

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Holy Communion

Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen, Pastor

Cathy Brooks, Lay Reader

February 7, 2021

Worship 10:30 AM

PRELUDE

*Meditation on 'Adoro Te Devote'*

Alfred V. Fedak

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Thanks be to you, O God, that we have risen this day,

**To the rising of this life itself.**

Be the purpose of God between us and each purpose,

**The hand of God between us and each hand,**

The pain of Christ between us and each pain,

**The love of Christ between us and each love.**

O God, who brought us to the bright light of this new day

**Bring us to the guiding light of eternity.**

HYMN #248 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* (Vs 1&3) (Please sing along at home)

I want to walk as a child of the light;

I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world;

The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all;

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God;

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ;

I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race,

We shall know the joy of Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all;

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God;

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

INVOCATION (in unison)

**Let us pray. Living God, our loving parent; you cherish your creation and we praise you.**

**With earth, air, water, fire: in our element as your children, we praise you. With our lips, with our lives, in all our diversity, each one made in your image, we praise you. Because, in Jesus, you came to share our human lives, our sorrow and joy, we praise you. Because your Spirit is at work each today: encouraging, enabling, surprising us, we praise you. Poor as we are, you give us hope: salt of the earth, you give us meaning and purpose and we praise you. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER (Trespases)

\*GLORIA PATRI (Please sing along at home)

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON *Isaiah 40: 28-31*

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON *Mark 1: 29-39*

COMMUNION MEDITATION *A Place at the Table* Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen

\*DOXOLOGY (Please sing along at home)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

**Thank you, God, for showing us a better way to live than we are able to devise for ourselves. Thank you for reaching out to win our hearts. Thank you for Jesus Christ, for the ministry that extended your love to the least and the lost, for the powerful presence that offered wholeness to those who were sick or broken-hearted, for the prayers that demonstrated how we, too, can be in communion with you. In gratitude, we dedicate this offering. Amen.**

HYMN #699 *Let Us Break Bread Together* (Please sing along at home!)

Let us break bread together on our knees;

let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;

let us praise God together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

HOLY COMMUNION

*Invitation, Words of Remembering, and Consecration*

*Sharing of the Bread*

In the name and the presence of Christ, let us in our many places receive the gift of God, the bread of heaven.

**We are one in Christ in the bread we share.**

*Sharing of the Cup*

In the name and the presence of Christ, let us with our many needs and many blessings, receive the gift of God, the cup of blessing.

**We are one in Christ in the cup we share.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Trumpet Tune on 'Westminster Abbey'*

Mark Sedio

*Call to Worship & Invocation adapted and reprinted from Iona Abbey Worship Book by the Iona Community; Unison Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2 by Lavon Bayler; Communion Liturgy adapted from Maren Tirrabassi*

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

***Happy Birthday***

2/7 Laurie Cleveland

2/10 Jim Davis

2/8 Tom Mees

2/11 Dot Blanck

2/8 Jane Ogden

2/13 Olivia Casella

***Prayer List***

**Steve Beck** (Heidi Schwarz's brother); **Brad Bliss**; **Jennifer Brownell & Family**; **Marjorie Case**; **Cheryl** (Jennifer Maxfield's sister-in-law); **Don & Judy Clark** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **Cathy Coots**; **Den, Paris, and Kira** (Friends of Fred Henry); **Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friend); **Julie English** (Janet & Kim Tenreiro's friend); **Brian Fuscaldo** (Mara Huberlie's nephew); **Jerry Gomez** (Kathi Nacca's friend); **Carin Herren**; **Jim and Carolyn** (Amy Ogden's friends); **Jim Kolesar** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Sue Kotalik**; **Jan Larsen** (Dawn's mother); **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); **Norman** (Jennifer Maxfield's uncle); **Margaret Page** (Bonnie Maguire's mother); **Pia** (Jim & Connie Malone's friend); **Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Jack and Meg Radley**; **Don Raw, Sr.**; **Sara** (Meg & Jack Radley's granddaughter); **Smith/Dworetzky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Pat Smith**; **Dr. Steven Smith & Family** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **Sally Stowell** (Alice Berry's mother); **Walker** (Don & Dorice Raw's friend); **Tom Wallace** (Jackie Lowe's significant other); **Kathy Ward**; **Gordon Wenner** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason Zeller** (Kathy Ward's son); **Linda Zeller** (Kathy Ward's daughter in law)

***Calendar***

Sunday Feb 7 - Worship Live Stream 10:30; Communion, Annual Meeting 11 Zoom

Monday Feb 8 - Study Grp 9; Trustees 4; 5:30 Study Grp

Tues., Feb 9 – 3:00 Spirituals and Hymn Sing Live Stream Jim & Elaine Hilton

Thursday Feb. 11 – Staff Meeting 4 in person

Sunday Feb 14 – Valentine's Day; Worship Live Stream 10:30; hybrid Sunday School; 11:45 Congregational Life zoom