



**WALK THE
TALK**

Eastertide at
North Church

North Church of Portsmouth
An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ

May 12, 2024

10:00 AM

Seventh Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE

Laudamus Te

A. Vivaldi

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

PASSING OF THE PEACE

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

#614

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace

*OPENING HYMN

Do Lord, Oh Do Lord

Traditional

I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun 3x
Way beyond the blue.

refrain: Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do remember me 3x
Way beyond the blue.

I took Jesus as my Savior you take him too. 3x
While He's calling you. *refrain*

GOD-WINKS

*Indicates those who are able may stand

*HYMN

Do Lord, Oh Do Lord

Baptize me with water, and the Holy Spirit, too. 3x *refrain*

*refrain: Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do remember me 3x
Way beyond the blue.*

Jesus has conquered, the battle is won.
I do not know when the kingdom will come.
Still I will follow 'til my time is done. Way beyond the blue. *refrain*

SCRIPTURE

Acts 1: 1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God

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SONG OF PRAYER

Draw the Circle Wide

M. Miller

Draw the circle draw the circle wide draw the circle draw the circle wide
No one stands alone we'll stand side by side draw the circle draw the circle wide.
Draw the circle wide draw it wider still Let this be our song No one stands alone
Standing side by side draw the circle draw the circle wide.

MESSAGE

"Dream a New Dream"

Rev. Jennifer Mazur

MUSIC MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

If you have a prayer you would like to share out loud, please raise your hand and a deacon or usher will bring a microphone to you. If you would like to write a prayer down for our pastor to pray for you this week, please write it on the pieces of paper provided in the pews.

SUNG LORD'S PRAYER *(soloist will lead first time and congregation joins second time)* #740

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY– Litany of Thanksgiving

OFFERTORY

Peace in the Valley

T. Dorsey

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, we thank you for these gifts and offer them up to you. May they help us to be the church in the world: a place and a people of love and justice, mercy and peace. Move among these gifts, so we might be gifts to your world. Amen.

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*CLOSING HYMN Do Lord, Oh Do Lord, Oh Do Remember Me

I'll dream a new dream and open my heart
I'll dream a new dream and open my heart
I'll dream a new dream a good place to start way beyond the blue.

refrain: Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do remember me 3x
Way beyond the blue.

Wide is your mercy, expansive your grace
Wide is your mercy, expansive your grace
Your dream is our dream beyond time and place way beyond the blue.

refrain: Do Lord, oh do Lord, oh do remember me 3x
Way beyond the blue.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (remain seated) Fight the Good Fight arr. R. Wilson



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North Church Welcomes You

We are glad that you are worshipping here today.

If you seek a church home in Portsmouth, we hope that you will return to worship with us again. The tear off form on this bulletin filled out and placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher or the pastor, will help us to know you better as we serve God together.

On this day and all days we keep Marondera Church, our Ukama partner in Zimbabwe in our prayers.

Worship SCHEDULE

**All Worship services
begin at 10:00 am**

**Sunday, May 5
Sixth Sunday of Easter**
*The Sacrament of Communion will be Celebrated
"Abiding in Love"*

**Sunday, May 12
Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, May 19
Pentecost Sunday**

**Sunday, May 26
First Sunday After Pentecost**



- Men's Breakfast @ Cafe Espresso, May 15th, 9am
- Join the Movement Racial Justice Event, May 17th, time TBD
- Pentecost & Confirmation Sunday, May 19th, 10am
- Webster-at-Rye Service, May 20th, 3pm
- Wentworth Senior Living, Mary 23rd, 2:15pm
- Daisy Gate Sunday, June 9th, 10am
- Annual Meeting, June 9th, 11am



Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast group will be meeting on **May 15th, 9am at Cafe Espresso**. In addition, there will be a Men's Coffee at **Webster at Rye on May 8th at 10 am**.

For information contact Peter Kinner (pckinner@gmail.com) or Paul Kelley at (pk-rk@comcast.net)



**WE ARE FAMILY
LISTENING TOUR**



UCC National Racial Justice Ministries and
Join the Movement toward Racial Justice
want to hear from you!

**Join the Movement Listening Session
May 17th at 5pm
North Church Parsonage**

Join us at the Parsonage (217 Spinney Road) for light refreshments and conversation and a visit with Rev. Dr. Velda Love and Sharon Fenemma of the national United Church of Christ. Their visit to our church community is a part of a national listening tour for Join the Movement, aiming to understand more fully the work of racial justice ministry in local UCC churches like ours. We are one of three congregations they will be visiting while they are in New Hampshire. Their aim is to listen to our stories, share resources for the journey ahead and imagine with us what a racially just world might look like. If you're planning to attend, please let Pastor Jenn know!



CHURCH SCHOOL CHATTER

SUNDAY, MAY 12 - Ascension Sunday, Mother's Day - Church School in session

SUNDAY, MAY 19 - Children's/Confirmation Sunday - Church School in session

SUNDAY, MAY 26 - Memorial Day Weekend - Church School in recess until September



May Senior Living Services

Join us for uplifting services with our friends at Webster-at-Rye and Wentworth Senior Living! Experience spiritual renewal and connection as we bring music, communion and fellowship to our friends at both places. All are welcome to celebrate together!

Webster-at-Rye Service: **May 20th, 2024, 3pm**
Wentworth Senior Living Service: **May 23rd, 2:15pm**

JUSTICE & PEACE

614 Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me;

The first system of music is in 3/4 time. The treble clef staff contains the vocal line with lyrics. The bass clef staff contains the piano accompaniment. The key signature has one sharp (F#).

let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

The second system continues the vocal and piano parts. The key signature changes to two sharps (F# and C#).

With God our cre - a - tor, chil - dren all are we.

The third system continues the vocal and piano parts. The key signature changes to one sharp (F#).

Let us walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.

The fourth system concludes the vocal and piano parts. The key signature changes to one sharp (F#).

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The Lord's Prayer—continued

JUSTICE & PEACE

Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment now.

This system of music features a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment now."

With ev - ery step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:

This system of music continues the vocal and accompaniment. The treble staff has a vocal line with lyrics. The bass staff continues the accompaniment. The key signature changes to two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are: "With ev - ery step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:"

to take each mo - ment and live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.

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Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.

This system of music concludes the piece. The treble staff has a vocal line with lyrics. The bass staff continues the accompaniment. The key signature changes to one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me."

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