

MAPLE STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

*March 27, 2022 · Fourth Sunday of Lent
& Stewardship Sunday*



WELCOME

Rev. Pam Cochrane

PRELUDE

Jihye Jung

CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Psalm 32)

One: Happy are those who experience the grace of God

Many: Who find forgiveness and mercy from the Holy One.

One: Happy are those who experience the steadfast love of God

Many: Who find peace even in times of trial.

One: Happy are those who experience rest in God

Many: Who find sabbath to renew their spirit.

***HYMN**

All My Hope on God Is Founded

Black No. 408

INVOCATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE (UNISON)

Holy God, Holy Renewal,

**After times of broken relationships, painful injustices, and feeling deserted,
we enter this season yearning for restoration and your comforting grace.**

**In this time of wilderness and reflection, we evaluate the relationships between us
and our neighbors. Fill our weary souls with hope. Lead us on roads of renewal,
and focus our minds as we ponder our callings in your realm. Amen.**

in the name of the one...

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 today our daily bread. 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, for ever and ever, Amen.

***SUNG 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!

PRAYER OF REFLECTION & GROWTH

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

God, our Divine Parent, runs towards us with infinite love and grace. May the mercy we experience transform our minds, hearts, and souls. May we extend God's grace as we run towards our Divine Parent.

**Please stand as you are able.*

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Judy Drouin

SPECIAL MUSIC

You Raise Me Up
Chancel Choir

arr. Tom Fettke

OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

**Loving God, Holy Fountain of Blessings,
With gratitude, we celebrate the offerings we share with you and this community
today. May they enliven our spirits, building excitement around us, and creating a
culture of giving. Open us to new possibilities for using our gifts to build the dignity
of all and to strengthen our neighborhoods. Amen.**

***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!**

SCRIPTURE READING— 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Gayla Bartlett
pew Bible pg. 1006

MESSAGE

"Fruits Of The Spirit"

Rev. Pam Cochrane

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Douglas Vooy

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

How Can I Keep from Singing?

Black No. 476

BENEDICTION

May our spirits come alive in this season of Lent
When we run to God, our Divine Parent, with the hopes of strengthening our bonds,
When we embrace the Christ, our Divine Neighbor, with the hopes of reconciliation,
When we breathe with the Spirit, our Divine Encourager, in the hopes of peace.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

Jihye Jung

*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. . .*

*The altar flowers this Sunday are in loving memory of
Stephen Napolitano
Remembered by his wife Jennifer and daughters Francesca & Miranda*

Sunday's Servants:

Ushers: Donna Mandriota, Pam Perkins, & Gayla Bartlett

Deacon: Mark Kulakowski

Scripture Reader: Gayla Bartlett

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Sunday Morning Worship Service at 10am

Our Sunday Morning Worship service features an in-person worship service at 10am in the Sanctuary that is also livestreamed on our social media platforms to viewers at home. For those who wish to join in worship from home, you can watch the service livestreamed at 10am on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/MapleStreetChurchWelcomes, on our website: www.maplestreetchurch.org, or watch courtesy of DCAT Public Access on Comcast 99 or Verizon 36.

Zoom Prayer & Table Worship — Tuesdays at 6pm

Zoom Bible Study — Thursdays at 12noon

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9 am – 2 pm;

Fridays: 9 am – 2 pm working remote

Know someone in need of support from the Care Giver's Team or who would like to be added to the prayer chain? Contact Pastor Pam (781-956-2371) or Pastor Douglas (781-363-2380) directly on their cell phones.