

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MONTAGUE,  
TRINITARIAN, MONTAGUE, MA  
SUMMER BULLETIN WITH COMMUNION 2015

MEDITATION: "Empower me to be a bold participant, rather than a timid saint in waiting, in the difficult ordinariness of now; *Ted Loder*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

L: We are called together this day to praise God.

**P: We ask that God will put us in pathways of service to others.**

L: The Lord will walk with us as we faithfully witness to Christ's love.

**P: Open our hearts, Lord, to receive your words and will.**

L: Come, let us worship God!

**P: Let us sing our praises to God our Redeemer and Healer.**

**AMEN.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (UNISON)

**Like the sun that is far away and yet close at hand to warm us, so God's Spirit is ever present and around us. Come Creator into our lives. We live and move and have our very being in you. Open now the windows of our souls. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF GATHERING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**God of grace, we live in a world that rewards the strong and violates the weak. Forgive us for the ways in which we have adopted the values of this world and trusted in human strength, only to be tripped up by our weakness. Teach us to welcome our weakness as opportunities to rest in your Spirit. We are so readily seduced by the power of words that when our own words fail us, we feel lost. In deceiving ourselves, we have failed a world**

**that desperately needs to know hope. Teach us to be still enough to find the powerful hope that lies in your love, shown to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Let go of your fears and doubts. God pours God's love on you, in you and through you to others. Be at peace. AMEN.

GLORIA PATRI: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

\*RESPONSIVE READING

\*SCRIPTURE LESSONS

\*COMMUNION MEDITATION

PRAYERS

Joys and Concerns

L: Let us join in prayer. The Lord be with you.

P: And with your spirit

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

Prayer Response

OFFERING

Invitation to Giving

Offertory Anthem

Doxology #514

Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Self

**Gracious and Generous God, we give you thanks and praise for the good gifts you see fit to give your children. Today we return a portion of those gifts and ask that you bless them and use them as you grow your kin-dom among us. We ask this in Christ's holy name. Amen.**

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN OF CLOSING

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE (TUNE OF AMAZING GRACE)

“Depart in peace to do God’s will, walk ever in the light. For Christ is with us evermore, to guide us day and night.”

POSTLUDE

**\*FOR THE SUMMER, AND IN THE INTEREST OF CONSERVATION, WE OFFER THIS GENERIC BULLETIN. PLEASE LOOK TO THE INSERT TO FIND THE SPECIFIC HYMN AND SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS, PRAYER GARDEN AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

YOU ARE WELCOME TO TAKE THE FULL BULLETIN WITH YOU IF YOU WISH TO KEEP IT. IF NOT, PLEASE LEAVE IT IN THE PEW OR IN THE NARTHEX AS YOU LEAVE SO WE MIGHT USE THEM AGAIN.

**THANK YOU FOR VISITING US THIS SUMMER. MAY YOU HAVE A BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL DAY!**

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