

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

We welcome guests to our worship today. We hope that you will share in the fellowship time after worship. If you are a visitor, please take a RED cup at the Fellowship Hour.

Visitors: Please sign one of our guest books located at the entrances to the sanctuary. 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.

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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DENNIS UNION CHURCH

United Church of Christ... Congregational

An open & affirming congregation

500TH
Anniversary
OF THE REFORMATION



Main Street (Route 6A)
at Old Bass River Rd.
Dennis, MA

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

OCTOBER 29, 2017

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10:00 A.M.

Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation
Celebrating the Saints

RINGING OF THE BELL – GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE – “Blessed are Ye, Faithful Souls” J. Brahms

WELCOME

CENTERING PRAYER (Martin Luther 1483-1546)

Eternal God, you call us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be God: Creator, Son and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever.
There is one Body and one Spirit;
There is one hope in God’s call to us;
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism,
One God and loving Parent of all.

Blessed be God who sustains us and protects God’s Holy Church.
And blessed be God who guides and confirms us in our faith. Amen! Alleluia!

***HYMN** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” blue hymnal No. 65

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Remind us, O Lord, on this day we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, that we are always in need of renewal. As you spoke to the reformers of your Holy Church, speak to us, too, your living word of transformation. Help us earthen vessels to yield to the loving hands of the Master Potter. And renew our minds by the power of your Holy Spirit as we present ourselves in worship to you. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** (Blue Hymnal No. 35)

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Robert McGillveary, Homeless, Not Helpless, Inc.

ANTHEM – “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” Hugo Distler

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Romans 3:19-26

Bible p. 915

SERMON Stand Up! Be Counted! Rev. Terry Martinson

CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

Kay Baker	George Mabee	George Buffington
Harold Sim*	Arnold Bossi*	Betty Sterrett
Muriel Hanger	Avis Cayton	Alice Hammond
Sybil Sim	Paul Woudenberg	Diana Hanford
Ruth Giger	Sandy Wiper	Richard Fox
Kent Whitcomb	Joan Marsh	Sheldon Gardner
Richard Norton		

HYMN “For All the Saints” blue hymnal No. 637

OFFERING – “Swing Down Chariot” trad. arr. Andre Thomas

***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** “The Church’s One Foundation” blue hymnal No. 272

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE – “The Souls of the Righteous” Marchant

POSTLUDE – “Ein Feste Burg ist Unser Gott” Buxtehude

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