

# Welcome to Worship

**W**e believe that all people are blessed and loved equally by God. Following the teachings of Jesus we heartily welcome everyone into God's covenantal community. Whatever your race, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic or marital status, variety of thoughts and beliefs, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression - whoever you are and wherever you come from you are welcome into the full life and ministry of our church.



## Barrington Congregational Church, United Church of Christ

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Order of Morning Worship

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

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*We gather in worship this morning with joy and reverence in our hearts and a sincere welcome to all. Please remember that some will greet neighbors while others come quietly to prayerfully seek God.*



The service is also being livestreamed to be watched online by those unable to join us in person.



### WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

Matthew Marion

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively, please*)

Dale: God gives us one day at a time:

**All: Long enough for laughter to follow any tears;**

Racquel: Deep enough for prayer and silence to dance together;

**All: Time enough to help someone in need;**

Dale: Plenty of time to notice beauty and praise the Maker;

**All: Sufficient time to build a bridge for forgiveness or tear down a wall of resentment;**

Racquel: The right time to embrace friends, smile at strangers, play with children, sing praise to God.

**All: Praise God for this day we are give**

\*HYMN PH # 7

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*GLORIA

**Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three-in-One;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

\*HYMN NCH # 391

*In the Midst of New Dimensions*

*(Children and teachers may depart for classes during the singing of this hymn.)*

PRAYERS

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MORNING PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

(New Testament p. 166)

REFLECTION

*Of the same mind and purpose?*

Rev. Dale Azevedo

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

CHORAL ANTHEM

*The Gift of Love*

arr. Hopson

\*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.**

\*PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION

OUR COMMUNITY GOES OUT TO SERVE GOD

\*HYMN NCH # 500

*We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder*

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*Go In Love*

**Go in love, have no fear. God will guide you, God is always near.**

**Go in love, take God's hand, God will hear you and will understand.**

**May God's light forever shine upon you, may full peace be always in your heart.**

**Go in love, face each day, God will lead you and will show the way.**

**Go in love and live in faith.**

POSTLUDE

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

*Please freely change the wording of any part of this service to more inclusive language.  
Our purpose is to worship God in wholeness.*

About our hymns: Those designated "PH" are from the *Pilgrim Hymnal* (blue);  
those designated "NCH" are from *The New Century Hymnal* (black).

Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Devices are available from the Ushers.



TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS:

One arrangement has been given by Betty Vohr, Tom Gidley, and family  
in memory of their beloved son and brother who left them way too soon.

The other arrangement has been given by Seth Forman  
in honor of his and Wendy's 13<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



Ushers: Jay Buckley, Phyllis Buckley, Tom Strolla, Helen MacDonald

Worship Tech Support: Tom Colby, Kim Colby

TO OUR VISITORS: We especially welcome those who are visiting with us today. We are pleased to have you among us and invite you to fill out a Visitor Response Card found in the pew rack. Welcome Folders are available for pick up from the racks in the stairwells. We hope that you will come back and worship with us again.

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