



## **Maple Street Congregational Church, UCC**

*We share God's love, hope, and healing and serve our neighbors.*

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## for May 30, 2021

### *First Sunday after Pentecost*

**Prelude**

Ji Hye Jung

**Welcome**

Rev. Douglas Vooyo

**Anthem**

*I Will Arise*

words - Joseph Hart

1759 traditional melody arr. Peter Amidon

2021 Virtual Choir - Sopranos: Janet Barnes, Faith Bertrand;  
Altos: Amy Brierley, Judy Drouin, Kathy Gross, Jennifer Napolitano;  
Tenors & Basses: Ed Rozmiarek, Ed Bertrand, Jeff Sauer

**Call to Worship**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son  
That whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

**Let those who know they are redeemed celebrate it!**

**Those who have been reclaimed from deep trouble, rejoice!**

God made us alive with the grace of Christ,  
through whom we are rescued and healed.

**O give thanks to God for such unswerving love  
for such wonderful deeds for the children of the earth. Amen**

**Invocation of God's Presence**

Just as you can hear the wind, but can't tell where it comes from or where it is going, so is the Holy Spirit of God. She is invisible like the wind. We do not see her moving among us, but the effect we see comes upon our hearts through renewal and rebirth. Open our minds Holy Spirit that we may perceive your kingdom refreshed. Open our eyes to the healing light of Christ's love, its fullness in our lives and presence as we worship. Amen.

**Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Grace**

Holy God, we know that you are always there to lead us,  
yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear.  
We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize  
our need for you to lift us up and help us start again.  
Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and  
reconcile us with you, ourselves and each other,  
through the power of Christ and the gift of our Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Words of Assurance**

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger,  
and abounding in steadfast love.  
Believe this good news: In Jesus Christ, our stories  
are known, our sins forgiven, and our lives made new. Amen.

**Time of Remembrance**

Rev. Pam Cochrane

**Special Music**

*Deep River*  
Kathy Gross, flute  
Ji Hye Jung, piano

Traditional Spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes

**Prayer of the People**

Rev. Douglas Vooyo

**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 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.**

**Invitation to Offering**

**Scripture Reading—John 3:1-17**

**Message**

“Conversations with Jesus”

Rev. Douglas Vooyo

**Hymn of Response**

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*    Tune: ENDLESS SONG, Robert Lowry  
Kathy Gross, flute  
Ji Hye Jung, piano

1. My life flows on in endless song: above earth's lamentation,  
I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.  
Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;  
It finds an echo in my soul – how can I keep from singing?
2. What though my joys and comforts die? My savior still is living.  
What though the shadows gather 'round? A new song Christ is giving.  
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging;  
Since love commands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?
3. I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it.  
And day by day this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it.  
The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing;  
All things are mine since I am Christ's – how can I keep from singing?

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

Ji Hye Jung

*The flowers are in loving memory of  
Ralph H. Porter, WWI & WWII and Lillian V. Porter;  
Calvin R. Potter, Ens. WWII and Jane P. Potter, DAR;  
Nancy P. Rothwell; and Andrew Werse  
Given by the Potter Family*

*The flowers are in loving memory of our daughter  
Jessica Roy Beek  
Given by Rob & Diane Roy*

*The steeple is lit this week in loving memory of  
Betty Pennell  
Given by her Family*

## Announcements & Events

Sunday, May 30 at 10am: *First Sunday after Pentecost Worship*

Tuesday, June 1 at 7pm: *Church Council Meeting on Zoom*

Sunday, June 6 at 10am: *Second Sunday after Pentecost Worship*

Tuesday, June 8 at 7pm: *Deacons Meeting on Zoom*

Wednesday, June 9 at 6:30pm: *CE Meeting on Zoom*

Sunday, June 13 at 10am: *Third Sunday after Pentecost Worship*

Tuesday June 15 at 7pm: *World Service Meeting on Zoom*

Sunday, June 20 at 10am: *Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Worship*

Tuesday, June 22 at 7pm: *Trustees Meeting on Zoom*

Sunday, June 27 at 10am: *Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Worship*

Email the Church Office for the Zoom meeting links: [info@maplestreetchurch.org](mailto:info@maplestreetchurch.org)

**Every Tuesday at 6pm: Prayer & Table on Zoom**

Weekly Zoom **Pastor Time** and **Bible Study** will break for the summer in June but keep an eye on the weekly update for various gatherings throughout the summer.

**Summer Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday: 10 am – 1 pm

June – August we are closed on Fridays.

If you need to stop by outside these hours, please call or email first.

### Outdoor Worship in June

#### *Intergenerational Worship at 10am*

In the Shade of the Back Parking Lot and School Yard. Bring a chair and we'll gather for in-person worship & fellowship. All are welcome!



**Memorial Garden Fund:** *We are in need of new plantings and are hoping to add perennials & small shrubs that will require little to no maintenance. Please consider making a donation to the Memorial Garden Fund. If you send a check to the church, please mark the memo with "Memorial Garden Fund." Thank you, Marjory Simpson, Moderator*

### DIP Sponsored Community Garden

#### **June 21-August 27**

Calling all interested youth to join the Interfaith Community Garden at Endicott Community Garden located at the entrance to Glen Magna Farms Ingersoll St., Danvers. We will gather to learn how to garden from seed to table for the benefit of others. Our community garden effort blends faith and agriculture in asking participants to plant, pray, and proclaim, with the hope of feeding those in need while stewarding land and fostering community. All vegetables will be given to the Danvers Food Pantry to support food insecurity needs in our community. **Email [info@maplestreetchurch.org](mailto:info@maplestreetchurch.org) for an application.**

**The schedule for the summer is:**

**Children's Gardening (1st Grade -6th grade):**

Mondays 9:30-11am (June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19,26, August 2, 9, 16 and 23)

Thursdays 9:30-11am (June 24, July1, 8,15,22,29, August 5, 12, 19, 26)

**Youth Gardening 7th grade -12th grade):**

Mondays 8:30-10am (June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19,26, August 2, 9, 16 and 23)

Thursdays 8:30-10:00am (June 24, July1, 8,15,22,29, August 5, 12, 19, 26)

Saturdays 9am-12pm (June 26, July3, 10,17, 24, 31 August 7, 14, 21)

