

OUR OPEN AND AFFIRMING COVENANT OF WELCOME

Believing that everyone is a child of God, it is with joy, and in the love of Christ, that we welcome all persons into the full life, ministry and mission of Dennis Union Church. We choose not to turn away anyone whom Christ would welcome. We affirm the dignity and worth of every person including, but not limited to, people of every race, ethnicity, age, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental ability, family structure or economic circumstance. We celebrate God's creative love shown in the wide diversity of humanity and the unique gifts each of us brings to the world. It is our intention to love one another as Christ has loved us.

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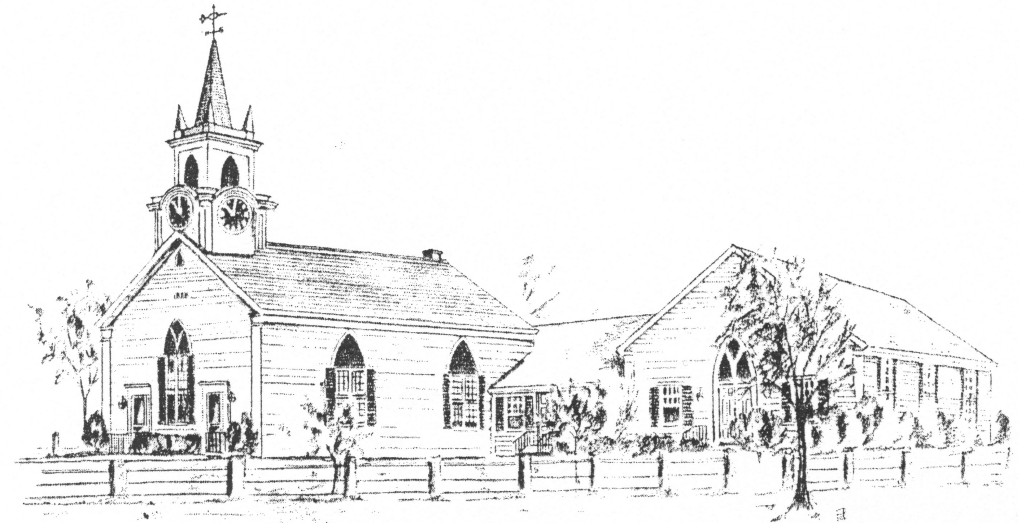
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United Church of Christ... Congregational

An open & affirming congregation



Main Street (Route 6A)
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Dennis, MA

With Jesus as our anchor and compass, God bids us to be a blessing in the world.

January 21, 2018

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10:00 A.M.

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

RINGING OF THE BELL – GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE –“Echo Fantasia” Sweelinck (1562-1621)

WELCOME

CENTERING PRAYER (Sourcebook of Worship Resources)

God of all knowledge and truth, send your Spirit to us in this place to teach us what we need to know. Direct our thoughts to you and increase our understanding of all things that make us whole. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Sourcebook of Worship Resources)

In the presence of God, **We are filled with hope,**
We are overwhelmed by love, **We sense a holy mystery.**
In the presence of the holy God, **We know our sin,**
We fall on our knees, **We are made new.**
In the presence of the living Christ, **We stand in awe,**
We sing for joy! **Let us sing!**

***HYMN** – “Are Ye Able,” Said the Master blue hymnal No. 621

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (Sourcebook of Worship Resources)

Surprising and persistent God, you never give up on us. You seek us, follow us, call us. We cannot escape from your yearning for us, and only when we turn to you do we find the sweetness of life, the reason for living, an ever-flowing fountain of joy. Thank you for your amazing grace that surprises us, comforts us and renews us. Give us hearts of gratitude, and forever let us sing your praise. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** (blue hymnal No. 35)

WORD FOR THE YOUNG

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 62:5-12 Bible p. 458

ANTHEM – “Seek Ye First” Lafferty/Wagner

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 1:14-20 Bible p. 812

SERMON *Learning To Be A Disciple* Rev. Terry Martinson

HYMN - “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult” blue hymnal No. 337

OFFERING/OFFERTORY - “Adoro te Devote” arr. W. Moats

***DOXOLOGY** (blue hymnal No. 46)
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER

***HYMN** – “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” blue hymnal No. 453

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE – “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”
arr. Thompson

POSTLUDE – “Fanfare” Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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***Please stand as you are able...**

We welcome guests to our worship today. Please sign one of our guest books located at the entrances to the sanctuary. We hope that you will share in the fellowship time after worship. If you are visiting with us today, please take a red cup. If you would like more information about Dennis Union Church, please fill out a guest card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Crib Room: For your convenience, our **CRIB ROOM** is located directly off the sanctuary.