

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Lori Vail, Supply Pastor
Mike Parsons, Lay Reader

September 6, 2020

Worship 9:30 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *The Gift to be Simple* arr. Dale Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Beloveds, we are called to love those in need.

People: Let us love in truth and action.

Leader: Beloveds, we are called to be people of peace.

People: Let us love one another.

Leader: Beloveds, we are called to be people of healing.

People: Let us love not only God, but our brothers and sisters also.

Leader: May we abide in God's love.

People: May God's love abide in us.

HYMN *Trust and Obey* (*Please listen but do not sing*)

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,

What a glory He sheds on our way; While we do His good will,

He abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way, to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

INVOCATION (in unison)

Merciful God, your strength and courage pour forth to sustain the witness of your faithful people. Awaken in us the humility to serve wherever creation is broken and needy - that we may follow in the way of our brother, Jesus, die as he did to all that separates us from you, and be raised as he was to new life. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Trespases)

*GLORIA PATRI (*Please listen but do not sing*)

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON *Exodus 12: 1-14*

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON *Matthew 18 :15-20*

SERMON *Vowing to Resist* Lori Vail

OFFERING OF SPECIAL MUSIC *Blessed Assurance* Dan and Edie Rice; Becca and Ryan Fitzpatrick

*DOXOLOGY (*Please listen but do not sing*)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

We dedicate this money as one evidence of our stewardship, Loving God. Our silver and gold have no value except as they are invested according to your purposes. Our lives gain value as we give our time and talents in loving service. Use all that we have and give to build the community you intend, through Christ, Amen.

HYMN *This Is My Father's World* (Please listen but do not sing)
*This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas - His hand the wonders wrought.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Allegro Maestoso* G.F. Handel
Call to Worship and Invocation adapted and reprinted from Daily Prayer for all Seasons by Church Publishing C. 2014; Unison Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2 by Lavon Bayler C. 1992 Pilgrim Press

***Please stand if you are able.**

Happy Birthday

Sept 2 Meg Radley	Sept 7 Kurt Rudolph & Matt Schroeter
Sept 3 Judy Holcomb	Sept 8 Scott Warnshouse
Sept 5 Daniel Rice	Sept 9 John Rugg
Sept 6 Putt Moore & Bryan McGuire	

Rally Day!

Sunday, September 13 - Noon to 2 p.m. Come to a Picnic in the Park at Baker Park! Bring the whole family, bring your own lunch! This will be a chance for our church families with children to get back together while maintaining appropriate social distancing.

Questions? E-mail Debbie at ce@canandaiguachurch.org . Hope to see you then!

Sunday School Update:

The Christian Education Committee has decided that Sunday School and Youth will meet via Zoom on September 20 and 27. We will wait to see what happens with the school opening before we begin to consider meeting at the church. We will let you know when we are ready to come back to in-person classes. If you have any questions, please e-mail Debbie at ce@canandaiguachurch.org

Prayer List

Muriel Allemand (Jim & Connie Malone's friend); **Steve Beck** (Heidi Schwarz's brother); **Keith Blaker**; **Sue & Bill Blaker & Family**; **Brad Bliss**; **Ruth Bundy** (Cheryl Bootes' friend); **Marjorie Case**; **Kira Casellas**; **Cathy Coots**; **Peggy & Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friends); **Julie English** (Janet & Kim Tenreiro's friend); **Brian Fuscaldo** (Mara Huberlie's nephew); **Jerry Gomez** (Kathi Nacca's friend); **Hannah Morgan & Family**; **Gayle Henry**; **Carin Herren**; **Jeff Johnson** (Jim & John Johnson's brother); **Jim Kolesar** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Sue Kotalik**; **Family of Melanie** (Dennis Maxfield's niece); **Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Loren** (Meg & Jack Radley's friend); **Lynn** (Joan Ryan's friend); **Eileen McCarthy** (Carla DeMeco & Betsy Dresser's friend); **Sally Mueller**; **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); **Claude Peters**; **Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Jack and Meg Radley**; **Sara** (Meg & Jack Radley's granddaughter); **Scott and Amanda** (nephew and niece of Don & Marilyn

DeSmith); **John Paul and Pat Smith; Smith/Dworetsky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Sally Stowell** (Alice Berry's mother); **Walker** (Don & Dorice Raw's friend); **Kathy Ward; Gordon Wenner** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Merle Winn** (Amy Ogden's friend); **Robin Wisniewski** (Alicia's mom); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason Zeller** (Kathy Ward's son); **Linda Zeller** (Kathy Ward's daughter in law)

Calendar

Mon. Sept 7 Office Closed – *Happy Labor Day!*

Tues. Sept 8 – Men's Group 8 Gateway Grille

Thurs. Sept. 10 – Resource Comm. 11:00 zoom

Sunday Sept. 13 – Worship **10:30**, Live Stream & in person, Rally Day picnic 12-2 Baker Park