

## Order of Worship: “Tuning In”

*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:** *Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed... Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders.*  
Henry David Thoreau

### 9:55 Preparation for worship:

#### Opening:

#### Gathering Music: Come and Find, verse 1

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded lives we lead  
Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:  
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see  
All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be...

#### Welcome:

#### Responsive Call to Worship: Prayer for Clearing Out

Let us pray a “prayer for clearing out...”

God of our Present Moments, we struggle to make sense of our choices.

**Let us *make* room for You.**

Draw us in to this time of worship to tune into the bigger picture.

**Let us *find* room for You.**

Help us clear out the false ideals that drive us away from what’s important.

**Let us *be* room for You.**

In the name of Jesus, who invites us to wholeness.

**Amen.**

#### Opening Hymn: Morning has Broken

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#### Invocation:

#### Lord’s Prayer:

**Awakening:** *Angel* (by Sarah McLachlan) -Cheryl Sager & Neal Zweig

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

**Scripture:** Luke 10:38-42, A Lenten Psalm of Longing by Edward Hays  
-Anne Murray

After the reading, you may respond with “Thanks Be to God.”.

**Sermon:** Revisiting Martha and Mary Rev. Paula Norbert

**Sermon Response:** *Meditative/Improvisational Instrumental ~ Make Me A Channel of Your Peace*  
-Neal Zweig

**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.

#### Prayers of the People:

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

#### Quiet Reflection in Prayer Chair:

#### The God Box and The Serenity Prayer:

#### Music: Come and Find, verse 2

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,  
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base  
Making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,  
Raising courage when we’re shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

**Offertory:** *All Is Well* (by Cinde Borup)

-Cheryl Sager & Neal Zweig

**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:

Closing Hymn: Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

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Children's Sharing Time:

Benediction

Rev. Paula Norbert

May you know that you are worthy  
to choose the depth of the present moment.  
May you dwell in the home that is God's love.  
May you tune in to the directions of life that feed your spirit.  
And may you be reacquainted each day with an unhurried God  
who is calling you to dive deeply into love. Amen.

Recessional: Come and Find, Verse 3

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,  
Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we  
gain: There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a  
time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming there  
is always room to spare.

Thank you to our Guest Musicians today: Cheryl Sager & Neal  
Zweig, and to our Children's Minister, Gail Quinney.

Worship Materials: Worship Design Studios, Marcia McPhee.  
Words for the theme song, "Come and Find the Quiet Center" by  
Shirley Erena Murray. Tune: Beach Spring.

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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.

# *Union Church*

## *Biddeford Pool*

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



**Reconnecting with an Unhurried God**  
**Third Sunday in Lent**  
*You are welcome here*  
**March 24, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.**