

First Congregational Church of Rowley, United Church of Christ
The Order of Morning Worship
Pentecost Sunday - Drive in Service
May 31, 2020 - 10 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements.

Rev. Tom Bentley

Call to Worship (*inspired by Psalm 104*)

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God
You are good and You are very great.

All: All the Time.

Leader: You give us the sky above us.

All: Praise be to You O God!

Leader: You give us the depth of the oceans,
the power of the winds, the immensity of the earth.

All: Praise be to You O God!

Leader: You make springs gush forth in the valleys
and they flow between the hills.

All: Thank you God for the miracle of life.
Let us sing to God as long as we live.

Opening Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Tom Bentley

Opening Hymn: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
(Lyrics enclosed – see insert)

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New Testament Reading **1 Corinthians 12:3b-13. NRSV** **Sharon Emery**

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.



For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Moment of Music. TBD

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

Gospel Reading

John 7:37-39 *The Message*

Sharon Emery

³On the final and climactic day of the Feast, Jesus took his stand. He cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Rivers of living water will brim and spill out of the depths of anyone who believes in me this way, just as the Scripture says." (He said this in regard to the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were about to receive. The Spirit had not yet been given because Jesus had not yet been glorified.)

Message: Rev. Tom Bentley. Drinking of the One Spirit

Benediction: Rev. Tom Bentley



***First Congregational Church, U.C.C.
Rowley, Massachusetts***

Notice of Special Church Meeting

May 22, 2020

To The Members of the First Congregational Church, U.C.C.
Rowley, Massachusetts

There will be a special meeting of the church membership, called by the Clerk, on Sunday, June 7, 2020 starting no earlier than 9:30 am prior to the 10:00 am "drive in" worship service.

The agenda items for the special church meeting are:

- To hear and act on a report from the Nominating Committee for elections of Officers, Boards and Committees for the following church year. (Article II of the Annual Meeting Agenda). The Annual Reports of the Officers, Boards and Committees will be received at the Semi-Annual Meeting in November.
- To hear and act on a recommendation from the Diaconate on church membership.
- Any Other Business that May Properly Come Before the Church Membership

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Irving

David E. Irving, Clerk