

Phippsburg Congregational Church, UCC

Open and Affirming: All are Welcome Here!

August 26, 2018: Fourteenth 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

Melodie

T.M. Pattison

Call to Worship: (from Psalm 84)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts!

My soul longs for this place. My heart sings to the living God!

Even sparrows and swallows fly here to nest, adding their songs in praise!

Happy are those who live in your house, their strength is in you.

From strength to strength they go, guided in prayer.

Rather than live in the splendor of wickedness,

I'll be doorkeeper in the house of my God!

***Opening Hymn:** Source & Sovereign, Rock & Cloud

Insert

Gathering Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Abiding God, you are present in every place—on roads and rivers, in mobile homes and grand estates, mountain peaks and prisons. Yet we come here, as pilgrims, hoping for some holy thing to happen in this set-aside space. Thank you for understanding the efforts we make, and the structures that help us hear you!

Make your presence known, O God: in candlelight and chorus, in pew and pulpit, and every place we go beyond these walls. Clothe us with your grace and help us travel with your mercy. We pray with Jesus: 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: 1 Kings 8:6, 10-11, 22-27

KJV281 /CEB268 /MSG435

Time for All God's Children

***Hymn:** Be Thou My Vision

Pilgrim Hymnal #391

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: *Melody for Flute*

D. Paxton

***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 Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 KJV866 /CEB895 /MSG1618

Message

Rev. Holly S. Morrison

***Closing Hymn:** He Who Would Valiant Be

Pilgrim Hymnal #371

***Benediction**

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

Postlude: *Andante*

G.F. Handel

Thanks to today's service participants:

Organist: Wm. S. Gilman Lay Reader: Kathy Totten

Head/Assistant Deacons: Kathy Totten / Sandy Stenquist & Mare Hartman

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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. 8/26 *Worship 9 AM*
Sun. 9/2 *Worship 10 AM*
Fri. 9/7 *Committee 2019 Budgets Due*
Sun. 9/9 *3rd Annual "Pastor's Pasture Picnic" 3-6 PM*
Tues. 9/11 *Deacon's Mtg, Lighting options walk-thru, 7 PM*
Wed. 9/12 *Budget & Finance Mtg, 10 AM*

PASTOR'S HOURS FOR 8/26-9/1:

Mon: day off / Tue: Working from home / Wed: Meetings 1-4 PM /

Thurs: On the road / Fri: Office 10-5 / Sat: Office/Wedding

Holly can be reached by phone or email as needed: (207)504-0107 / revcelt@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED: Could you give one hour, one Sunday a month? We need 3 more teachers to make for a strong rotation. Full curriculum provided. Male teachers especially needed. Please contact Holly if you can!

SEPTEMBER BOOK GROUP: BRAIDING SWEETGRASS, Robin W. Kimmerer

This award-winning book has been called, "a hymn of love to the world." (Please indicate your preferred meeting time on sign-up sheet on LTMH kiosk.)

A WORD OF THANKS A special Thank You to Brad Hart and Laurie Simpson for all your efforts to coordinate the boat ride on the Kennebec.



WORSHIP TIME CHANGE Please note the time change of Sunday Service – Next Sunday, Sept 2nd begins our 10:00 AM Worship start time!

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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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