# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome to Church Hill United Methodist Church!
It is our prayer that during this time of worship,
you will receive assurance of the forgiveness of sin and gift of new life
which Jesus offers each of us.

We respectfully ask that all worshippers refrain from talking once the prelude begins to play.

**PRELUDE** Ah, Holy Jesus arr. J. Ferguson

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP \***

Pastor: Holy One, dwell within us. **People: Whisper in our ears;** Pastor: Glimmer in our vision; **People: Write upon our hearts.** 

Pastor: We wait

People: with open ears, open eyes, open hearts.

**OPENING HYMN** *Lift High the Cross* UMH #159

**PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL PRAYER** ~ *If you have a prayer request, please wait for the usher to hand you the microphone so that persons watching from home can clearly hear your request.* 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI UMH #71

## Listening to God's Story

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:20-33 (NRSVue)

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

GOOD NEWS Rev. Nicholas Perez

## Sharing Our Lives with God in Thanksgiving

OFFERTORY Alleluia Dan Spahn

**DOXOLOGY** UMH #94

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** 

**HYMN** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* UMH #452

<sup>\*</sup> Written by Joanna Harader.

### SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

**POSTLUDE** *More Love to Thee, O Christ* 

arr. J. Evanovich

All are invited to quietly remain and enjoy the postlude. If you leave before the music ends, please do so quietly.

#### **Pastor Nicholas' Contact Information**

Cell #: (803) 530-1429 Email: ndperez@umcsc.org

Office Hours: Tuesday from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm or by appointment.

Monday is my personal Sabbath and I try to refrain from working on this day.

I will still be available by phone on Mondays in case you have an emergency need.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Coffeehouse

Friday, March 22 at 7:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

Our entertainment will be O'Reilly & Bailey.

#### **Holy Week**

We will begin Holy Week on Palm Sunday (03/24) with an Easter Egg Hunt and a fun workshop for the congregation after worship. As has become our tradition, we will have shared worship services with God's people at Harbor UMC on Maundy Thursday (03/28) and Good Friday (03/29). Church Hill will be the host church for Maundy Thursday and Harbor will be the host church for Good Friday. Both services will begin at 7:00 pm. Additionally, we will welcome Rabbi Eric Berk and Cantor Steven Weiss of Temple Sha'aray Shalom in Hingham to lead us in a traditional Jewish Seder on Maundy Thursday in the fellowship hall at 6:00 pm. Please contact Harriet Loring if you plan to attend the Seder.

#### Easter

We will attend the Easter Sunrise Service at the Scituate Lighthouse at 6:46 am. (You will want to arrive early). Our Easter Sunday Service will be at 10:00 am.

#### Men's Luncheon Club

Wednesday, March 27 at noontime at Cask n' Flagon in Marshfield.

Please let Chuck Frary know no later than March 25 if you plan to attend.

#### **Gift Cards**

If you or a close friend or family member is in need, please reach out to Pastor Nicholas confidentially to receive a \$50 gift card to a local grocery store.

#### **Father Bill's Service Opportunities**

If you are interested in serving a meal to those in need at Father Bill's in Quincy, please contact Deb Bailey at (781) 659-2482.

- \* Church Council Chair: Harriet Loring
- \* Scripture Reader: Rev. Nicholas Perez
- \* Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Perez
- \* Organist: Dan Spahn
- \* Usher: Betsy Adams

# WELCOME

CHURCH HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MARCH 17, 2024

## 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT ~ 10:00 AM



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