



Prelude & Lighting of the Candles

**Gathering Prayer** 

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 139

L: O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You discern my thoughts from afar.

P: You search out my path and are acquainted with all my ways.

L: Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

P: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

All: Let us glorify God!

\*Hymn "God is Here" #660

God of our protector and comforter, our shield and defender, hear our glad praises as we boast of your goodness. We gather as witnesses to your redeeming graciousness. We worship in response to your encompassing love. The birds start to sing before the sun even rises, proof that you promise the dawn of new life while it is yet dark. Let your light now shine on our darkness, that we may discern your will for us, giving you the honor due your glorious name.

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be – world without end. Amen. Amen.

Time For The Children

Special Music - Dianne Crisp & Bevan Bloemendaal "I Don't Know Why Jesus Loved Me"

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer, 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 in temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

\*Hymn "Be Thou My Vision"

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Gospel Mark 2:23-3:6

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: Thanks be to God.

Morning Message Pastor Betsy

Communion Hymn "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" #629

(Remain seated as we sing our hymn)

Holy Communion #12

\*Hymn "Amazing Grace" #378

\*Choral Benediction (the Congregation encircles the Sanctuary)

May the Lord, gracious God bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and seek His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God bless and keep you forever.

Pastor's Charge

Postlude

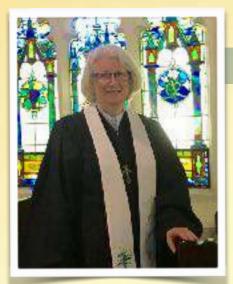
\*Stand if you are able Large print bulletins are available from the greeters



JOIN US AFTER CHURCH FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP IN SANBORN HALL

**LET'S CATCH UP!** 

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Praise and Adoration



### A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR...

The door of inclusive fellowship in FUMC is wide and always stands open.

A warm welcome is extended to all. One is never a stranger here, for whoever names the name of Christ is at home in this church.

May today's message bring you strength and comfort.

### **OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM...**

Pastor - Rev. Betsy Webber ~ Pastor's Assistant - David Richards
Liturgist - David Richards ~ Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal ~ Pianist - PaulaJ Jacobson
Acolyte - Jenya Westbrook ~ Greeter - Jane Richards

Ushers - Anne & Mike Coffey
David & Sue Richards

Sound Technician - Susan Sarosiek

Worship Service Tech - Sue Richards

Sunday School - Jen Berry & Evelyn New

Secretary - PaulaJ Jacobson ~ Videographer [volunteer needed!]

### WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY...

Come join us for coffee hour after the church service in Sanborn Hall...we'd love to catch up with you and see how your week has gone.



#### WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER...

Cynthia Drake ~ Bobbie Noble ~ Bill Geeslin ~ Ruth Tuttle ~

Myrt Moore ~ Gail Guarini ~ Peter Guarini ~ Kathy Randall ~

Sue Goodhue ~ Kim Hishop ~ Richard Mullikin ~

Sylvia Bartlett ~ Brian Thompson ~ Ken Westbrook ~

Those in rehab and care facilities

### **TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS...**



In memory of John T. (Papa) O'Connell from the Langs Family

### WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK...

Make sure you have a strong signal everyday.

# FAITH is like Wi-Fi,

it's invisible but it has the power to connect you to what you need.



The altar flowers are a beautiful way of remembering or honoring someone special in your life. Please sign up on the flower chart in the narthex for your opportunity.

### **UMCOR FLOOD BUCKET UPDATE...**



### MORE THAN A BUCKET

The red bucket as you walked into the sanctuary is for donations to the hurricane relief bucket program through UMCOR.

### WILL YOU VOLUNTEER?...

We are looking for someone to be willing to film various moments within our worship service. These videos are being uploaded to our Website and YouTube channel and are important to our outreach commitments as they are shared with those who can't make it to church or missed that Sunday. Please see Sue Sarosiek or Bevan Bloemendaal if you are interested in talking about the details.



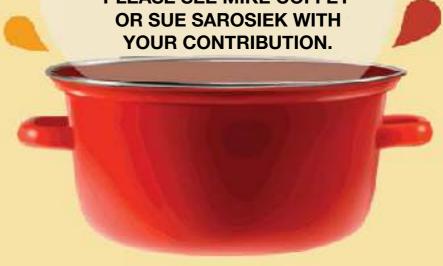
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# FAREWELL POTLUCK

**JUNE 17, 2018** 

FOLLOWING WORSHIP
IN SANBORN HALL TO
THANK PASTOR BETSY
AND WISH HER WELL ON
HER RETIREMENT!

SPRC IS COLLECTING FOR A RETIREMENT GIFT SO PLEASE SEE MIKE COFFEY OR SUE SAROSIEK WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTION.

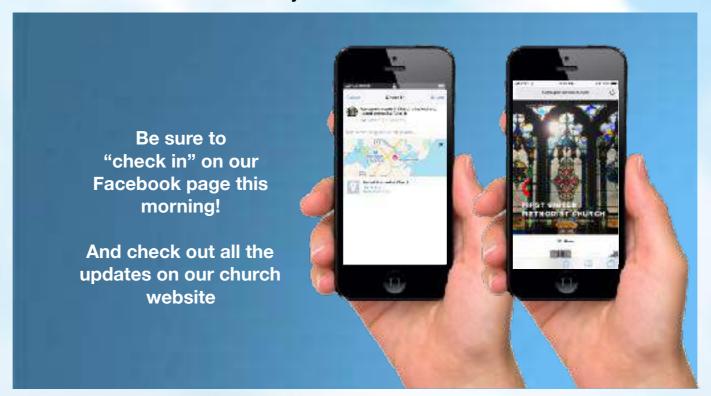


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We, the congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, are dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving with all people as we embrace Jesus Christ's



message of love and acceptance. As a United Methodist Church we stand fully behind the statement "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors" We celebrate our diversity and invite all persons regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, physical or mental ability into full membership and participation in the life of this community of faith.



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