

## Order of Worship

*Let us be as open vessels that God's spirit may enter.*

**The Community Gathers:** Experience God's presence in the assembly. Please greet one another with joy and welcome new friends into our community of love.

*You are welcome here...come and worship!*

**Focus:** "Difference is the essence of humanity. Difference is an accident of birth and it should therefore never be the source of hatred or conflict. The answer to difference is to respect it. Therein lies a most fundamental principle of peace: respect for diversity."

– John Hume 1998 Nobel Peace Prize Winner

### 9:55 Preparation for worship:

**Gathering Music:** *One Love (by Bob Marley)*

-Michelle Currie

### Responsive Call to Worship:

**L:** Welcome today to a celebration of God's love.

**P:** We are grateful for this welcome.

**L:** Feel the loving power of God flow into your lives.

**P:** We open our hearts and lives to receive God's blessings.

**L:** Come, let us worship God who is always with us.

**P:** Lord, be with us today as we listen for your words of hope.

Amen.

**Opening Hymn:** We Are One in the Spirit

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### Invocation:

Mysterious God,

You reveal yourself in Jesus, your Beloved Child

who gives us a glimpse of your glory and invites us to share in the unity of all that is Holy: the holiness that is

You, your creation, your people. United in the Spirit that breaks through all boundaries of fear and injustice.

Meet us here today, O Creator, and teach us to be one:

One in love for each other

One in love for Creation

One in understanding with all who find in  
Jesus the Way to You

One in peace with all who find other paths to your Truth.

We ask all this in the name of Jesus, whose prayer was ever: "May they all be one."

### Lord's Prayer:

**Awakening:** *We Are One (by Connor Ross)*

-Michelle Currie

### Message for the children and the child in each of us:

**Scripture Reading:** Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

-Rich Westley

After the reading, you may respond, "Thanks be to God."

**Meditation:** "The Power of One"

Rev. Paula Norbert

**Sermon Response:** *We Are One (by Runaground)*

-Michelle Currie

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Words of Invitation

The Bread and The Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Communion Music:** *Loaves Were broken, Words Were Spoken*

(James H. Wood)

-Michelle Currie

### Prayers of the People

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

**Offertory:** *Living Waters (by Keith & Kristyn Getty)*

-Michelle Currie

**Musical call to Prayer: (two times)** Hush now in quiet peace, be still your mind at ease. The Spirit brings release, so wait upon the Lord.

### Call To Offertory:

**Doxology:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication:**

**Children's Sharing Time:**

**Closing Hymn: Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

Blest be the tie that binds  
Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds  
Is like to that above.

**Benediction**

Go forth in the Peace of Christ, renewed in Unity,  
thirsting for Justice, rejoicing in the love of God for  
our Earth and all of God's people. **Amen.**

**Recessional: *Go in Peace***

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day.  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.  
celebrate and share the joy. Celebrate new life.  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always

Thank you to Music Director and our Musician today: Michelle Currie

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If you are interested in joining Union Church or would like to set up a time to meet with our Pastor, please contact Pastor Paula directly.

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# *Union Church*

## *Biddeford Pool*

*...a place of peace and Presence by the sea*



*you are welcome here...*  
*One in Love and Mission*  
*June 2, 2019 – 9:30 A.M.*