

Sunday, April 3, 2022

Old South Church, United Church of Christ, Hallowell, Maine

Hybrid Worship (In person in the Sanctuary)

10:00

In person Greeters: Galen

Zoom Greeter: Don R and Kathy G

Worship Assistant: Cynthia

5th Sunday of Lent

Lenten Theme: The Women Around Jesus

Today's Focus: The Woman at the Well

Announcements:

1. **We welcome Chris Asch today, Executive Director of the Capital Area New Mainers Project.** During the mission moment, Chris will offer a brief overview of the work and mission of CANMP. Then, at 11:30, we will host an information session with him. Here's the link for the 11:30 session:
 Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86858264779?pwd=dUVZYUVCdXQ0bCtZWUVYa2NTaVpYUT09>
 Meeting ID: 868 5826 4779
 Passcode: 673973
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2. COMMUNION--- It's a communion Sunday. If you are joining us on Zoom, please have elements ready.
3. HOLY WEEK SPECIAL SERVICES
 Maundy Thursday—hybrid service; in person at the Winthrop UCC Church, 10 Bowdoin St., 7:00pm
 Good Friday—hybrid service; in person here at Old South, 6:00pm
 Zoom links will be sent out next week.
4. Bread of Life Dinner Delivery is Tuesday at 4:30. The slots are full! Thanks!
5. Worship Team is meeting Wed at 4:30. Zoom link:
 Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82656409465?pwd=NXVNM1l3dytWbzBmWUQ2TGM3bnFJZz09>
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6. Bible Bunch meets on Tuesday at Noon
 Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86876745098?pwd=ajl2SEpDeWR5alpGWE10eFREQXI2Zz09>
 Meeting ID: 868 7674 5098
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 Topic: Anointing of Jesus' Feet, Mark 14:3-9

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude *Sweet Hour of Prayer* (William Bradbury / C. E. Walk)

Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord's Prayer Bonnie

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Special Music "Here, O My Lord" (arr. William Bay) Cynthia McGuire, clarinet; Bradley Krueger, piano

Scripture & Story: John 4

Hymn "When, like the Woman at the Well. NCH #196

1 When, like the woman at the well, I lived with broken dreams,
 Christ came to me, good news to tell, of ever-living streams.

2 Christ knew my heart, my wayward ways, yet gave me hope, not fear.
 The God I once thought far away, I could approach, draw near.

3 I learned I could forever live and worship God aright,
 Could trust the power the spirit gives to guide me in truth's light.

4 Each day I lift my cup above, and I again receive
 The living water of God's love, revealed for my belief.

5 Since now I am in grace immersed, set free, forgiven whole,
 I share with those who are athirst the well-springs of my soul!

Mission Moment Christine introduces Chris Asch

Offering

Offertory: *Saviour More Than Life to Me* (William Doane / Stan Pethel)

Communion

INVITATION

THE STORY

COMMUNION PRAYER and WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Leader: Let us pray:

Creator God, we thank you for this creation in which we dwell, how the light came out of darkness, for the division of the waters and dry land.

All: We thank you for creating us in your image, to live connected with love, for the gift of life, speech, and movement and freedom to live in Your Way.

Leader: Moses revealed your vision in commandments. Your prophets unleashed cries for justice.

All: Through long generations we have ebbed and flowed with suffering and sorrow, healing and renewal. In the most beautiful and oppressive of times, You still called us beloved.

Leader: You are full of wonder and awe, O God. Your ways are just and prophetic.

With all of creation in all times and places, with our brothers and sisters around your planet we offer our praise to You. Holy God, Creator of milk and honey, of wheat and grapes, this table has over time been a symbol of restoration and community, a call to remembrance. Draw us into thanksgiving for the gift of receiving your holy welcome. As we consume the bread and cup of community, root us firmly in your vision of justice, intended for Your One Body. May we be renewed in our commitment to share such welcome and hospitality with all who live and breathe on your planet.

All: As we drink the cup and consume the bread, may your Spirit be with us, enlivening us with courage and hope to join together in the sacred work of being your people.

[For those at home, please hold your communion elements.]

Bless us, therefore, by your Holy Spirit that as we receive this bread and this cup we may offer you our faith and our praise, we may be united with Christ and with one another, and may continue faithful in all things.

Leader: In the strength Christ gives us, we offer ourselves to you, eternal God, and give thanks that you have called us to serve you. Amen

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

Music: *Let Us Break Bread Together* (Spiritual / arr. Tim Doran)

Prayer

Response

Blessing

Postlude *Forty Days and Forty Nights* (Martin Herbst / James Mansfield)

Fellowship