



Nantucket
United Methodist Church
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10:00am
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Prelude

Carolyn Butler

Welcome

Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: We have come together to call upon the Lord
God

Congregation: Who is worthy to be praised

Leader: We have come together to call upon the Lord God

**Congregation: Whose mercy abounds, whose grace is
everlasting**

***Opening Hymn Alleluia (3 x) No. 2014**

Alleluia

2014

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The first system ends with a fermata over the final 'ia'. The second system also ends with a fermata over the final 'ia'.

This Morning's Scriptural Texts

Ezekiel 33:7-11

Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. When I say to the wicked, 'You wicked person, you will surely die,' and you do not speak out to dissuade them from their ways, that wicked person will die for their sin, and I will hold you accountable for their blood. But if you do warn the wicked person to turn from their ways and they do not do so, they will die for their sin, though you yourself will be saved. "Son of man, say to the Israelites, 'This is what you are saying: "Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?"' Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live.

Romans 13:8-14

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not covet," and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in

sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Matthew 18:15-20

If your brother or sister sins go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses. If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector. "Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God

The Homily "It's Time To Live In The Light" Dr Richard

Morning Prayers

Prayer Requests

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Call To Offering

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessing flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen*

Dedication of Our Gifts and Offerings

The Lord's Supper

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have rebelled against your love. Forgive us, we pray. Create in us a joyful obedience. through Jesus Chris, Amen.

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing The Elements

“Let us Break Bread Together” No.618 (UMH)

During the singing of this hymn. those who are present, are welcome to come forward individually and take communion elements back to your seat. We will partake of them together, with those who are sharing elements with us at home.

618 Let Us Break Bread Together

1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees)
2. Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees)
3. Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees)

let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me) 2. Let us
 3. Let us

me) 4. Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris-ing sun,

O Lord, have mercy if you please. (if you please)

Prayer of Thanks

Closing Hymn "There's A Wideness" No.121

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy 121

1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2. There is wel-come for the sin-ner, and more grac-es for the good!
3. For the love of God is broad-er than the meas-ure of our mind;
4. If our love were but more sim-ple, we should rest up-on God's word;

there's a kind-ness in God's jus-tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
 There is mer-cy with the Sav-ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
 and our lives would be il - lu - mined by the pres-ence of our Lord.

***The Blessing**

***Choral Benediction** *“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”*

God be with you til we meet again

By his counsels guide uphold you

With his sheep securely fold you

God be with you til we meet again

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome

In these challenging times when we want so much to greet each other up close, when we wish we could linger longer, and share a time of refreshment and fellowship after worship, we ARE thankful to be connected, however strange it still seems. We are so glad you have connected with us this hour!

The Sacrament of Communion

We practice an open communion table to which all are invited. During this covid-19 pandemic, we celebrate the sacrament by individually coming to the table and taking the elements back to your pew. When all have served themselves, we will partake together. Those of you who are connecting by zoom or phone can either pick up communion elements at the church (Saturday morning from 9-1pm on the left as you enter Wesley Hall door) or provide your own at home.

Bible Study Begins This Wednesday

We are sending the discussion materials with the TGIM email on Monday's mornings. We join together by zoom, using the same options we send you for this worship service.

Are You A Visitor?

We would like to send you a personal note of welcome. There are information cards in the foyer to fill out before you leave, take with you, and bring or send it back to us. (There are disinfected pens available. Once you use one please place it in the “used” container. We want to stay connected with our visitors.

The Sep/Oct Issue of Upper Room...

Is available on the table in the foyer. Please feel free to take a copy of this ecumenical and inspiring devotional.

Your Financial Support is Important

Thank you to those of you who support this church. If you have wish to contribute using your iPhone you can download the app for Tithely (please note how it is spelled, so that you download the correct app). Or, you can send a check to UMC Box 264 Nantucket, MA 02554. If you are here in the sanctuary this morning, there are envelopes and an offering plate in the narthex for you to use as you leave the service.

From My Heart To Yours...

Dear Friends,

When I was the Executive of one of the Congregational denominations I was called upon regularly to help churches resolve conflict and/or present and challenges. The growing anxieties of congregations about funding ministry, shrinking membership, strategic planning, moving from a closed attitude about strangers and guests to creating a welcoming church – these were the repeatable issues.

The number of these calls to our national office grew each year, to the point that one of my associates and I attended an interfaith seminar for denominational executives in Atlanta to learn how to more effectively help congregations. Guess what we learned? “Connect, converse, create and pray.” Whatever the particulars of the conflict we applied this formula, and it worked. A significant portion of my library was books about the how- to’s of planning, goal-setting, and conflict resolution.

More and more of our travel schedules to local churches, included some time to share the research we had done on key issues facing congregations. When we checked back with many of these churches to see how they were doing, we were often disappointed. They followed the national average -only 18% of the congregations engaged in addressing critical issues actually followed the plan they created.

It seems that we are in the same place these days not only in churches, but culturally, on so many levels. Beyond the sins of violence, prejudice, and neglect, we haven’t been able to get to a safe place, a zone, if you will, which allows us to connect, converse, create, and pray. Somewhere in this mix is the church’s witness. Out of our own needs as a church, perhaps we could be those sentinels. Those witnesses, those instigators of good connections, meaningful conversations, creating plans for reconciliation, and constant praying.

Grace and Peace,

Tom

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