



MAPLE STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

FEBRUARY 16, 2020 • SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY,

Our worship services begin every Sunday at 10:00 am. Childcare is offered for 3 and under at “Kid’s Korner” in the hall behind the Sanctuary. We share at 9:50 our joys & concerns. Fellowship hour follows worship in the Social Hall.

PRELUDE

Gymnopédie No.1

Erik Satie

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 29)

One: O lilies of the field, we of all colors and all varieties,
GOD calls us to hear the Word.

**All: We have been planted in faith,
So we turn our faces to you, O GOD.**

One: O people of the plains, the cities and the mountains,
we of all colors, theologies and life choices,
we are God’s field.

Come into God’s sanctuary with joy!

**All: You have cultivated us, O GOD.
Let us vine and blossom
And bear the fruit of your integrity.**

One: O we of mustard seeds and wheat,
we of little faith and great, we come.

**All: We come to the Living Waters,
to the Sun of love and light.
We will drink of your ways, O GOD,
and we will sow your seeds.**

One: O, all who are of the world,
come and see what GOD has grown.

**All: We come to worship you.
We stand in the sunshine of your living word.
We prosper in your paths, O GOD,
as the lilies of your field.**

***HYMN**

All Beautiful the March of Days

Black No.433

**Please stand as you are able.*

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (UNISON)**

God of grace and majesty, we exalt you
Creator of all living things,
you live with us today,
shining like the February sun,
and promising tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow.
The crocus tells us you are near
and the snow-drops make vows you alone can keep.
May we find you in every blooming thing beneath the snows of our lives.
May we see you in the brightness of the morning
streaming through these windows.
May we know you in the promise of today and today and today –
becoming, always becoming. *(Worship Ways, UCC)*

***THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)**

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 trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass 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.

***RESPONSE**

Tune: Red No. 241

Spirit divine, attend our prayers and
make this world thy home;
Descend with all thy gracious
powers, O come, great Spirit, come!

ANTHEM

The Summons

Traditional Scottish melody;
words by John Bell

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***HYMN**

God, Speak to Me That I May Speak

Black No.531

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Pam Cochrane

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

O, the Winter

Traditional, arr. Peter Amidon

MSC THIS WEEK



Today at Church

- 10:00 am** Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary with
Mission Muffins in the Social Hall
following worship
- 11:30 am** Stewardship Meeting in conference room

Monday

Nursery School is closed this week for winter break

Tuesday

- 9:30 am** Acolyte Training Program in the Sanctuary & Chapel
- 12:00 pm** Danvers Interfaith Partnership Meeting at All Saints
- 1:00 pm** Accessibility Meeting in the Reception Room
- 6:00 pm** Prayer & Table in Chapel

Wednesday

- 9:30 am** Yoga in Reception Room
- 7:00 pm** Sandwichers in the Reception Room

Thursday

- 7:30 pm** Chancel Choir Music Room

Sunday

- 10:00 am** Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm** Boy Scouts in the Social Hall

Announcements & Save the Dates

The next issue of *The inSpire* will cover March-May. **The deadline for articles, news, and events is Tomorrow February 17th.**

Please email them to: info@maplestreetchurch.org

White Sock Drive

The World Service Committee is collecting unisex **new, white socks**. Half of the socks will go with the Youth Group to bring to Common Cathedral in Boston when they go to feed the homeless and the other half will go to Lifebridge in Salem. **We will be collecting the socks starting February 16 through March 22 in a basket on the Social Hall stage.** The Women's Group will gather them and package them ready to go. Thank you!



Wednesday, February 19th at 7pm:
Sandwichers meet in the Reception Room



Wednesday, February 26th at 10am:
Women's Group meet in the Reception Room

Shine On, Carrying the Light of Christ:
Tuesday, February 18th from 9:30am - 12:00pm
Calling all children ages 5- up!

All children are invited to learn about the Ministry of 'Acolytes and their role in the church. Younger children will be able to participate with lanterns and older children will be able to practice and complete training. Current acolytes encouraged to attend. With support from the Deacons, this special program is 'offered and will be lead by Karen Kilty. Come hear the story of "carrying the light" and how to participate in the Acolyte Program at MSC. Please RSVP to revpammsc@gmail.com to sign-up for this event.



Shrove Tuesday:

February 25th—Come feast on pancakes before we prepare for Ash Wednesday and the Season of Lent.



Ash Wednesday:

February 26th—**Prayer & Table at 6pm in the Chapel.**
This will replace the regular Tuesday Prayer & Table for this week.

Sunday, March 1st: *All-Age Worship & Communion*
Common Art Gallery Show in the Social Hall

Sunday, March 15th: *Stewardship Sunday*



Sunday, March 29th: *Special Music Sunday*
Celebrating 175 Years of Maple Street Church



Sunday, April 5th: *Palm Sunday and an All-Age*
Worship with Communion

Thursday, April 9th: *Maundy Thursday*

Friday, April 10th: *Good Friday*

Sunday, April 12th: *Easter Sunday*





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Welcome! If you are here for the first time, please fill out a connection card and place it in the offering plate. Nursery care, with a trained staff, is offered during the worship service. Sunday School for children and youth takes place following the beginning of the second hymn except on “First Sundays.”

***We share God’s love, hope, and healing and serve our neighbors.
No matter who you are or where you are on your faith journey,
you are welcome here!***

Everyone is welcome at Maple Street Church, people of all races, economic means, sexual orientations, long-time church people, and folks who have never been to church. We affirm that everyone is a child of God and is welcomed to participate in the whole life of the church. Join us in building a beloved community and finding greater meaning through faith and action.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, & Friday: 9:30am-12:30pm; Wed & Thurs: 9am-3pm

***DOXOLOGY**

Lyrics: Thomas Ken, Tune: Red No. 64

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose pow'r uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)**

**O God, you give us inner peace so that we can move forward with confidence.
Receive these gifts that we bring and help us to bring peace to the world in
your name. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE—Deuteronomy 30:15-20 & Matthew 5:21-26

Pew Bible pgs. 180; 838

SERMON

"Common Ground"

Rev. Pam Cochrane

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Black No.495

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Je te veux

Erik Satie

*Our Worship together concludes with the Benediction.
The Postlude is transitional music which inspires us as we go forth as
disciples to serve God and one another. Worship has ended.
Our Service Begins. . .*



Our Worship Services are aired on Danvers Comcast Channel 99 and
Verizon Channel 36, Sunday 10am & 7pm
(one week delay)

Sunday's Servants:

Deacons of the Month: Gisela Turner

Ushers: Donna Mandriota, Peggy Coyne, Donna Eovacious, & Donna Tapin

Special Assistant to the Deacon: Bob Wilkinson

Scripture Reader: Gayla Bartlett

Backdoor Greeter: Marie Cooper

*The altar flowers are given in loving memory of
Sally & Dan O'Connell
Given by the Crotts Family*

*The chancel flowers are given in celebration of
Gayla Bartlett's Birthday
Given by Aaron, Michaela, Donna Willis, Lucky & Patrick*

If you would like to have the steeple lighted for one or more weeks, please fill out the form below and send it with \$15 per week to the church office.

I would like the steeple lighted in memory: _____

OR in honor/celebration of: _____

Requested date (if available) to light: _____

Signed: _____

Telephone Number: _____

