be behind. We've discovered some amazing things about Paul and some that we found upsetting. It's part of the balance between strengthening our faith and maintaining our authentic selves. We meet in the Health Ministry office from 7:00 to 8:30. This month the Second Wednesday is April 11. Come join us.

The Dwelling Place needs volunteers for Saturday, April 21st!

We are looking for 4 - 6 volunteers to prepare and serve a meal for about 30 people at the Dwelling Place on Saturday, April 21st. The Dwelling Place is a collaboration of area churches that prepares and serves meals at the United Methodist Church in Woburn for individuals and families in need.

Can you and your family or friends help?

- Volunteers can be adults and children.
- Serving time is only 2 hours -- from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- The food is simple and easy to prepare.

If you want to serve but are not sure you can prepare the food, we can help with that. We also can provide gift cards to help with food expense.

To sign up, please contact your FCC Dwelling Place coordinators: Lisa Loughlin (781.346.1241) lisa3abp@aol.com & Linda Alexander (617.763.0650) lgalexander@comcast.net

You are invited to a Civility Workshop!

Saturday, April 28, 2018 8:30 AM to Noon in the Tucker & Palmer Rooms

We hope you'll join us for an interactive discussion and workshop on the topic of civility. Using material from various curricula, a conversational technique called "Reverse Debate," and the spiritual practice of "Welcoming Prayer," we will explore a variety of methods for carrying out and modeling civil discourse in today's society.

There's no need to sign up — just come on April 28th!

A light breakfast will be provided.

The Adult Faith Exploration Ministry: Co-Chairs: Sarah Gallop & Laurie Roby, Judy Arnold, Anne Hoenicke, Andy McKinley, and Karen Roberts

Host Home Training: Learn About Hosting an Asylum Seeker

Sunday, April 22nd, from 3-4 p.m., at Temple Beth Shalom in Melrose.

You care about your immigrant neighbors. You have made donations and have told your legislators of your views. Perhaps your heart was stirred as Deirdre Giblin described the plight of asylum seekers when she spoke about her work as an immigration lawyer on Just Peace Sunday. Maybe you want to do more. The Refugee Immigration Ministry (RIM) Metro North Cluster invites you to learn about becoming a host home for an asylum seeker.

The training will include specific information about what's involved in being a host family to an asylum seeker — either short term or a longer term of 6 months or more. In addition, one or two people who have been or currently are hosts for an asylum seeker will be there to answer questions and share their experiences. Attending the training does not mean a commitment to be a host family, only that you are interested in knowing more.

Questions about this program? Contact Bruce Alexander (617-605-6030 / bruce_alexander@comcast.net) or Linda Alexander (617-763-0650 / lgalexander@comcast.net)

Our next Sunday at the Outdoor Church is coming up, April 29.

The Outdoor Church is a ministry to the men and women who call the streets of Cambridge home. The Outdoor Church provides spiritual and physical sustenance. On the fifth Sunday of the month, the First Congregational Church helps to provide both. We have walkers — the youth are representing us. We need the ingredients for lunch — sandwich ingredients and other items. Want to help? View the weekly email or our website for the signup genius. We will be assembling the sandwiches after worship on April 29th — put it on your calendar.