

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ORGAN PRELUDE

Andante

Hesse

[We request that the chimes be the signal for a time of quiet meditation before the service]

MOMENT OF GREETING AND CONCERNS

[We invite everyone to fill out the **Fellowship Pad** in their pew at this time. Please pass this pad down your pew and back again. Thank you.]

***HYMN No. 35** *When Morning Guilds the Skies* [vs. 1-4]

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to me all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens and I will give you rest.

People: Take my yoke upon you and learn from me.

Leader: For I am gentle and humble in heart and you will find rest for your souls.

People: For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

INVOCATION (in unison)

O God, may the bread and cup we receive at your table this morning open our eyes to the presence of Christ among us. Bind us more closely to each other and to him, that in lifting up our hearts and minds to you we may go from this house of worship renewed in body and spirit, nourished and made new in your peace. We pray as Jesus taught us, saying, "Our Father..."

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts")

CHORAL INTERLUDE

COMMUNION COLLECT (Leader)

We are called to examine our faithfulness to God, in whose presence we gather. God promises us grace and pardon when we acknowledge our weakness and shame. Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Leader)

God hears the confession of our hearts and lips. Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven all our sins and empowered for new life. This is the gospel which we have received and believe. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI No. 513**

ANTHEM

Simple Gifts

arr. Schweitzer

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:18-31

NT 133

CALL TO PRAYER No. 531

[Congregation is asked to sing with the choir where indicated "People."]

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray: O Lord show Thy mercy upon us.

People: And grant us Thy Salvation

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us,

People: And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

Anthem

O Holy City Seen of John

arr, Price

*Doxology - No. 515

Offertory Prayer

COMMUNION MEDITATION "The Peace of Christ"

***COMMUNION HYMN No. 254** *Break Thou the Bread of Life*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

We invite all who love our Lord Jesus Christ to join us in his sacrament of Holy Communion. Also, children may receive this sacrament if they have the permission to do so from their parent or guardian.

***HYMN OF TRUTH & LIGHT** *It Is Well With My Soul*

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

***POSTLUDE**

Jesu Meine Lebens Leben

Bach

*Those who are able, please stand

Visitors - We welcome you to our church fellowship and hope you will come again. We invite you to sign the *Friendship Pad* that is passed in the pew or sign the guest book in the narthex. There are many new faces in our congregation; we encourage those with name tags to please wear them. **Childcare** for ages infant through six years is available downstairs in Room 10.

Please turn off your cell phones.

Please note! Hearing-aid devices and print-outs of the day's sermon are available. Please speak to a Deacon.

Please join us for "Punch on the Portico" after our service.

Greeters are Dorothy & Ed Carter and Cynthia Sacht.

Ushers are Jeanne & Rod Baltz and Ann & Tom Stone.

Lay reader is Penny Foster.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Tues., Aug. 31 10:00 a.m. Friendly Circle
Thurs., Sept. 2 2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, September 12 Rally Day, Ministries Fair, and Covenant Sunday - our Church School year and Confirmation Class will begin. After our morning service of worship, join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee hour and discover the many opportunities being offered at our church this year. Join us also for a hot dog picnic after the Ministries Fair.

Church School Corner - Church School classes are not held during the summer. However, childcare for ages infant through 6 years is available downstairs in Room 10. Our program begins again on September 12 followed by a hot dog picnic on the portico. 2010-2011 rotation themes include: Joseph in Egypt, The Prodigal Son, Follow the Star (Christmas), Zacchaeus, Easter Around the World, and Daniel. Our new Youth Group will include grades 4-6 and will meet once-a-month on Sunday evenings beginning in September. **JOIN THE FUN!!!**

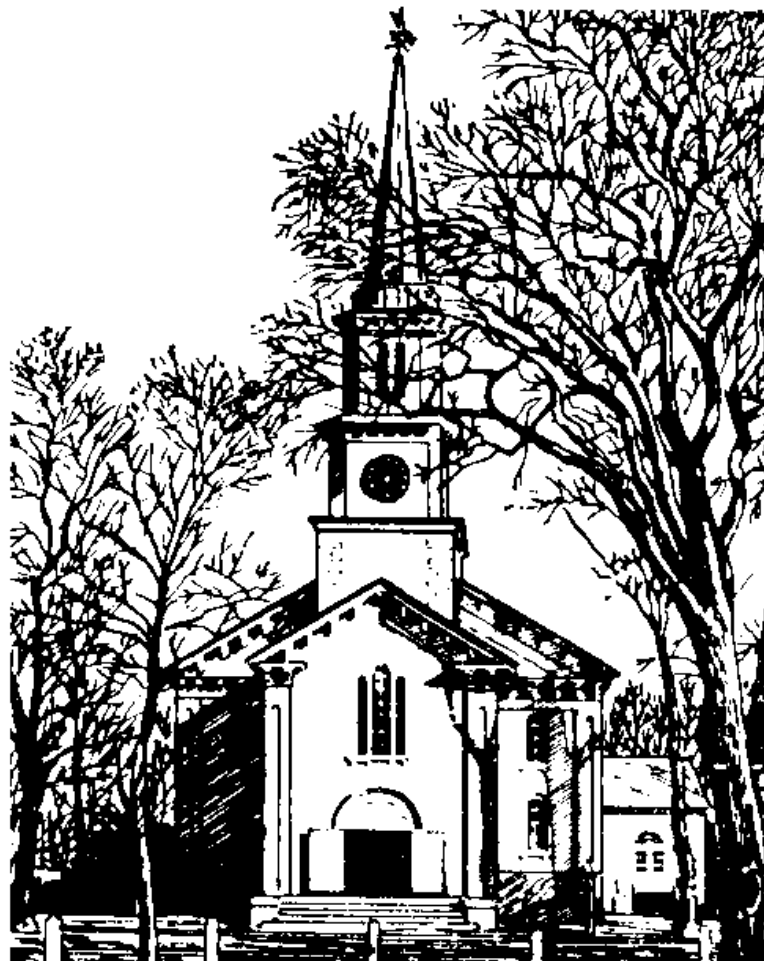
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Sunday, August 29, 2010
10:00 a.m.

Flowers on the altar-table are given by Bill & Marge Taylor in loving memory of his mother, Jean Grant Taylor.

Deacons of the Month are Nancy Hussey & John Honey.

It's My Church
- A timeless gathering place
- Acceptance for all
- Belonging means responsibility

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Music Committee is seeking to borrow two **dress forms**. If you have one (or two!) that we could use for one Sunday, please call Karin Bohr at 508-563-3940. Thank you!

There is an opening for **altar-table flowers** on Maritime Recognition Sunday, October 10. If you are interested, please contact Lynne Goslee at 508-540-1469.

Just in case you thought life wasn't moving fast enough, it's already time to start thinking about the church's **Christmas Fair** in December! September is the month when the **Christmas Decorations** craft group begins working to ensure that there are plenty of gorgeous, handmade goodies for folks to buy. They will meet on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and will begin on Monday, September 13.

For your information, the **little brown box** sitting outside the church office is for your use. If you have a concern for which you wish the Tuesday Morning Prayer Group to hold in prayer, please let us know by dropping a note in the box. All requests remain confidential unless otherwise indicated and you may submit your requests anonymously if you wish.

A-14 It Is Well with My Soul

1. When peace, like a riv - er, up - holds me each day,
2. Though e - vil should tempt me, though tri - als should come,
3. My sin, oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought!
4. O God, speed the day that is filled with your light,

when sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my
let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ has re -
My sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the
when clouds are rolled back as a scroll; the trum - pet shall

lot, you have taught me to say, "It is well, it is
gard - ed my help - less es - tate, and has paid life and
cross, and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the
sound, and the Lord shall ap - pear, e - ven so, it is

Refrain
well with my soul."
blood for my soul.
Lord, O my soul! It is well (It is well) with my soul, (with my soul),
well with my soul.

it is well, it is well with my soul.

WORDS: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873, alt.
MUSIC: Philip P. Bliss, 1876

VILLE DU HAVRE
11 8.11 9 w. refrain

In the midst of his grief and as an expression of his faith, Spafford wrote this hymn after he lost his four daughters on the Ville du Havre which sank in 1873. The tune is named for that ship.