

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MONTAGUE,
TRINITARIAN, MONTAGUE, MA
March 20, 2022 The 3rd 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

Ho, everyone who thirsts come to the waters.

You who have no money, come, buy and eat.

Our souls thirst for God in a dry and weary land.

Listen carefully to God and eat what is good;

delight yourselves in the rich food God provides.

We will be satisfied, our mouths praising God with joyful lips.

*** INVOCATION**

We come before you, O God, seeking what money cannot buy. Only you can provide nourishment for our souls. We call on you, believing that you are nearer to us than our next breath, more caring than we dare to imagine. Uphold us now, that we may worship on wings of joy!

***HYMN # 21** “We Gather Together”

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of all, you love us beyond compare and are faithful to us even when we turn away. You are patient and wise, caring and just. We admit that we are not worthy of your love for us or deserving of your good favor. We have ignored your will, treated others of your children with disdain, and failed to be grateful for your mercy and blessings. Forgive us once again. Restore us to a right relationship with you and with one another, in Christ’s name.

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

In Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Scriptures

Isaiah 55:1-9

Gospel:

Luke 13:1-9

SERMON

“Loving Patience”

HYMN # 353

“Lord, I Want to Be A Christian”

PRAYERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever Amen.

Prayer Response

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)

***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 # ???**

Your Pick

***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

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- The Deacon for March is Janet Andrews
- Please join us for fellowship and refreshments after worship.

PRAYER GARDEN