

Maple Street Congregational Church United Church of Christ

*No matter who you are or where you are on your faith journey,
you are welcome here!*



July 9, 2017 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 a.m.

*Child care is offered for 3 and under during Worship at "Kid's Korner" in the hall behind the Sanctuary.
We share at 8:50 our prayers for joys and concerns. During coffee hour announcements may be given.*

PRELUDE

(A time for meditation in preparation for worshipping God)

WORDS OF GATHERING AND WELCOME



CALL TO WORSHIP

- LEADER: Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.
PEOPLE: **Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure,**
LEADER: It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us.
PEOPLE: **We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?**
LEADER: Actually, who are you *not* to be? You are a child of God.
You playing small doesn't serve the world.
PEOPLE: **There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.**
LEADER: We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.
PEOPLE: **It's not just in some of us. It's in everyone.**
LEADER: And as we let our light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.
ALL: **As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others. Amen.**

(From Borderlands/La Frontera by Gloria Anzaldùra)



***OPENING HYMN**

God of Grace and God of Glory

Blue No. 366

** Please stand as you are able.*



***INVOCATION OF GOD’S PRESENCE (IN UNISON)**

Gracious God enter into our presence today and open our hearts and minds to the work of your Holy Spirit. Show us where love, compassion and faith are needed in every moment. Give us the courage to hope. Bind us together in a worshipping community sensitive to the fears and needs of each other and the promise of your unconditional love; through Christ Jesus our guide, who taught us to pray, saying...



***THE LORD’S PRAYER (IN UNISON)**

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.



***RESPONSE**

Tune: Blue No. 241

Spirit divine, attend our prayers and
Make this world thy home;
Descend with all thy gracious powers,
O come, great Spirit, come!

ANTHEM

How Great Thou Art
Amy Brierley, alto

Stuart K. Hine



***HYMN**

I Need Thee Every Hour
(At the end of the hymn, children and youth are invited to
the Covenant Room for an all-age activity.)

Blue No. 342



SILENT PRAYER AND PASTORAL PRAYER

*You are invited to complete the “Connection Card” if you are new,
need to update information or have special requests*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

El Shaddai
Amy Brierley, alto

Michael Card and John Thompson

Maple Street News



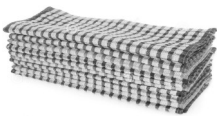
**Today is the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and
Food Collection Sunday**

We are grateful to **Amy Brierley** for offering special music for worship this morning.

8:50 am Prayers for Joys and Concerns

9:00 am Morning Worship. Babycare is offered for children 3 and under.

10:30 am Please join the Maple Street Church family in the Memory Garden after Worship for *Lemonade in the Shade* and “cool” fellowship.



We do appreciate those conscientious members who take used dish towels home from the kitchen to launder. However, our supply in the kitchen is very low, and we ask that those who have taken towels to launder return them to the kitchen as soon as possible. *Thank you for your help.*

Beginning July 6, Linda will be out of the office on medical leave until the end of August. We are pleased to have Emilia Emerson here during her absence to help the staff and to answer the phones; we ask for your patience and understanding during this time. *Thank you.*



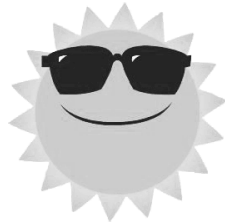
If you have something you need our Sexton to do (set up tables and chairs, open the building, etc.), please complete one of the “Sexton Request Forms” on the table just outside the Sanctuary in the hall and place it in the Sexton’s mailbox. Thank you.



Need extra chairs? The trustees will soon be disposing of the old grey metal chairs, so if you are interested in, or know a group or organization that could use them, please contact Val Billingham or Steve Horn, our trustees' chairpersons.



Memory Garden Watering: please consider signing up for a week or more to help water this special garden during this summer. If you can help, you can sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4baaaa2dabf94-watering> The garden committee needs “waterers” to keep the plants and flowers blooming!



Summer Hours

Sunday Worship 9am in the Chapel
Monday, 10 am—12 pm
Tuesday through Thursday, 9 am—12 pm
Friday the office is closed

This Week at Maple Street

Tuesday

9:15 am

A New Day Yoga in the Reception Room

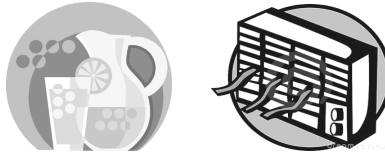


Friday

Offices Closed

Sunday

**Worship at 9 am in “prayer-conditioned” chapel
Lemonade in the shade**



Reminders



TODAY is **FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY**. This collection benefits the Danvers People to People Food Pantry. Non-perishable food, canned proteins and diapers are needed. Any and all donations are very much appreciated! *Please help.*

Your old eyeglasses can change another person's life! If you have used eyeglasses you no longer need, please put them in the collection box located on the shelf in the Social Hall near the Lost and Found board. Children's eyeglasses are particularly needed.





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Our Worship Services are recorded each week and aired on Danvers Comcast Channel 99 and Verizon Channel 36, Sunday 10:00 am and 7:00 pm (one week delay)

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday 10 am-12 pm; Tuesday through Thursday 9 am-12 pm; Closed Friday

Pastor Kevin Smith is available for home visitation, member weddings, funerals, memorial services, baptisms, and pastoral counseling. Pastor Pam is also available. Feel free to contact Pastor Kevin or Pastor Pam if you need a listening ear, if you want to discuss the work of the congregation, or if you would like to join Maple Street Church!

Office schedules can vary for ministers as they attend meetings, attend to church business, write and prepare for Sunday worship away from the office, visit members of the congregation, and more, so it's always wise to call or e-mail to make an appointment if at all possible. Pastor Kevin's day off is Friday. Pastor Pam's day off is Monday. Pastor Kevin's worship preparation times are Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon when he will be out of the office. Pastor Kevin is available 24/7 in case of emergencies and also has office hours on Sunday until 2 pm in addition to weekdays. You can contact both at the Church Office phone listed above, the emails listed above, or you can contact Pastor Kevin at 978-968-5020.

***Doxology**

Blue No. 64, verse 5

**Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia. Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one. O praise him, O praise him.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 15:21-28

Pew Bible pg. 895

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

SERMON

"Enter Into The Borderlands With Hope"

Pastor Kevin

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness

Black No. 179

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Shalom to You Now

Please join in singing

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

POSTLUDE

*Our Worship together concludes with the Benediction Response.
The Postlude is transitional music which inspires us as we go
forth as disciples to serve God and one another.
Worship has ended. Our Service Begins*



Welcome to Maple Street Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. If you are here for the first time, please fill out the “Connection Card” and pass it on to an usher or put it in the collection plate. Our ushers and greeters are happy to answer any questions. Nursery care, with a trained staff, is offered throughout the worship service.

The church of disciples who welcome you!
Visit our web page at www.maplestreetchurch.org

Sunday’s Servants:

Deacon of the Week: Marge Hathaway
Special Assistant to the Deacon: Bob Wilkinson

*The Steeple is lit in memory of Oliver and Harper Wheeler
By Karen Kilty
The flowers in the Chancel are in loving memory of Donald Wheeler
Given by Arlene Wheeler*

Donating flowers for the altar or narthex is a wonderful way to honor a loved one. If you wish to donate flowers, please contact Pat Newman at 978-739-4022.

Our lighted steeple is an important symbol of our presence in the community. Your contributions in memory of loved ones and friends or to commemorate a special event help keep the steeple lighted. If you would like to have the steeple lighted for one or more weeks, please fill out the form below and send it with \$15 per week to the church office.

I would like the steeple lighted in memory of: _____

I would like the steeple lighted in honor of: _____

Requested date (if available) to light: _____

(signed) _____ Telephone Number: _____