

Westhampton Congregational United Church of Christ

an Open and Affirming Congregation

4th Sunday of Eastertide

May 8, 2022



Organ Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Organ Introit

Call to Worship – Psalm 67

One: God, be merciful to us and bless us.

Many: **Look on us with kindness,
that the whole world may know your will;
that all nations may know your salvation.**

One: May all the peoples praise You, God!
May all peoples praise You!

Many: **May the nations be glad and sing for joy,
because You judge the peoples with justice
and guide all the nations.**

One: May the peoples praise You, God!
May all the peoples praise you!

Many: **The land has produced its harvest.
God, our God has blessed us.
God has blessed us;
may all the people everywhere honor God.**

↑ Hymn *Let the Whole Creation Cry* #55 / Insert

↑ Unison Prayer of Invocation

I consider that what we suffer at this present time cannot be compared at all with the glory that is going to be revealed to us. All of creation waits with eager longing for God to reveal one's children. Faced with this, what can we say? If God is for us, who can be against us? God did not even keep back his own Son, but offered him for us all! God gave us the Son... will God not also freely give us all things? Who then can separate us from the love of Christ? Can trouble do it, or hardship, or persecution? Or hunger, or poverty, or danger, or death? No, in all these things we have complete victory through him who loved us!

↑ Lord's Prayer (whichever version you wish)

↑ Gloria #9

Anthem

Scripture Reading Proverbs 31:10-20 P. 753

↑ Hymn *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* NB #C-7 / Insert

Sermon **Let Us Celebrate All Mothers** Rev. Bob Loesch

Prayers

One: Lift up your hearts
Many: **We lift them up to God.**

Pastoral Prayer

Individual Prayers One: Loving and beloved God
Many: **Hear our prayer.**

Prayer List

Silence

♫ Response: *Hear our prayer O Lord, hear our prayer O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.*

Responding with our Pledges and Offerings

Offertory

↑ Hymn of Praise *We Praise Thee, O God* #40

↑ Prayer of Dedication

↑ Closing Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* #776 / Insert

↑ Benediction

↑ Passing of the Peace

↑ Cong. Response *God Be With You* #785

Organ Postlude

↑ *Indicates you are invited to stand if you are comfortable doing so*

Remember in Prayer...

Prayers of healing for...

DANIELLE Dennett, member
JAIMEE, friend of Ashleigh Norris
DAVE Laprade, brother-in-law of Marion & Charlotte
KIM Johnson, cousin of Stephen and Julie Holt
TAMMY Bailey, cousin of Kelly Challet
BETTY Hunt, cousin of Stephen and Julie Holt
JUSTIN Fuller, son of Bob and Deborah Fuller
ELLEN Gill, friend of Mikki and Buddy Nevins
TERRY Smith, cousin of Mikki Nevins
BOB Greene, member of the congregation
PHYLLIS Widelo, sister of Mark Thornhill
ELIZABETH Barcomb, friend of the community
TOM McGrath, brother-in-law of Wendy Blow
JEAN Braley, sister of Jackie Didier
AIMEE Gould, cousin of Stephen and Julie Holt
MEL Rodrigues, friend of Bob and Pat Miller
JENNIFER Sullivan, friend of Peter Gilbert
LUCILLE Dionne, mother of Bob Greene
MEGAN Kenary, friend of Mikki Nevins
BILL Bruneau, friend of the community
RUTH Bishop, member of the congregation
LUANNE Clark, member of the congregation
ELIZABETH Deffendall, friend of Sue Tracy Small
PETER Laurent, brother of Mary Barber
JUDEE Wayne, member of the congregation
JOANNE Brooks, member of the congregation
JUDY Herrell, friend of the community
TIM Geary, friend of the community



Welcome ... to the Westhampton Congregational United Church of Christ. We are an open and affirming church and we are happy you are here. We hope that you receive some blessing from our worship and fellowship this morning.

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Church Office Contact Info

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Worship Participants

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| Ministers - | People of the church |
| Guest Minister - | Rev. Bob Loesch |
| Organist - | Seth Clark |
| Greeters - | ↑ Bill and Janice Tracy |
| Greeters - | ↓ Wendy Blow |
| Lay Reader - | Sue Tracy Small |
| Coffee Hour - | Jean Webster |
| Flowers - | Audrey and Dave Antosz |
| Zoom tech- | Bob Miller |

This Week at the Church...

Mondays at 6:30pm- Cub Scouts (bi-weekly)
M/W/F/Sat - Food Pantry, see website for hours
Thursday at 7pm - Choir
Friday at 7pm - AA meeting

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 12 ★- Jon Couture, Nicholas Wermer
May 10 ♥- Cynthia and Al Hinckley

Let the Whole Creation Cry

Let the whole creation cry: Alleluia!
Glory to the Lord on high! Alleluia!
Heaven and earth, awake and sing: Alleluia!
God is God and therefore King! Alleluia!

Praise Him, all ye hosts above, Alleluia!
Ever bright and fair in love, Alleluia!
Sun and moon, lift up your voice, Alleluia!
Night and stars in God rejoice, Alleluia!

Warriors fighting for the Lord, Alleluia!
Prophets burning with His Word, Alleluia!
Those to whom the arts belong, Alleluia!
Add their voices to the song, Alleluia!

Men and women, young and old, Alleluia!
Raise the anthem manifold, Alleluia!
And let children's happy hearts, Alleluia!
In this worship bear their parts, Alleluia!

They lived not only in ages past,
there are hundreds of thousands still;
The world is bright with the joyous saints
Who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them a school, or in lanes, or at sea,
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;
For the saints of God are just folk like me,
And I mean to be one too.



I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

I sing a song of the saints of God,
patient and brave and true,
Who toiled and fought and lived and died
for the Lord they loved and knew
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,
and one was a shepherdess on the green:
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean,
God helping to be one too.

They love their Lord so dear, so dear,
And God's love made them strong;
And they followed the right for Jesus' sake
The whole of their good lives long.
And one was a soldier and one was a priest,
And one was slain by a fierce wild beast:
And there's not any reason, no, not the least,
Why I shouldn't be one too.

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of night.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child;
Friends on earth, and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For Thy Church that evermore lift-eth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For Thyself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given;
For that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven;
Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Mother's Day **Blanket Dedications**

Given in memory of...

Bertha Lyman by Shirley Raymond
Winifred B. Bishop by Ruth and Oliver Bishop
Myrle G. Nutt by Ruth and Oliver Bishop
Ted's sister Nancy Brooks Motyka and her granddaughter
Nicole Johnson by Ted and Joanne Brooks
Our mothers Blanche Brooks and Ella Clapp
by Ted and Joanne Brooks
Eva Howes by Mary Ellen Prince
Evelyn Payson by Marion Miller
Ruth Blow by Wendy Blow
Evelyn Payson by Charlotte Wood
Margaret Wood by Charlotte Wood
Mary Holt by Julie Holt
Freda Karshner by Ilene Lorow
Rachel Delisle by Dottie and Bob Burke
Lucy Inman by Janice and Bill Tracy
Evelyn Tracy by Bill and Janice Tracy
Alice Duncanson by Jean Webster
Thelma Webster by Jean Webster
Evelyn Tracy by Sue, Richie and Abby
Lucy Inman by Sue, Richie and Abby
Grandma Small and Grandma Carrington by Richie Small
Our mothers, Eleanor Miller and Ev Tracy by Bob and Pat Miller
May Bigelow and Ella Clapp by Kevin and Lorraine O'Keefe



Mother's Day **Blanket Dedications**

Given in honor of...

Patricia Pariseau by Ruth and Oliver Bishop
Charlene L. Cross by Ruth and Oliver Bishop
Jennifer Settle by Ruth and Oliver Bishop
Bonnie Paton and Patty Greene by Marion Miller
Wendy Blow by Lori Ingraham
Correne and Charlene by Charlotte Wood
Life-long friends, Joanne and Evelyn by Charlotte Wood
Ilene Lorow by Julie Holt
Tiffany Holt by Julie Holt
Julie Holt by Ilene Lorow
Ellie Scott by Sue and Tom Morton
Kate Johnson by Sue and Tom Morton
Janice Tracy by Sue, Richie and Abby
Roberta Small by Richie, Sue and Abby
Stacey Jenkins by Bob and Pat Miller
JoAnne Miller by Bob and Pat Miller
Roberta O'Keefe, step-mom of Kevin who turned 101 in February
by Kevin and Lorraine O'Keefe

