

Welcome to Worship

We 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

Order of Morning Worship

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 12th, 2023

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

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively, please*)

Racquel Praise God!

All: Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in the Mighty Firmament!

Dale: Praise God for God's Mighty Deeds

All: Praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!

Racquel: Praise God with trumpet sound

All: Praise God with lute and harp!

Dale: Praise God with tambourine and dance;

All: Praise God with strings and pipe!

Racquel: Praise God with clanging cymbals
All: Praise God with loud clashing cymbals!
Dale: Let everything that breathes praise God!
All: Praise! God!

*HYMN PH # 13

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him

*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.

* KYRIE NCH # 751 (*'Kyrie Eleison' is Greek for 'Lord have mercy'.*)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

*HYMN NCH # 17

To You, O God, All Creatures Sing

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

Psalm 148

(Hebrew Scriptures p. 582)

REFLECTION

Five Types of Prayer: Adoration

Rev. Racquel Ray

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

BRINGING OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

CHORAL ANTHEM

Give Me Jesus

arr. Schram

*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 # 22 verses 1-3

Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Verse 4*

**Sing praise, my soul, the great name of your high God commending.
All that have life and breath join you, their notes sweetly blending.
God is your light! Soul, ever keep this in sight: amen, amen never ending.**

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 in loving memory of Kathleen Lynne Fodor
by Mom, Dad, Kim and Alison.

The other arrangement has been given by Fred Rocco
in memory of his good friend Linda Schofield



Ushers: Tom Strolla, Liz Wiedenhofer, Jay Buckley, Phyllis Buckley

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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