



# The Federated Church of Hyannis

**Order of Worship**  
**Sunday, Nov 1, 2020**

**Prelude:** *Nocturne*, John Fields.....Roy Campbell

**Announcements:**.....Sherrie Scudder

## **Words of Welcome:**

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May the peace that passes all understanding abide with you. This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Passing of the Peace** (*We will be using sign language*)

**Opening Hymn:** #552 “We Gather Together”

*We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing;  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;  
Sing praises to His Name; He forgets not His own.*

*Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, were at our side, all glory be Thine!*

*We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still our Defender will be;  
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;  
Thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!*

## **Unison Prayer:**

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God. My soul is thirsting for God, the God of my life; then can I enter and see the face of God? My tears have become my bread, by night, by day, as I hear it said all the day long: “Where is your God?” Why are you cast down, my soul, why groan within me? Hope in God; I will praise yet again my savior and my God.  
(from Psalm 42)

## **Gloria Patri**

### **Offering:**

It is at this time that we have the opportunity to come before the Lord with the blessings we have received and now share in our morning offering.

**Offertory:** *Help Us Accept Each Other*, J. Beck.....Roy Campbell

### **Doxology**

#### **Prayer of Dedication:**

Lord you have entrusted to us resources to be stewards of. May these offering reflect the faithfulness of your people. Bless these offerings and the purposes for which they will be used through the ministry of The Federated Church of Hyannis. Amen

**Special Music:** *People*, Jules Styne.....Roy Campbell

**Communion:** *Goin' Home*, Anton Dvorak.....Roy Campbell

### **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 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.

### **Scripture:** Nehemiah 7:1-5

After the wall had been rebuilt and I had set the doors in place, the gatekeepers, the musicians and the Levites were appointed. I put in charge of Jerusalem my brother Hanani, along with Hananiah the commander of the citadel, because he was a man of integrity and feared God more than most people do. I said to them, "The gates of Jerusalem are not to be opened until the sun is hot. While the gatekeepers are still on duty, have them shut the doors and bar them. Also appoint residents of Jerusalem as guards, some at their posts and some near their own houses." Now the city was large and spacious, but there were few people in it, and the houses had not yet been rebuilt. So my God put it into my heart to assemble the nobles, the officials and the common people for registration by families. I found the genealogical record of those who had been the first to return.

**Sermon:** "Praying for the Return and Restoration of What Once Was" Part V

**Closing Hymn: #475 “When the Saints Go Marching In**

*Oh, when the saints go marching in  
Oh, when the saints go marching in  
O Lord, I want to be in that number  
When the saints go marching in*

*Oh, when the sun refused to shine  
Oh, when the sun refused to shine  
Dear Lord I want to be in that number  
When the sun refused to shine*

*Oh when they crown Him Lord of all  
Oh when they crown Him Lord of all  
Dear Lord, I want to be in that number  
When they crown Him Lord of all*

**Benediction**

*Go forth in peace, be of good courage, hold fast to that which is good, render to no one evil for evil, but strengthen the faint-hearted, help the afflicted, honor God, love and serve one another rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit now and forevermore. Amen.*

**Postlude: Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring, Bach.....Roy Campbell**

***Thank you to the Diaconate for the altar flowers.***

**Following our Worship Service,  
Please Join Us for Coffee Hour on Zoom!**

Topic: Coffee Hour

Time: Nov 1, 2020 11:45 AM *Please note later time!*

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83319433518?pwd=ZUVDeG1tREgzcm1PYVBMZU1qZW8xZz09>

Meeting ID: 833 1943 3518

Passcode: 271579

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## A Letter to the Federated Church of Hyannis Friends and Members

From: The Rev. Derek L. White

Greetings and Peace be with you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It has come to my attention that 15 November will be Stewardship Sunday. You should be receiving a letter from the Stewardship Committee in preparation for the 2021 Pledges.

As you prayerfully discern the spiritual practice of stewardship, I wish to share a reflection on what stewardship means. The scriptures teach us that God is good, and that God seeks to bless us. Numbers 6:24-26 says, *“The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.”* All blessings come from God. Jesus instructs us as his disciples to be faithful in the distribution of such blessings received. The Church in Acts 4:32-35 speaks of the incredible generosity and shared sense of ministry among the members who shared all they had in the care for each other. Stewardship is an act of faith. When we say God will provide it is important to reflect how God can use us in meeting that provision.

As we have learned over the past several months the Church is more than a building. The Church is a community of believers who share in the mutual ministry of the church. What we pledge through the act of faith in stewardship is a spiritual practice. There is a growing need for churches to be the kind of community described in Acts Chapter 4. It says, “there was no person of need among them”. Because everyone shared together the needs of the community where meet. The goal is not to meet some budgeted amount, but to ensure the needs of all are provided for as we care and support one another as a community of faith.

Please prayerfully consider how best to use the resources God has provided. In the fellowship, breaking of bread, and sharing of resources we model the type of community Jesus proclaimed.

The Rev. Derek L. White

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