

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MONTAGUE,
TRINITARIAN, MONTAGUE, MA**

April 3, 2022 The 5th Sunday in Lent

Bold italics indicate the work of the people.

**Indicates places to stand if able to.*

The hymnal for today is the Red Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

The psalmist tells us if we will but wait,

God will whisper hope to us. Do you believe this?

*We believe God's word is not a pipe dream, but
the river of love that flows forever.*

Jesus calls us forth, so that we may walk in the light;

He calls us to unbind each other. Do you believe this?

We believe he is the One.

*** INVOCATION**

*You are merciful and just in the deliverance of your people, O God.
You draw us out of the depths of distress; you incline your ear as
we call on your name. Lay now your hand upon us and draw us out
by your Spirit, that we may sing praises to your name. Through
Jesus Christ, Amen*

***HYMN # 101** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Gracious God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot
free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and
deed; by what we have done and what we have left undone. We
have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our
neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us*

*and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your
ways, to the glory of your Holy Name. Amen*

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

In Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Scriptures

Psalm 130

Gospel:

John 1-3,17-44

SERMON

"The Raising of Lazarus"

HYMN # 234

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

PRAYERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

CHORAL ANTHEM

***DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures
here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son
and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

(sung to the tune of Old 100th)

COMMUNION w Lord's Prayer

(see insert)

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*With gratitude for all that you provide, dear God, and to the service
of the world you love so much, we dedicate these gifts and our lives
to you, in Jesus name. Amen*

***HYMN #348**

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

***BENEDICTION**

Response (To the 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Deacon for March is Beth Marshall
- Please join us downstairs for fellowship and refreshments after worship.

PRAYER GARDEN