

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We welcome all who are joining us in worship this morning. Nursery care is available throughout the service - please speak to an usher. Children and youth in Sunday School will leave the service after Communion. If you would like to share a prayer of joy or concern, we invite you to write them down on the podium outside the sanctuary entrances. During the *Moment of Greeting* we invite everyone to fill out the fellowship pad and pass the pad down your pew and back again.

Meditation: “I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.” C. S. Lewis

ORGAN PRELUDE *Andante* Zöllner
[We request that the chimes be the signal for a time of quiet meditation before the service]

A MOMENT OF GREETING

Passing of the Lord’s Peace

***CALL TO WORSHIP** based on Psalm 146
Happy are those whose hope is in God, maker of heaven and earth --

For God keeps faith forever!

God executes justice for the oppressed and gives food for the hungry.

God sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind.

God lifts up those who are bowed down.

God watches over the strangers and upholds the orphan and the widow.

People of God, sing praise to the One who is your help --

For God keeps faith forever!

***HYMN No. 27** *Now Thank We All Our God*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, you draw near to us in our joy and in our grief, in our hope and in our despair. When we are bowed down, you raise us anew. We turn to you now in search of your healing touch. We confess, O God, that the burdens which weigh us down also narrow our vision. We speak words that we regret and keep silent when we need to speak. Weariness and discouragement sap our energy and our faith. O God, please forgive me for my sins.

Forgive me for not always showing my love to my family. Forgive me for not always showing my love to my friends. Forgive me for not always showing my love to you. Good Lord, teach me to love like Jesus loved. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

[After this, Sunday School children may go to their classes.]

ANTHEM *The Apple Tree* Lee

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 7:1-10 NT 79

***HYMN No. 119** *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

SERMON “Speak the Word”

OFFERTORY

Invitation to Prayer

Anthem *Sing to the Lord a New Song* Courtney

*Doxology - No. 44

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSIVE CALL TO PRAYER No. A-4

[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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN No. 127** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

*BENEDICTION

***UNISON SUNG RESPONSE #345** *God Be With You*

***POSTLUDE** *Trilogy of Praise* arr. Thygerson

*Those who are able, please stand.

We welcome all who are joining us in worship this morning. We encourage those with name tags to wear them.

Childcare is available. Please speak with an usher.

Please turn off your cell phones.

Please note! Hearing-aid devices are available. Please speak to a Deacon.

Please join us for coffee hour in Fellowship Hall after our service.

Greeters are Kathie & Day Mount and Tom Stone.

Ushers are Carolyn Belmore, Wil Bindler-Desbiens, Rob Bowerman, Elyse DeGroot, Evelyn Johnson, and Bob McGowen.

Lay reader is Gail Densler.

Flowers on the altar-table are given by Mary & Art Baker in loving memory of his parents, Otis & Audrey Baker, and her parents, Jim & Helen Barnett.

Deacons of the Month are Joanne Blum-Carnevale and Ed Jackson. **Jr. Deacon** is Elisabeth Bowerman.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The first Sunday of each month has been designated by the Trustees as **Silver Box Sunday**, the box where we collect dues for the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ. We want to remind everyone that our church must pay \$20 for each full member we have, whether that member pledges or not. The Trustees are asking each member to contribute \$20 PER YEAR to offset the cost of their dues. Envelopes are provided in the pew racks and can be placed in the offering plate or in the “silver box” on the table just outside the church office. Thank you if you have given in 2013!

Don’t forget that we’re having a Car Wash today!!!!

From 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., the Sunday School will hold a car wash to benefit the Swift-Bodfish House (the Manse) Renovation Project. A suggested donation of \$5 will get you super-clean car and benefit our church at the same time! We ask that you enter from Main Street and exit onto Katharine Lee Bates to facilitate the flow of traffic.

Due to popular demand from the community, the Outreach Committee has voted to continue its 2nd and 4th Saturdays schedule for the **Children’s Clothing Project** through the entire summer. Therefore, we will need volunteers to staff these new dates. Please consider signing up on the clipboard on the Opportunity Table. Outreach also gives a big thank you to all those who supported the One Great Hour of Sharing offering in March; total, giving was very generous \$1,569.60.

Sunday School Corner

Children in grades 1-6 will meet in the lower lobby and join together for "One Room Sunday School." Today we'll wrap up our filming for the "lip dub" and make posters for the Car Wash. Infants-Kindergarten meet in Rooms 10 & 12. **New families are always welcome!**

Youth Group Meetings:

Sunday, June 9 - 4:20-6:00 p.m. Youth Group Banquet! Grades 4-12

Please mark your calendars!

Car Wash - Sunday, June 2, 12:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. Our Sunday School kids will help raise money for the Swift-Bodfish House Renovation Project (SBHRP). A donation of \$5 per car is suggested.

Parking Space Sale - Saturday, June 22 (time TBA) The Sunday School kids will help raise money for the SBHRP by selling our parking spaces during the *Arts Alive!* Festival.

Park Space Sale - Wednesday, July 10 - 9:30 - 2:00 The Sunday School kids will help raise money for youth activities by selling our parking spaces during the *Falmouth Street Fair*.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun., June 2	11:00 a.m.	Music Committee meeting
Tues., June 4	9:00 a.m.	Retired Men's Group
	10:00 a.m.	Friendly Circle
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Christian Education
Thurs., June 6	1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting
Sat., June 8	9:00 a.m.	Clean Up Day!!!!
	10:00 a.m.	Children's Clothing Project

NEXT SUNDAY

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Baptism**. Also, please join the Deacons in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service to recognize our dedicated staff for their excellent service to the church. We will serve a cake especially prepared for this occasion. We also have a few surprises for the staff.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, June 17	Summer Church Office Hours begin 9-12
Sunday, July 7	Summer Worship Service Schedule begins 9:00 a.m. (Through August 25)

Manse Minute #2

(Second in a series)

Unfortunately, Capt Bodfish's wife Deborah died in 1815 just a year after moving in to their new home and leaving behind three-year-old Mary and five-month-old William. For a sea captain who spent months away at sea, this was an exceedingly difficult situation so it is no surprise that Capt. Bodfish remarried in 1816 to Mary Crocker. After he interrupted a voyage to Bremen, Germany, they were married with the honeymoon consisting of picking up his new wife at her parents' home in Falmouth, taking the carriage once around the village green to her new home and then his departure shortly thereafter for his waiting ship. They subsequently had a daughter, Deborah, in 1820 and a son, Joseph, in 1823. But trouble had not ended for the family with Capt. Bodfish himself dying in July 1824 at age 35 from a fever contracted on his last voyage leaving his widow with 4 children aged two to 13.

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of Falmouth, Massachusetts of the United Church of Christ

Sunday, June 2, 2013

10:00 a.m.



We welcome newcomers and visitors to our church fellowship and hope you will come again. We invite you to fill out the Friendship pad located in your pew. Also, please join us for coffee hour in Fellowship Hall after our service.

REV. JONATHAN DRURY, Minister