

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF BUCKLAND

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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August 23, 2020 - Pentecost 12

"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away." —Pablo Picasso

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: We come to encounter the Living Word, calling us into communion with God and one another.

People: And calling us into action to carry on Christ's work in our world.

Pastor: So we come together here, joining hands in the great quest:

People: To thank God, to love each other and to serve the world. Amen

***HYMN** "Come All Christians, Be Committed" No. 498 (vs. 1 & 2)

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God we thank you for all the light, grace, and life seen and known in our church community which nurtures us. We pray that we may be set free from ways that might be limiting our vision and possibilities. Help us find our way creatively through the crises of this time. Open our eyes that we may recognize the Spirit at work through us and other people in all of its various forms. Remind us of our common goal to be your living body of love and hope in an often dis-spiriting world. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI** "Glory Be to the Father" No. 575

FIRST SCRIPTURE Romans 12: 1-8 page 922

ANTHEM Tedd & Anita

PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."

PRAYER RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" No. 585

OFFERTORY (We will not actually take up an offering, however we request that you leave your contributions in the basket on your way out or mail them to Vi Scott as you have been doing.)

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1: 21-39 page 812-813

MESSAGE "One Amazing Day in Capernaum" – Rich Fournier

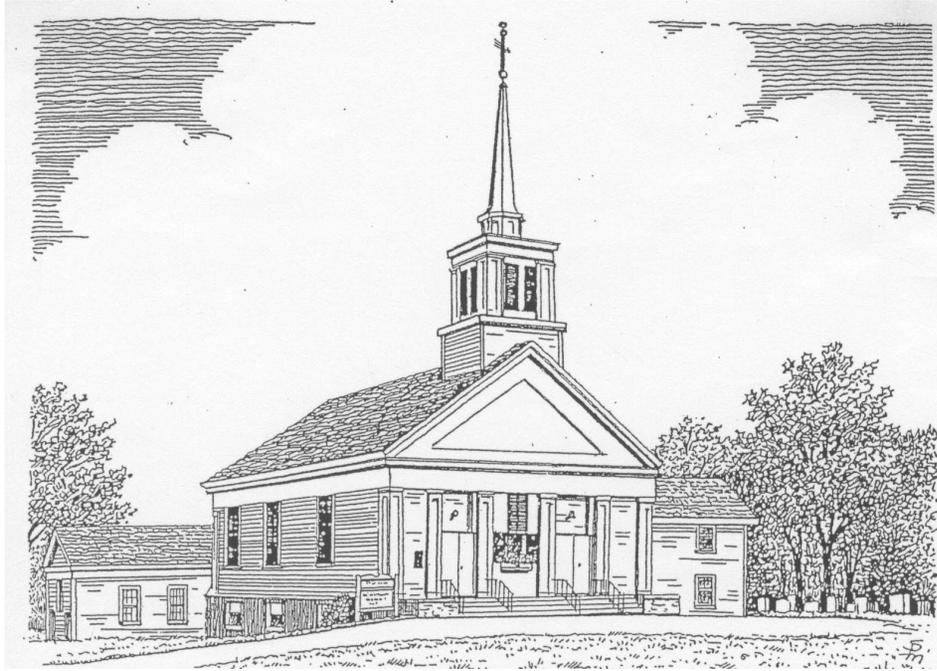
***HYMN** "When We Walk with the Lord" No. 318 (vs. 1 & 5)

*BENEDICTION

***RESPONSE** - "God Be with You till We Meet Again" No. 42

*POSTLUDE

*=All who are able, are invited to stand.



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