

SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30am • Sunday • June 9, 2024

Mission Statement: As a community of faith, we welcome all who seek understanding. • As a community of hope, we offer friendship and comfort to those in need. • As a community of love, we provide caring support and shared fellowship to all.

WE ARE A COMMUNITY CHURCH. OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND MEMBERS COME FROM MANY PLACES AND MULTIPLE FAITH TRADITIONS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO FIND A SPIRITUAL SANCTUARY HERE.

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

— PASSING the PEACE & WELCOME —

CENTERING MUSIC *Sharon Novak*

CALL to WORSHIP *by Beth Merrill Neel*

One: To see the life that teems around us,
People: **To give thanks for the gift we have received;**
One: To notice the beauty and promise of spring,
People: **To breathe deeply of the season;**
One: To accept the gift of love, and to love in return:
All: *This is to worship God.*

— PRAYING —

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever.

*SONG *Garden Song (insert)* *Sharon Novak*

— REFLECTING —

SCRIPTURE *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

MESSAGE TIMES & SEASONS *Rev Gail Doktor*

*SONG #386 *Turn, Turn, Turn (insert)* *Sharon Novak*

— OFFERING —

*SONG #44 *Doxology* *Sharon Novak*

— CLOSING —

*BENEDICTION *Sharon Novak*

May the love of God live in us today, may the love of God live in us today.

May the warmth we feel within us show in all we do and say.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the peace of God be with us today, May the peace of God be with us today.

May it guide us and protect us, as we go our separate ways.

May the peace of God be with us, May the love of God live in us,

May the love of God shine through us today.

BLESSING *Deacons*

**Please rise if you're able*

SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to break down and a time to build up; a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek and a time to lose; a time to keep and a time to throw away; a time to tear and a time to sew; a time to keep silent and a time to speak; a time to love and a time to hate; a time for war and a time for peace.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE: *For* PEOPLE

Allan, Anjali, Annie, Arden, Alexis, Barbara, Bob, Cindi, Cheryl, Corey, Deb, Darlene, Dean, Don, George, Irene, Jan, Jean, Joan, Joyce, Jonathan, Judy, Kathy, Ken (KC), Irene, Laurie, Linda, Marcia, Matteo, Mary, Maureen, Meg, Parker, Phaedra, Sarah, Scamp, Spencer Elizabeth, Tom, Robert, Val, Lori's niece & nephew, Dawson's sister, Tish's mother & family and the Stam family.

For those in need of the essentials of life: dignity, work, education, food, water, shelter, freedom of thought and expression and belief and self-direction, sense of belonging and purpose, a place to call home.

For people with new diagnosis, undergoing treatment, seeking healing and recovery in body, mind or spirit. For those with cognitive, mental, and emotional challenges and changes. For those holding vigil until the end of life, and for those who are grieving, including the family of Jim Dunwell.

For those serving in the military and for their families. For those in caring roles and professions. For emergency responders: firefighters, police, EMTs and ambulance, medical health, social health, and mental health, disaster relief, crisis intervention, and others. For those in leadership positions making choices that affect other people.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE: *For* PLACES

For climate-related occurrences around the world. For places affected by natural disasters: earthquakes, floods, fires, droughts, famine, eruptions, storms and other phenomena. For places struggling with conflict, systemic oppression, or violence such as Israel, Gaza, Palestine, and the Ukraine. For places with which we have partnership, including Chikanga Church in Mutare, Zimbabwe and communities in Honduras.

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JACKSON COMMUNITY CHURCH, UCC
JACKSON, NH

GARDEN SONG

Inch by inch,
row by row
Gonna make
this garden grow
All it takes
is a rake and a hoe
And a piece
of fertile ground

Inch by inch,
row by row
Someone bless these seeds
I sow
Someone warm them
from below
Till the rain comes
tumblin' down

Pullin' weeds and
pickin' stones
Man is made of dreams
and bones
Feel the need
to grow my own
'Cause the time
is close at hand

Rainful rain,
sun and rain
Find my way
in nature's chain
Tune my body
and my brain
To the music
from the land

Plant your rows
straight and long
Temper them with
prayer and song
Mother Earth will
make you strong
If you give her
love and care

Old crow
watchin' hungrily
From his perch
in yonder tree
In my garden
I'm as free
As that feathered
thief up there

Inch by inch,
row by row
Gonna make
this garden grow
All it takes is
a rake and a hoe
And a piece
of fertile ground

An inch by inch,
row by row
Someone bless
these seeds I sow
Someone warm them
from below
Till the rain comes
tumblin' down.

TURN TURN TURN

To everything turn, turn, turn
There is a season turn, turn,
turn
And a time to every purpose
under Heaven

A time to be born, a time to
die
A time to plant, a time to reap
A time to kill, a time to heal
A time to laugh, a time to
weep

To everything turn, turn, turn
There is a season turn, turn,
turn
And a time to every purpose
under Heaven

A time to build up, a time to
break down
A time to dance, a time to
mourn
A time to cast away stones
A time to gather stones
together

To everything turn, turn, turn
There is a season turn, turn,
turn
And a time to every purpose
under Heaven

A time of love, a time of hate
A time of war, a time of peace
A time you may embrace
A time to refrain from
embracing

To everything turn, turn, turn
There is a season turn, turn,
turn
And a time to every purpose
under Heaven

A time to gain, a time to lose
A time to rain, a time of sow
A time for love, a time for hate
A time for peace, I swear it's
not too late

