

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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United Church of Christ... Congregational

An open & affirming congregation



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Dennis, MA

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

APRIL 29, 2018

April 29, 2018

10:00 A.M.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

RINGING OF THE BELL – GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE – “Playford”

G. Hancock

WELCOME

CENTERING PRAYER (Sourcebook of Worship Resources)

*There is no one holy like the Lord; there is none besides you;
there is no Rock like our God. You are our all in all. Bless us
and draw us near to you. Amen.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Sourcebook of Worship Resources)

Easter people, rejoice! **For God is good and faithful!**
Easter people, rejoice! **For God brings love and hope!**
Easter people, rejoice! **For all things work together for God!**
Christ Jesus brings new life - **Thanks be to God!**

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

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

*Precious God, surround us with your presence so we may breathe
deeply of this moment and discover a fountain of joy, a river of
light, a stream of hope. Precious God, come in word and silence,
in song and prayer, and lead us to the heights of Glory. Precious
God, visit us now with your peace and power that makes all things
new. Renew the earth, renew your church, and renew us by your
grace. Amen.*

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

AN AFFIRMATION – Statement of Faith – U.C.C. blue hymnal No. 361

ANTHEM – “Come Before Him with Song” M. Shepperd

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 15:9-17 Bible p. 878

SERMON *Our Mission... Our Message* Rev. Terry Martinson

HYMN - “I Love Your Church, O God” blue hymnal No. 274

OFFERING/OFFERTORY – “All Who Dwell in the Shadow of the Lord” R. Stroope

***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 (“debts/debtors”)

YOUTH SKIT

***HYMN** – “We Are Walking” blue hymnal No. 442

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE – “Threefold Amen”

POSTLUDE – “Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir” J. Walther

***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.