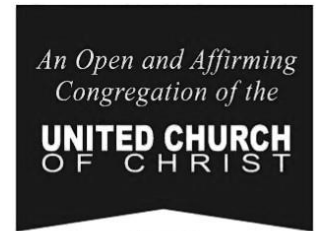




38 South Winooski Avenue
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January 30, 2022

10 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE

Majesty

arr. Fred Bock

Carlanne Herzog, *piano*

WORDS OF WELCOME

Hannah Sachs

***CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION**

Simon & Asa Jorgenson

From Psalm 19

One: God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

All: God calls us to be builders as well.

One: God calls us to build our lives:

All: to restore broken places, and continue to grow.

One: God calls us to build our faith:

All: to study the scriptures, and ponder their interpretation.

One: God calls us to build our community:

All: to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.

One: God calls us to build history, by fulfilling the promises of scripture:

All: to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

One: Let us pray:

SPECIAL MUSIC

How Firm a Foundation

#407 vV. 2,3,5 NCH

*Remote worshipers are invited to submit prayer requests via YouTube chat –
prayer requests received prior to the sermon will be shared during "Prayers of the People."*

GOSPEL READING

From Luke 4:21-30

Paul Bloomhardt

TIME OF UNBURDENING

The Rev. Elissa Johnk

by Rev. Gord

One: God you have given each of us many gifts,

**All: but sometimes we cannot recognize what gift we have to share,
so we hide it.**

One: God you remind us that all gifts are needed,

**All: but sometimes we are convinced
that some gifts are better than others.**

One: God you call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of one body,

**All: but sometimes we decide that membership in the body
is limited by our understandings.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PASSING THE PEACE

WORD OF GOD FOR (SM)ALL AGES

Hilah Clarke

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

Help Us Accept Each Other

#388 vV. 1-3 NCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

SILENT 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 debts

as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

arr. Lavawan Riley

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

arr. Victor L. Gumma

Judy Doerner and Gayle Wilcox, bells, Carlanne Herzog, piano

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First Congregational Church at 38 South Winooski Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401

*DOXOLOGY

#780 NCH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

O Jesus, I Have Promised

#493 vV. 1,2 NCH

*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

arr. by Jack Schrader

**Please stand as you are able, in body or in spirit.*

Fellowship on Zoom: All worshipping remotely are invited to a virtual time in fellowship following worship. The Zoom link is in the YouTube description for this morning's live stream and on the front page of the First Church website: www.firstchurchburlington.org

SPECIAL THANKS to today's musicians: Carlanne Herzog, piano; Judy Doerner, bells; Gayle Wilcox, bells.

WELCOME VISITORS!

Welcome to First Congregational Church in Burlington. Our faith is over 2,000 years old, but our thinking is not! First Church opens its doors to the Greater Burlington area, to seekers, to tourists from near and far, to those in need, to an array of building users, and to a congregation (of members, friends, and family—both curious and the committed) who call our faith community their church home.

We celebrate the sacred worth of all persons as unique individuals made in the image of God. Whatever your age, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, or physical, cognitive, or emotional ability, we invite you to find a safe and nurturing spiritual home with us. All are welcome to participate, fully and without reservation, in the life, leadership, ministry and mission of this church as we seek to grow together in a community of faith.

The First Congregational Church of Burlington is an Open & Affirming Church of the United Church of Christ. This means everyone – **everyone** – is welcome. Including YOU!

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• Lou Rochford, *Digital Usher*

Many thanks to all our musicians who are helping out while we wait for our new Music Director, Amy Shortt to arrive in mid-February!

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