



The Haydenville Congregational Church

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*As you prepare for worship, you are invited to
light a prayer candle or write down a Joy or
Concern. Please silence your cell phone.*

May 7, 2017 • 10:00 am Communion Sunday

Prelude Jeff Olmsted

Welcome Bev Orluske and Pastor Chris

Gathering Hymn* "What Is This Place" Chalice Hymnal #289

Prayer of Confession Francis McKane

Leader: Merciful and Loving God, we ask forgiveness because our consciousness of you is dimmed by everyday desires and needs.

People: Raise our consciousness of you, O God.

Leader: We forget that we are a reflection of your image. We act as though you are a Sunday-only event.

People: Increase our mindfulness of you, O God.

Leader: Help us to a greater common awareness of your deep mystery and infinite presence.

People: Rouse our awareness of you, God.

Leader: Open our eyes from surface focus to depth perception. Turn our heads from shallow concerns to eternal truths.

People: Awaken us from faint-heartedness, O God.

Leader: Forgive us for our narrow and selfish ways. Save us from cheap grace with your amazing grace.

All: Forgive us, O God. We ask in Jesus' precious name. Amen.

Silent Confession
Assurance of Pardon Pastor Chris

Anthem "My Shepherd, You Supply My Need" By Isaac Watts; Southern Harmony

Offering Our Beloved Community

Circle Song^ "Unless love builds the house, they that build it labor in vain."

Doxology* **Traditional:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.
Inclusive: 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.

Singing the Children to Children's Church^ "They shall run and not grow weary. They shall walk and not faint."

Scripture Reading Lisa Hall

Psalm 23 **One Voice:** For the word of God in Scripture, for the word of God among us,
Acts 2:42-47 **for the word of God within us,**
All Voices: Thanks be to God.

Sung Response* "Gloria Patri" Chalice Hymnal #35, (feel free to change words to be more inclusive)

Sermon "Enough" Pastor Chris

Sacrament of Communion Pastor Chris and Laine Wilder

This is God's open table and everyone is invited to share in Communion. Please come forward to receive a piece of conventional or gluten-free bread, dip it into the chalice of grape juice and eat. Please signal a Deacon if you need Communion brought to you in the pew.

Prayers of the People Pastor Chris

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*please use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with*)

Our Mother/Father/Creator 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Sung Response "Thank You, Lord" Chalice Hymnal #531

News of the Community Doug Renick

Sending Hymn* "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" Chalice Hymnal #560

Benediction* Pastor Chris

Postlude Jeff Olmsted

Our Worship is Over - Now our Service Begins

** Please rise if you are comfortable doing so.*

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

~ New Revised Standard Version

The Prayer of Confession comes from a liturgy written by Rev. Marilyn Kennedy Levine for UCC Worship Ways.

Church Leadership: Ministers *All of us* • Rev. Chris Mereschuk *Acting Pastor* • Rev. Lindsey Peterson *Transitional Director of Children's Church* • Jeff Olmsted *Minister of Music* • Kathy O'Connor *Sexton* • Alison Wight *Office Administrator* • Rev. Yohah Ralph *Minister of Outreach, Advocacy, and Pastoral Care* • Francis McKane *Mount Holyoke College Intern* • Rev. Dr. Peter Ives *Theologian-in-Residence* • Sam Icklan *Church Moderator* • Toby Davis *Church Vice Moderator* • Jo Cannon *Treasurer* • Nancy Winninger *Clerk* • Jim Foudy *Human Resources Coordinator* • Carolyn du Bois and Shirley Sicurello *Co-Chairs, Diaconate* • Karin McGowan *Chair, Trustees* • Laurie Priest and Ann Loomis *Co-Head Greeters* • Cindy Dolgoff *Head Usher* • Anne Pratt *Scripture Reader Coordinator* • Sue Carbin *Church Scheduler; Chair, Building Committee* • Andrew Geery *Chair, Children's and Family Ministries* • Doug Renick *Chair, Peace and Justice Steering Committee* • Jim Foudy *Human Resources Coordinator* • Nancy Winninger and Beverlee Orluske *Angel Hearts* • Jackie Cloonan *Coordinator, Snow Angels and Green Angels* • Nancy Winninger *Coordinator, Angel Wings* • Linda Ziegenbein *Coordinator, Interfaith Cot Shelter Meal* • Shirley Sicurello *Chair, Welcome Ministry* • Laura Garcia *Webmaster*
