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June 19, 2022

9:30 AM

"We are a community in Christ, called to act with love toward our neighbors."

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EXPRESSING OUR LOVE

(As we prepare for worship, we invite quiet contemplation of the Living God.)

**For those who are able, please stand.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT #308 (UCC-Red) "Let the Whole Creation Cry" (vs 1 & 3)

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN #29** (UCC-Red) "Morning Has Broken"

OPENING PRAYER *(from Psalm 42)*

- 1 As the deer longs for the water-brooks,
so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God;
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
- 3 My tears have been my food day and night,
**while all day long they say to me,
"Where now is your God?"**
- 4 I pour out my soul when I think on these things:
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
- 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving,
among those who keep holy-day.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?
and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 7 Put your trust in God;
**for I will yet give thanks to him,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.**
- 8 My soul is heavy within me;
**therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan,
and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.**
- 9 One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts;
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.
- 10 The Lord grants his loving-kindness in the daytime;
**in the night season his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbors as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

*SONG OF PRAISE #338 (UCC-red) (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.

GOD MOMENT

GROWING IN OUR FAITH

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Kings 19:1-15a
Luke 8: 26-39

THE CHILD IN US ALL

SERMON

"Hey, I Recognize You!"

*HYMN #1 (NCH-Black)

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

PRACTICING OUR SPIRITUALITY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

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.

ACKNOWLEDGING OUR GIFTS (Please send pledges & donations to the church via mail or use online giving.)

MUSICAL OFFERING

*SONG OF PRAISE HYMN #780 Doxology (NCH – Black)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, O heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dear God, we are grateful for the gifts which each of us may offer, and joyful for the chance to give. We pray that our gifts may contribute to the betterment of our world, through the example and love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #472 (NCH-Black)

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #812 (NCH-Black) "Threefold Amen"

Amen, Amen, Amen

POSTLUDE

WE EXTEND THE HAND of Christian fellowship to all who have come to worship in this Welcoming, Open and Affirming congregation. May our prayers and the hearing of God's Word make our burdens lighter, our hearts encouraged, and our souls refreshed.

If you are visiting for the first time, we welcome you.

To join our online live worship service for each Sunday at 9:30 A.M., go to the church website, www.fccuccspfdvt.org. Click on Worship on the black bar under the picture of the church. Click on the Facebook link. Click on the arrow of the live video.

Nursery care (up to 3 years old).

OUR THANKS to Kyle Washburn, and all who participated in our service this morning.

ALTAR FLOWERS today are given by Diane & John Holme for all the fathers, biological or not, who nurtured our children to be who they were called to be. We are grateful and celebrate your love and dedication.

ALTAR FLOWERS ARE NEEDED! Please call Cynthia King, 885-5831, if you would like to sign up for flowers.

A SUMMER INTERN will again be serving the ECCO (Experiment in Covenantal Community Outreach) group churches. If you'd be interested in hosting a recent Yale Divinity School grad from July 25 through August 7, please contact Pastor Michael for details.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE:

Those words can mean most anything. Would you or someone you know benefit from prayers, home visits, help with shopping, rides to appointments, prepared meals, food to help you over a hard time? If you have such a need, or know someone who does, please contact one of the Congregational Care co-chairs. Claire Trask at 886-7377.

PRAYER LIST

Ruth and Dan Kelin	Damien and Kayla
Ginny Blais	Marion Lerandeau
Claire Hatch	Vaughn Hadwen
Suerae and Jim Ballard	Family of Dick Gorton
All others in need	

COMING UP ON THE CALENDAR!

June 19	Sunday Worship – Michael Mario	9:30 AM
June 21	Wilderness Bible Study via Zoom	7:00 PM
June 23	Wilderness Bible Study via Zoom	10:00 AM
June 26	Sunday Worship – Michael Mario	9:30 AM

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tues. & Wed. 8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

PASTOR'S HOURS

Wed. & Thurs. 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

STAFF

Pastor: Michael Mario

Administrative Assistant: Judy Lasell

Sexton: Todd Murray

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