

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: "Keep close to Nature's heart...and break clear away, once in awhile, and climb a mountain or spend a week in the woods. Wash your spirit clean."
-John Muir

9:55 Preparation for worship:

Gathering Music: *God on the Mountain* (by Traci G. Hartt) -Michelle Currie

Responsive Call to Worship:

L: Great Spirit of God, you have healed our wounds.

P: You have brought us from paths of hurt and anger.

L: You have blessed our life that we might be a blessing to others.

P: Let us worship you in great joy.

L: Let us remember the ways you have turned our mourning into dancing.

P: Let us give thanks to you forever. Amen.

Opening Hymn: Sing A New Song unto the Lord #276

Invocation:

God of power and might, let your love shine on us and through us to others. Take the blindness from our eyes and our hearts. Give us the joy of knowing and serving you in all that we say, think and do. In Jesus' Name, we pray,

Lord's Prayer:

Awakening: *The Climb* (by Jessi Alexander/John Mabe) -Michelle Currie

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

Everything Spring by Jill Esbaum

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:1-6, John 21: 1-19. Ada Goff
After the reading, you may respond, "Thanks be to God."

Sermon: The Second Mountain (from a piece by David Brooks, NYT)
Rev. Paula Norbert

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Words of Invitation

The Bread and The Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Meditation Music: *Instrumental ~ Psalm 34*

(by James E. Moore)

-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.

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory: *Someone Who Loves Me* (by Sara Bareilles)

-Michelle Currie

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/Offertory Prayer:

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:

You are people of the Resurrection! You know the powerful love of God! Go into God's world proclaiming hope, peace, and joy, in the name of the Risen Lord.

Response: 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.
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Welcome Back and Thank you to our 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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Biddeford Pool

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by the sea*



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May 5, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.