

**FEDERATED CHURCH OF HYANNIS
ORDER OF WORSHIP ~ SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023**

~Reminder – please silence all cell phones before the Worship Service begins ~

PRELUDE: “*O Mio Babbino Caro*”, Puccini

Roy Campbell

WORDS OF WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PASSING OF THE PEACE WITH THE CONGREGATION,
PRESENT AND ONLINE**

CALL TO WORSHIP (all)

Leader: God’s breath stirs the trees in the forest and the traffic lights in the city.

People: God, we feel your presence.

Leader: God’s voice speaks in thunder and surf, in poems and concert halls.

People: God, we listen for your word.

Leader: God is present in blooming fields and bustling markets, silent lakes,
and welcoming meals.

People: God, we seek your will. Come let us worship together.

***HYMN OF ADORATION #8 “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”**

*1 All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Serve Him with mirth, His praise forth tell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.*

*2 The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make;
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.*

*3 O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.*

INVOCATION (all)

Holy God, we give thanks that you have called us to be your people. In our times of gloom, you send your light. When we are weary and discouraged, you lift us up. In our thirst for meaning and purpose, you bring us living water. Set before us now the joy of discovery and a vision of future possibilities. May we be united in

friendship and love for one another and for all people. Fill us with compassion, humility, and a desire to serve others for the glory of Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)

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

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC: "I Love to Tell the Story", William Fischer Roy Campbell

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament: Psalm 8

New Testament: Ephesians 3:7-21

Lay Reader Gary Sylvester

Pew Bible page 427

Pew Bible page 950, 951

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF REFLECTION #366 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

1 Have Thine own way, Lord!

Have Thine own way!

Thou art the potter,

I am the clay!

Mold me and make me

After Thy will,

While I am waiting,

Yielded and still.

2 Have Thine own way, Lord!

Have Thine own way!

Search me and try me,

Savior, today!

*Wash me just now, Lord,
Wash me just now,
As in Thy presence
Humbly I bow.*

*3 Have Thine own way, Lord!
Have Thine own way!
Wounded and weary,
Help me, I pray!
Power, all power,
Surely is Thine!
Touch me and heal me,
Savior divine!*

SERMON: “To Land Among the Stars”

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Adkins

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*, Helen Howarth Lemmel

Roy Campbell

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.*

***CLOSING HYMN #249 “Standing on the Promises”**

*1 Standing on the promises of Christ, my King,
Through eternal ages let His praises ring;
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.*

Refrain:

*Standing on the promises, standing on the promises,
standing on the promises of God, my Savior;
standing on the promises, standing on the promises,
I'm standing on the promises of God.*

*2 Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]*

*3 Standing on the promises of Christ, the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God. [Refrain]*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *“Bridge Over Troubled Waters”*, Paul Simon

Roy Campbell

**Please stand if you are able*

Mission of the Month

Our Mission for the month of August is to collect funds for The Salvation Army Food Bank. They service those in need across our area by providing nutritious, hot meals or groceries. Please make your check payable to the church, please note "Missions" in the comment line. As always, we thank our church members for their generosity.

This Week

Sunday, August 27 – Church Committee Meeting, 11:30 am (P)
NA 6:00 pm (FH)

Monday, August 28 - AA 7:30 pm (BMR)

Tuesday, August 29 – NA 7:30 pm (BH)

Saturday, September 2 – AA 12 PM (BMR)
NA 7:30 pm (BH)

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