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The Congregational Church of Plainville serves the community in the Spirit of Christ.



# The Order of Morning Worship Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025 10 A.M.

May you receive God's comfort, insight & inspiration through worship, prayer & song.

\* please stand in body and/or spirit

WORSHIP BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MUSIC Cantablie Flor Peeters

**OPENING PRAYER** 

## THE 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 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.

\*OPENING HYMN There's a Spirit in the Air (vs. 1,4-6) NCH #294

ANTHEM I Will Exalt You, O My Lord (Psalm 30)

Aaron David Miller

MESSAGE OF CHRISTIAN CONCERN Ellen Binder

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE \*the children depart to their classroom\*

JOYS, SORROWS OR CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/PASTORAL PRAYER

\*HYMN I Need You Every Hour NCH #517

GOSPEL READING John 10:22-30

MINDFUL MINUTE

PASTOR'S MEDITATION Thanks for the Music, Mom

\*HYMN How Can I Say Thanks NCH #14

\*INVITATION TO GIVE

# \*PRAYER OF GRATITUDE (in unison)

Collective Creator we thank you for the gifts of the people - from our ancestors to our elders to those who have still yet to come, we share what we have so that all can flourish and follow you. Amen.

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all Creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## MINDFUL COMMUNION

I breathe in the selflessness of Christ I breathe out the compassion of Christ

**CLOSING WORDS** 

PREPARING FOR THE WEEK Thine Is the Glory

George Frideric Handel, arr. Edwin Childs

Please Join Us for Coffee Hour in Kelsey Hall after Worship

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship at Panera, Bristol

7:00 p.m. Jesus-Talk @ C.C.P.

Thursday 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

# Today's GCT Member in Charge:

In our Prayers this week, we remember: Russ Drachenberg, Marilyn Borry, Bill (Sue Piercy's brother), Nicholas Collins, Bill Collins (Nicholas Collins's father), Savannah Cote, Bev (Holly Glenzer Erickson's mom), Wally Smykla (Robin Anderson's son), Louis Scott (Beth Fraychak's sister-in-law), Makenna Mattesi & family, Jay Piercy & Frank Piercy (Sue Piercy's sons), Tyler (Cheryl Cone's cousin), Peggy, The Landini Family, Edith (Rev. Don Erickson's grandniece), First Responders, Sharon Erickson (Rev. Don's mother), Joie-Marie Mazurek, Melissa Mazurek, Jocelyn Michaud, Stormi Morrison (Donna Zapatka's cousin), Claranne Parker, Sue Piercy, Gabriel Smykla, Bobbi Turcotte, Linda Valeri

The families and friends of: Maddie, Jack Landini, Ronald McCray, Tom Heslin (Donna Zapatka's cousin)

Members and friends serving in the military: Noah Westkott, Jason Guglietta, Bryant J. Cruz, Aiden, Jadyn, Isaiah, Rayne, Thomas Heslin, Beth Smith, Mark Joseloff, Adam Smith, Spencer Pelletier, James Palmer, Mark Terrill, Ryan Steikers, Shawn Ellis

For peace, wisdom, and compassion in our communities, state, nation, and world and in the leaders therein.

The Rev. Don Erickson, Senior Minister

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#### READERS NEEDED

Rev. Don is in search of volunteers to read the announcements and scripture readings on Sunday mornings. If you would like to help out, please contact Rev. Don or the office.

## **BUDDHA & CHRIST: A COMPARATIVE STUDY**

As part of the "Jesus. Love. Mindfulness." series a new class being offered on Wednesdays, May 7<sup>th</sup> - May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ~ PLAINVILLE FAMILY FEST**

C.C.P. will be hosting a booth at the Plainville Family Fest, a fun-filled event for children and their families, that will take place on May 17, 2025, at Linden Street School from 10:30 AM to 2:30 PM. We are looking for Volunteers to help run the booth from 10am - 3pm. Activities will include a fun selfie photo op for the kids as well as games, a coloring sheet hand out and flyers for the adults promoting our Save Our Steeple Fund and 175th Anniversary events. If you are available to help, please sign up on the sheet in Kelsey Hall on Sunday or contact the office with your availability.

#### C.C.P. PRESENTS... TRIVIA NIGHT!

Help us put the FUN in FUNdraiser!! Join us on May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. for a night of Trivia and Fellowship! Play solo or challenge your family & friends to test your knowledge and see who will be our first C.C.P. Trivia Champ!!! \$5 per person to play ~ Prizes after each round! Please RSVP by May 20<sup>th</sup> by signing up on the sheet in Kelsey Hall or contacting the Church Office. Refreshments will be available for purchase. All proceeds to benefit the Save Our Steeple Fund.

#### C.C.P. PRESENTS... NZINGA'S DAUGHTERS

After having to reschedule due to inclement weather we are pleased to finally be able to welcome *Nzinga's Daughters* to C.C.P! Please join us on **June 8**<sup>th</sup> at **3 p.m.** Nzinga's Daughters is a five-woman performance ensemble that fosters appreciation of a multicultural society and deepens public understanding of the history and cultural achievements of Africa and the African Diaspora. Their program includes a variety of African, Caribbean, and African-American music, drumming, storytelling and poetry.

## C.C.P. PRESENTS... YARD GOATS BASEBALL

Who's ready for some baseball?! Join us for a fun night at Dunkin' Park for a great game of baseball when the Hartford Yard Goats take on the New Hampshire Fisher Cats on June 27th. Limited number of tickets available so get your order in by June 8th.