



*Second Congregational Church in Wilton,
United Church of Christ*

ORDER OF WORSHIP
First Sunday After Pentecost/Trinity Sunday
June 12, 2022
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**Welcome to the worship of God at the
Second Congregational Church in Wilton,
United Church of Christ.**

We are glad you are here today!

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

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: In the beginning God created
the heavens and the earth.

Many: **In the beginning was the Word and the Word
was with God and the Word was God.**

One: In the beginning the Spirit of God swept over
the face of the waters.

Many: **In the beginning God said,
“Let us make humankind in our image.”**

One: And so we came into being,
created by God who exists in community.

Many: **We are here as God’s community
to worship the Source of our being.**

***HYMN** “Amazing Grace” NO. 422

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (UNISON)

**Holy Mother you have birthed us into life,
Holy Father you have nurtured us along our way,
In you we live and move and have our being.
To you we bring our offering of praise and thanksgiving.
We open ourselves to your presence in this time
of worship. Fill us with resolve and purpose, to be your**

community and to expand our boundaries until all of creation is renewed and all people are welcomed and blessed. This we ask through the risen and ascended Christ who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER CONFESSION

One: Holy God, we were created in your image, an image of mutuality and respect for one another; an image of a dance ever moving, ever in tune one with others; an image of community with shared blessing and mission. You have given us dominion over the work of your hands. You have charged us to be fruitful and multiply, to make disciples of all nations.

Many: Forgive us God; we have denied our purpose.

One: We have abused the earth's resources for our own selfish gain and the consequences wreak havoc upon the fish of the sea, the birds of the air and every living thing that moves upon the earth.

Many: Forgive us God; we have defiled your image.

One: We have regarded some of your children as "other" and therefore, beyond the reach of your love and care, because their professed faith in you, or lack thereof, is different from our own.

Many: Forgive us God; for we have sinned.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

From John 3:16-17

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

***GLORIA PATRI TUNE: GREATOR EX**

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

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

John 16:12-15

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

SERMON

“Transitions”

***HYMN**

“Be Not Afraid”

NO. 430

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

(UNISON)

Giver, Steward, and Guide, may these gifts we bring
magnify beyond the boundaries of our community to
create new possibilities in the world.

***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.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(UNISON)

Generous, Abundant, and Precious God, bless our
offerings of presence, ability, and resources as we
participate as your co-creators.

***HYMN**

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

NO. 480

GOING WITH THE WORD

***BENEDICTION**

May the God of Peace assure you. May the God of Life
invigorate you. May the God of Wind direct you.
Go, in peace and hope, to transform your community and
the world to the glory of God.

Announcements

WORSHIP SERVICE SUMMER HOURS

On June 19th, our worship service will begin at 9:30 AM

ALL CHURCH MEETING

Information has been sent out to all church members regarding ONA. There will be an all church meeting immediately following service on **Sunday, June 12, 2022**. At that time a vote will be taken to approve or disapprove of ONA designation for our church.

Please come and vote - your vote matters

On The Calendar

All Church Meeting and Vote—Today Following Worship
Council Meeting—June 21, 7:00 PM Via Zoom

Covenant

We are a church, believing that each of us is created in God's Image. We celebrate everyone, including people of all ages, races, cultures, sexual orientations, cognitive or emotional abilities, education or spiritual and religious traditions. All are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry and mission of this church as we seek to grow together in a safe and nurturing community of faith. We strive to demonstrate in all ways that "no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Accepted into by-laws, June 2021

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Kermit Williams (Guest Speaker)
Stephanie Ouellette, Liturgist
Patricia Cauchon, Director of Music

All the Congregation, Ministers to the World

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