First Trinitarian Congregational Church of Scituate, UCC



Whoever You Are, And Wherever You Are On Life's Journey, You Are Welcome Here.

July 27, 2025

The Altar Flowers today are given by The Glowac family In memory of friends, Ken Kelly, Tom Dwyer, and Will Robinson

Following Worship everyone is invited to Rice Hall for **Fellowship and Refreshments**.

Thank you for your continued support of our church.

Your generosity is very much appreciated. Lots of vital ministry and mission work is being done each week.



Ministers to the World, *The Congregation;*Rev. Dr. Stan G. Duncan, *Interim Pastor*William Richter, *Director of Music;* Zandy Shepherd, *Music Assistant*Jody DeCourcey, *Admin;* Scott Holmes, *Sexton*

* Invites those who are able to stand / **Bold** indicates that the congregation speaks

TIME FOR REVERENT REFLECTION

Upon entering, you are encouraged to sit quietly and enjoy the prelude

PRELUDE

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Stan Duncan

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carolyn DeBrusk, *Liturgist*

Liturgist: I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord, and remember

wonders of old.

People: I will meditate on all your work, and muse on your

mighty deeds.

Liturgist: Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as our God?

People: You are the God who works wonders among us; Liturgist: You have displayed your might among all the peoples.

People: With your strong arm you covered your people,

Liturgist: Come, let us worship God together!

--From Psalm 77

* **OPENING HYMN** O for a Thousand Tongues #76, all verses

PRAYER OF INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER Carolyn, Liturgist

Liturgist: Please join me in the Prayer of Invocation and the Lord's

Prayer.

All: God of love, give us a deep love for you, Help us that we

can see the world with your eyes and not our own,

And feel the compassion that you feel,

and be a people whose lives mediate your love to others.

Open our eyes that we might see people who are hurting

as the Good Samaritan saw.

Grant us the insight to see the need in others,

the wisdom to know what to do, and the will to do it.

Liturgist: And now help us pray the prayer that your Son, Jesus, taught

his followers to pray...

All: 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.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10:25-37

Carolyn DeBrusk, Liturgist

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ²⁶ He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' ²⁷ He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.' ²⁸ And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?' ³⁰ Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him

on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' ³⁷ He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Open My Eyes, That I May See* Rev. Stan Duncan

* **SERMON HYMN** Open My Eyes, That I May See #381, all verses

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

CALL TO GIVING

SONG OF PRAISE Doxology

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.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Stan Duncan

* CLOSING HYMN | Jesus Calls Us #375, all verses

POSTLUDE

76. O for a Thousand Tongues

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace.

2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease, 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.

3 He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.

4 Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy.

5 My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread thro' all the earth abroad, The honors of Thy name.

Amen.

LIFE IN CHRIST Open My Eyes, That I May See Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in Your law. Ps. 119:18 1. O-pen my eyes, that I may see Glimp-ses of truth Thou hast for me; 2. O-pen my ears, that I may hear Voic - es of truth Thou send-est clear; 3. O-pen my mouth, and let it bear Glad - ly the warm truth ev - 'ry-where; Place in my hands the won-der-ful key, That shall un-clasp and set me free. And while the wave-notes fall on my ear, Ev - 'ry-thing false will dis - ap-pear. O - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare Love with Thy chil-dren thus to share. wait for Thee, Read-y, my God, Thy will to see; Si-lent-ly now

il - lu - mine me,

il - lu-mine me,

lu - mine me,

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Spir - it

Spir - it

Spir - it

di - vine!

di - vine!

di - vine!

TEXT and MUSIC: Clara H. Scott

O · pen my eyes,

O - pen my ears,

O - pen my heart,

A - men.

375. Jesus Calls Us

1 Jesus calls us o'er the tumult Of our life's wild restless sea, Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, Saying, "Christian, follow Me."

2 Jesus calls us from the worship Of the vain world's golden store, From each idol that would keep us, Saying "Christian, love Me more."

3 In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease, Still He calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love Me more than these."

4 Jesus calls us: by Thy mercies, Savior, may we hear Thy call, Give our hearts to Thine obedience. Serve and love Thee best of all.

Amen.