

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

October 17, 2021 Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost
Bold italics indicate the work of the people.

**Indicates places to stand if able to.*

The hymnal for today is the Black Hymnal

**PRELUDE
PROCESSIONAL
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

God of creation, we come to praise and worship you.

***You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light,
As with a garment.***

*You stretch out the heavens like a tent, making the clouds
your chariot, riding on the wings of the wind.*

***You set the earth on it's foundations, hiding its depths with
a watery cloak that moves in the rhythm of your breath.***

*In your wisdom, you have made us in your image, showing us
glimpses of glory in the work of your hands.*

God of life and love, we come to worship and praise you.

(Based on Psalm 104)

INVOCATION

***Holy God, we thank you that you receive us not according to our
failing goodness, but according to your overflowing grace. You
receive us as we are and show us what we can be. Sweep over us
with your Holy Spirit, change us with your love, that we may sing
with joy before you and live to your glory in the world. Through
Jesus Christ, Amen.***

***HYMN # 565 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"**

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***God of love and compassion, you call us to share in Christ's cup of
compassion for the healing of the world. Like Job, we complain
about the unfairness of the world. Like James and John, we want
to win at the game of power and glory. Forgive us when we forget
that we are not the center of your great creation and that you are
the beginning and end of all things.***

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*Sisters and Brothers in faith, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!*

***A Gloria**

***From all that dwell below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise!
Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Let the Redeemer's name be sung,
Let god the Spirit loose each tongue!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Job 38:1-7, 42:1-6. Mark 10:35-45

SERMON "You Understand it All, Do You?"

HYMN #488 "Be Still My Soul"

PRAYERS

Joys and Concerns (Joys are followed by Concerns)

Prayers of Intercession

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 #12** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

***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 October is Mark Fisk.
- Please stay in the sanctuary briefly after worship for a paper ballot vote.
- Sunday, October 31 "All Saints Sunday" Remembrance of our Saints
(Add names on the sign up at the front door).
- Council Meeting this morning after Coffee Hour.
- Rev. Koyama's office hours are Tuesday am. Call ahead 808-282-6711.