



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 1, 2021
10:00 a.m.



The First Congregational Church of Greenwich declares itself to be open and affirming; open to all for participation, membership, leadership, and employment, and affirming of all who wish to join us as children of God.

We continue to give thanks for God's guidance in our journey of faith.

We welcome you this day and are glad you made the choice to join us for this worship service. May it be a blessing to you.

Please join us in the Memory Garden (weather permitting) after worship for Community Hour.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 am Greenwich Point (through August 29)

10:00 am Meetinghouse

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A REMINDER

THERE IS ONLY A [BEACH SERVICE](#) NEXT WEEK – SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 AT 8 A.M.

A wedding in being held in the Meetinghouse at 10 a.m.

Please pass the word!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

CALL TO COMMUNITY

Rev. Cydney Van Dyke

PRELUDE

Prelude on "All Things Bright And Beautiful"

Sandra Eithun (b. 1963)

Dr. Craig Scott Symons, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bread Of Life

Kelly Ann Hall

† HYMN

Brethren, We Have Met To Worship

Tune: Holy Manna

1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.
 2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo-ses' sis - ter aid - ed him.
 3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?
 4 Let us love our God su - preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.

Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?
 Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?
 Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?
 Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.

All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.
 Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.
 Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis - ters, let your prayers a - bound!
 Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.

Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man - na will be show-ered all a-round.
 Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man - na will be scat-tered all a-round.
 Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.

† Please rise in body or in spirit

PRAYER (in unison)

**Lord,
the eyes of all look to You in hope;
and You give them what they need.
You open Your hand
and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.**

**We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled—
to eat of the Bread of Life,
to drink from Your life-giving streams,
to taste Your goodness and live.**

**May the time we spend together in Your presence
nourish our hearts and minds;
may it strengthen our relationship with You,
and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples.**

**For You alone are God,
the Source and Sustainer of life.**

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Christine Longhurst

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Patrick Collins

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15
New International Version
Lynn Robertson

In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions.

Then Moses told Aaron, "Say to the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.'"

While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

The LORD said to Moses, “I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, ‘At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.’”

That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was.

ANTHEM

The Lord Is A Mighty God
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)
The Summer Choir
Lauren Mickley, conductor

The Lord is a mighty God and a mighty ruler over all false idols.

Psalm 95:3

SECOND LESSON

John 6: 24-35
New International Version

Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, “Rabbi, when did you get here?”

Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.”

Then they asked him, “What must we do to do the works God requires?”

Jesus answered, “The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.”

So they asked him, “What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”

Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”

“Sir,” they said, “always give us this bread.”

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

MESSAGE

All Who Are Hungry
Rev. Patrick Collins

MULTIMEDIA REFLECTION

Better
Pat Barrett

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION RESPONSE

Capo 1: (E) (B) (A) (E) (A)

Refrain F C B^b F B^b

All

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness

of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and

see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord. *Fine*

(E) (F[#]m) (B7) (E) (B) (A)
F Gm C7 F C B^b

(E) (A) (E) (F[#]m7) (B7) (E)
F B^b F Gm7 C7 F

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Receiving the Bread and Cup

*In the tradition of our church, let us partake of the bread (gluten-free) and the cup together,
remembering our individual uniqueness in the eyes of God
and our diversity and unity within the body of Christ.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (unison)

Gracious God, in gratitude, in deep gratitude, for this moment, this meal, these people. We give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared this sacrament and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. Amen.

† HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Tune: Cwm Rhondda



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious
bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me
with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es
feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

† Please rise in body or in spirit

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

God Of Grace
Paul Manz (1919 – 2009)

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8 AM BEACH SERVICES AT GREENWICH POINT

Join us each Sunday at Greenwich Point near the Innis Arden Cottage for a beautiful time of worship and meditation. All you need is your own beach chair.

September 5, Labor Day weekend, will we have our final outdoor service in the Memory Garden. That's one of the 3 blackout dates we were given from the town.

You do not need to be a Greenwich resident to attend. Simply tell the attendant at the gatehouse you're here for First Church beach service. We hope to see you there!



The Rummage Room

Business Hours

Monday – Thursday 11 – 3

Donations are accepted

Wednesday & Thursday 11 – 3

We are in need of summer clothing and shoes for Men and Women. Also, ladies handbags and jewelry. If you have cleared out your closet, now is the time to donate. (We are also accepting Fall and Winter clothing)

Just a reminder: The Rummage Room closes for August, to clean and re-paint and re-stock. We will close on August 6th and reopen on Tuesday September 7th.

If you have donations, please bring them down before we close. There will be no donations accepted while we are closed.



NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR FOOD COLLECTION BASKET

Did you know that there is a basket in the Meetinghouse entryway where you can drop off food for Neighbor to Neighbor?

Folks from the Outreach Committee regularly take whatever is collected over to N2N to help those in need from the local area.

Tuna, chili, beans, canned fruit, rice, jelly, and other non-perishable items are needed to help stock their pantry.

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