

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 5, 2021
Second Congregational Church in Wilton,

**Welcome to the worship of God at the
Second Congregational Church in Wilton,
United Church of Christ.
We are glad you are here today!**

United Church of Christ

Bold print means congregational participation.
An asterisk () indicates to please stand, if you are able.*

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

MEDITATIVE PRAYER

For personal meditation before the service begins: Breathe on us, Breath of God, as we gather to worship you. Attune our lips to sing your praise; sensitize our hearts to hear your Word; open our minds to receive your guidance; challenge our lives to emulate him whom as Christians we adore and profess to follow. Then when the worship ends, let our service begin! Amen. – John Biegert

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: “All who dwell in the shelter of the most high / who abide in the shadow of the almighty, will say to the Lord, ‘My refuge and my fortress ... my God, in whom I trust.’” (Psalm 91:1)

All: “They who wait upon the Lord shall have their strength renewed; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.” (Isaiah 40:31)

Let us then worship God, our help for today and bright hope for tomorrow. Amen.

***HYMN NO. 48**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

INVOCATION

(unison)

God of all wisdom and grace, high and lifted up and yet ever near and hearing your people when they turn to you in prayer, hear us now as we meet before you in this sacred place. Make us to be like one in spirit as we sing with joy our songs of faith; and grant us the inspiration and the strength we need so that going forth at the end of worship we may go as faithful disciples of your Son Jesus Christ. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI TUNE: GREATOREX**

**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, Amen.**

ENGAGING THE WORD

ANTHEM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass 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.

CHORAL RESPONSE

INVITATION TO SHARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*DOXOLOGY Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*DEDICATION

Whatever we give to you, O God, is but a small reflection of the bounty
you have bestowed on us. Teach us generosity with all we have,
including our love and praise, and let these offerings reach out into all
the world to assist others in our human community, and to make your
name known in all the earth. Amen.

(in unison)

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Acts 17:16-34

SERMON

“An Invincible Summer”

HYMN NO. 699

Let Us Break Bread Together

(seated)

HOLY COMMUNION

*We welcome all people to join in receiving this sacrament. Children may participate
at the discretion of their parents (guardians). The cup contains grape juice
and the cracker in the small bowl are gluten free.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

When receiving the bread, eat it when you are ready as a sign of your personal relationship with God, and when receiving the cup, please wait for the minister to initiate when we drink after all have been served as a sign of being in the community of Christ.

GOING WITH THE WORD

*HYMN NO. 569

God of Grace and God of Glory

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Praising God's glory,
the flowers are given by Lamar and Loretta Smith in memory of loved ones.



Announcements

If you need or want a visit by the pastor
please contact the
church office 603-654-9045
or the pastor directly at 603-620-0235

On The Calendar

- Labor Day, September 5—Office Closed
- Sunday Worship, September 12—10:00 AM
- Senior Book Club, September 13-10:00 AM
- Set Up for Missions Dinner,
September 15—12—4:00 PM
- Missions Dinner, September 15—4:00 PM
- Set Up for Rummage Sale, September 17
- Rummage Sale, September 18

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Kerry Richardson (Interim Pastor)
Rev. Larry Smith (Guest Pastor)
Patricia Cauchon, Director of Music
All the Congregation, Ministers to the World

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