

Phippsburg Congregational Church, UCC
Open and Affirming: All are Welcome Here!
February 3, 2019: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
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

Theme from "Finlandia"

Jean Sibelius

Call to Worship (from Jeremiah 1:4-10)

Before you were formed, God says, "I knew you"

Blessed before we were born, given great work to do!

But I told God, "I'm too young! Too old! Too much trouble! A fool!"

And God sent us paths to walk on, and words to share:

To inspire our youth, to empower our age,

To make trouble for a good cause, to be holy fools for God!

Reception of New Members (see insert)

***Hymn:** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Pilgrim Hymnal 228

Prayer of Confession:

God of Power and Presence, we offer You our edges. We lay before You our failings—the times we mistake twinges of pity for full-hearted compassion, the times we mistake vengeance for justice, or tolerance for love. Forgive us and guide our endeavors, that we may refrain from pushing others to the edge. Help us, instead, to trust You, and offer You our hearts.

Words of Assurance

The 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 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!

Lectionary Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 KJV /CEB /MSG

Time for All God's Children

***Hymn:** Immortal Love, Forever Full

Pilgrim Hymnal 230

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: "I Love to tell the Story"

William G. Fischer

***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

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:21-30

KJV /CEB /MSG

Message: "Cliffhanger"

Rev. Holly S. Morrison

The Sacrament of Communion (our table is open to all, regardless of belief or background. A GF option is in the cup on each bread plate.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Closing Hymn:** In The Midst of New Dimensions (vs 1-4) Hymn Binder

***Benediction**

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

Postlude: "Recessional in C"

Josef Haydn

Thanks to today's service participants:

Organist: Sharon Bond Lay Reader: Bill Haggett

Head/Assistant Deacons: Brad Hart / George Langbehn & Sandra Stetson

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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 2/3 Worship 10 AM
Annual Mtg after Church Worship

Tues 2/5 Choir Practice begins, 6:00 PM

Thurs 2/7 Tai Chi, 10-11 AM

Sun 2/10 Worship 10 AM
CONCERT: VoXX (Voice of Twenty), 2:00 PM
1:30 PM Pre-concert talk

PASTOR'S HOURS FOR 2/3-2/9: Mon: Day off / Tues: Office 11-3 PM / Wed: Office/Visits by appt / Thurs: Office 11-5 PM / Fri & Sat: Work from home
Holly can be reached as needed: (207)504-0107 / revcelt@gmail.com

Amanda's Hours: Tues & Thurs 10-3 PM

SERMON REPLAY AVAILABLE ON CHURCH WEBSITE! Missed a week, or just want to hear the sermon again? Visit www.phippsburgucc.org/sermons.

THANKS FOR JAMMING! To all who brought in jars of PB & Jam during Januarymany thanks!! We collected 17 pounds of peanut butter and 25 pounds of jam & jelly (collectively 61). This will help many families and households in our neighborhoods. Thank you again, Sandy Stenquist

CHOIR PRACTICE BEGINS AGAIN

Please join us as choir practice begins again this Tuesday, February 5th, at 6:00 PM. Thanks, Sharon Bond

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



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