

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

Sept 4, 2022 13th 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Today is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Let us be glad this day,
for life, for breath and for freedom of worship.**

Blessed are you, who come in the name of the Lord.

**We come to offer our gifts of praise and gratitude
to the God of all Creation!**

*** UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Almighty God, Pour out the transforming power of your Holy Spirit upon our fellowship, shake us free of all harmful complacency and mold us to your redeeming purpose. Through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***HYMN #495** “Called as Partner’s in Christ’s Service”

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

On this Labor Day Weekend, O God, we confess that we are more prone to enjoy the benefits of community than to contribute. Mold us and shape us, in order that our greater desire may be to serve, as did the Christ, who showed us the way to life.

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

My friends, in Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

***A Gloria**

From all that dwells 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!

CHORAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Scriptures

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Epistle

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

SERMON

“The Potter’s Vessel”

HYMN #283

“Spirit of the Living God” (sing twice)

PRAYERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Intercession

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response

***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

COMMUNION

(see insert)

***HYMN #383** “Come Let Us Join With Faithful Souls”

***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 September is LuAnn Herrick
- Join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service.
- Office Hours are Tuesdays from 9:30-12:00 noon. To set up a time to come in or request a visit call 808-282-6711. (no reason necessary).

PRAYER GARDEN