

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 17th Sunday after Pentecost October 2nd, 2022

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 being livestreamed to be watched online by those unable to join us in person.



WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

Marina Zabinksi

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively, please*)

Dale: People of God, look about and see the faces of those we know and love -
People: neighbors and friends, sisters and brothers - a community of kindred hearts.

Racquel: People of God, look about and see the faces of those we hardly know -
People: strangers, sojourners, forgotten friends, the ones who need an outstretched hand.

Dale: People of God, look about and see all the images of God assembled here.
People: In me, in you, in each of us, God's spirit shines for all to see.

Racquel: People of God, come.

All: Let us worship together.

*HYMN NCH # 495

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

We come to you again, accepting God, admitting that we have fallen short and seeking to give our good intentions another try. We confess that we have squandered our time instead of having meaningful interaction with the children in our lives. We regret that we have neglected our lonely neighbor, our elderly church member, our homebound acquaintance. We are sorry for the times we have spoken in anger or impatience when a listening ear or kind word would have helped instead of hindered. In these moments of silent stillness, we offer our private confessions for those things which weigh down on our hearts and minds. (*Silence.*) Unburdened now, we pledge before God to make our intention a reality as we travel this road of faith and growth.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*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

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Communion will be served using prepackaged communion elements of gluten free bread and juice. The congregation should remain seated and the Deacons will bring it to you.)

COMMUNION PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts and give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

SHARING THE MEAL

*HYMN NCH #541

They Asked, "Who's My Neighbor?"

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 13:8-10

(New Testament p.162)

REFLECTION

God's Call: Love Neighbor

Rev. Dale Azevedo

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

BCCUCC MISSION STATEMENT (*in unison*)

The Barrington Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, is a Christian community that worships God, embraces all people, ministers to one another, works for justice and peace, and renders loving service to God's world.

PRAYERS

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

CHORAL ANTHEM *Come to the Table of the Lord* Albrecht/Althouse

*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.**

*PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION

OUR COMMUNITY GOES OUT TO SERVE GOD

*HYMN (see insert) Verses 1 - 3 *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Verse 4 of hymn*

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:

Today's arrangements have been given by Barbara Lee in loving memory of
both her mother, Sally and her father, Jim's birthdays.



Ushers: Bethia Rosner, Phyllis Buckley, Joe Judge, Helen MacDonald

Deacons: Nancy Arena, Carol Strakosch, Jeff Stumpff, Jane Tonn

Worship Tech Support: Tom and 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.

Ministers to the World: All the Congregation Office Administrator: Christine Wallis
Senior Minister: The Rev. Dr. Dale Azevedo Financial Secretary: Patricia Stoddard
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Organist/Choir Director: Marina Zabinski Custodians: Jay Buckley
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