Phippsburg Congregational Church, UCC

Open and Affirming: All are Welcome Here!

October 14, 2018: Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!

* indicates times when you're invited to rise in body or spirit

Gathering Music & The Ringing of the Church Bell Greetings and Announcements
Centering Prayer

Prelude and Lighting of the Altar Lights

Air J.S. Bach

Call to Worship:

Come, you who seek wisdom. Come, seekers of God

On a whim, on the road, on edge, on our knees.

Come, bring all you have,

Full hearts, empty pockets, treasure and rags,

Swords and plowshares, aches, acres, angers...

In trouble or triumph, we gather to seek and sing!

*Opening Hymn: "O Day of God, Draw Nigh" Pilgrim Hymnal #444

Gathering Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Source of Wisdom, every day gives us choices to make. Every hour invites our integrity. Yet we gather today for a deciding time, in a season of discernment. We know how the world defines wealth, power, and success--and we know, Holy One, that you love the world enough to change it. Wake us, shake us, and remake us, so that we can more fully follow you. With Jesus, we pray:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end! Amen, Amen!

Hebrew Scripture Reading: Psalm 22: 1-11 KJV436 /CEB424 /MSG705

Time for All God's Children

*Hymn: O God, Why are you Silent? Insert

Pastoral Prayer: May the Lord be with you

And also with you Lift up your hearts

We lift them up unto the Lord Let us give thanks to the Lord

It is right to give God thanks and praise!

Offertory: *The Master Hath Come* Tune: Ash Grove

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Praise God, all creatures here below Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

New Testament Readings: Mark 10:17-31 KJV741 /CEB771 /MSG1392

Hebrews 4:12-16 KJV885 / CEB915 / MSG1657

Message: "Swords and Earthworms" Rev. Holly S. Morrison

*Closing Hymn: Take My Life and Let it Be Pilgrim Hymnal #404

*Benediction

Extinguishing the Altar Lights: Take the Light of Christ into the world!

Postlude: Thou Prince of Peace, Lord Jesus Christ J.S. Bach

Thanks to today's service participants:

Organist: Sharon Bond Lay Reader: Kasi McGraw Head/Assistant Deacons: Laurie Simpson/ Berenice Knight & Julie Peacock Copyrighted material used with permission: CCLI License #1674439

Welcome to the Phippsburg Congregational Church! Please sign our guest book in the narthex and stay for refreshments and fellowship in the Linden Tree Meeting House following the service. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Need a Large-print bulletin, bible, or hearing-assist device? Please ask one of our deacons for these.

CALENDAR

Sun. 10/14 Worship 10 AM

After Worship: Congregational Mtg Re: 2019 Budget,

Potluck Lunch

Retirement Service for Rev. Baughcum, Days Ferry, 2 PM

Tues. 10/16 Budget & Finance Mtg, 10 AM

Vocal Choir Practice, 6 PM

Thurs. 10/18 Tai Chi, 10-11 AM

Fri. 10/19 Book Group 12-2 PM—Braiding Sweetgrass

Sun. 10/21 Worship 10 AM

Fri-Sat 10/26-27 Maine Conference Annual Meeting, Saco UCC

PASTOR'S HOURS FOR 10/15-10/21: Mon: Work from Home / Tue: Office 12-3, Mtg 3-5 / Wed: Day Off / Thurs: Office 1-5 / Friday: Book Group 12-2, Office 2-6 / Sat: Work from Home. Holly can be reached by phone or email as needed: (207)504-0107 / revcelt@gmail.com

WARM HEARTS, WARM HANDS: We are gathering warm winter clothing for our New Mainer neighbors. Please bring new or gently-used hats, coats, boots, sweaters, scarves, and gloves/mittens for ages 12-adult to the Meeting House, to help our new arrivals face their first Maine winter!

BOOK GROUP: <u>BRAIDING SWEETGRASS</u>, Robin Wall Kimmerer This award-winning book has been called, "a hymn of love to the world." This week, we'll be discussing the essays, "A Mother's Work" and "The Consolation of Water Lilies." Friday, 12-2 PM, Linden Tree Meeting House



We honor and respect those who have gone before, lighting the candles of our faith and opening the doors of our beloved church in welcome to all who enter. We acknowledge and accept our responsibility to be good stewards of this church and faith community. We believe Jesus fully revealed our living God's unconditional love and calls us to share that love with all so that we may help transform the world and ourselves.

We value community and celebrate those distinct gifts

we each bring to our community.

We strive to actively practice generosity, hospitality, and stewardship of all of God's creation.

And in all things we seek the Righteousness, Justice, and Peace that is God's Shalom on earth as it is in heaven.

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