

Whether we're a preschooler or a young teen, a graduating college senior or a retired person, we human beings all want to know that we're acceptable, that our being alive somehow makes a difference in the lives of others.  
*Dr. Fred Rogers, 20<sup>th</sup> c.*

Prayer Candles: Is there a person or relationship that needs a prayer?

Please come forward and light an individual prayer candle before our worship begins.

### Greeting One Another in Peace and Friendship Welcome and Announcements

**The Prelude** *The Prayer* Carol Bayer Sager & David Foster  
Trey Kahler, *piano*

#### The Centering Silence

\* **The Gathering Hymn** *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* # 261

\* **The Call to Worship** S. Sledge (adapted)

L: God of this morning,

P: **God of every morning,**

L: you are God enough for all of life.

P: **When it's summertime in our souls, we may forget to thank you for the high and holy moments.**

L: But when we are weak or scared or sad, we call out for your help without thinking twice.

P: **Carry our prayers to those who need the continued promise**

L: that you are the God of hope and wholeness, who rises in resurrection above all that could lead to despair.

P: **Make the night as bright as day, the seas calm, the rough places plain.**

L: Fold your joy into all the pain and loss.

P: **Break us, as morning, into reflections of your faithful love.**

**The Gathering Prayer** *You Are the Work of God* # 262

**Psalm 107** #755

**Worship Music** *Siciliane* Maria-Theresa V. Paradis  
Susan Heath, *flute*

**A Time for the Child in Each of Us** Nancy Leavitt

**Sing Our Children to Sunday School (seated)** *Go Now In Peace* # 437 (twice)

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.

**The Prayer Hymn** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* # 254

**The Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** (*unison*) *trans. from Aramaic by Mark Berry, UK*

**O Breathing Life, your Name shines everywhere.**

**Release a space to plant your Presence here.**

**Imagine your possibilities now.**

**Embody your desire in every light and form.**

**Grow through us this moment's bread and wisdom.**

**Untie the knots of failure binding us,**

**as we release the strands we hold of others' faults.**

**Help us not forget our Source, yet free us from not being in the Present.**

**From you arises every Vision, Power and Song from gathering to gathering.**

**Amen. May our future actions grow from here!**

**The Congregational Response** *O Lord, hear my prayer* Taize Community

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer. When I call answer me.**

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

**The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God.**

**The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.**

**The Offering Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

**Walk among us, God of Peace. Help our church to find the joy that comes through involvement and sharing, so that we participate in the changes taking place in the world and are a part of making all persons free. Amen.**

**The Offering and The Offertory** *Come, Thou Almighty King*  
by F. de Giardini, arr. P. Keveren Trey Kahler, *piano*

\* **The Doxology** Isaac Watts

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

**Praise God all creatures here below,**

**Praise God above ye heavenly host,**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**The Gospel Reading** *Mark 4:35-41* Paul Harris

**The Sermon** *Get In the Boat* Rachel Dobbs

\* **The Parting Hymn** *Pass It On* # 477

\* **The Congregational Benediction** (*unison*) Fred Rogers

At the center of the Universe is a loving heart that continues to beat and that wants the best for every person. Anything that we can do to help foster the intellect and spirit and emotional growth of our fellow human beings, that is our job. Those of us who have this particular vision must continue against all odds. Life is for service. Amen.

\* **The Postlude** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* Beethoven, arr. C. Berry

Trey Kahler, *piano*

Welcome to the Church of Universal Fellowship, a house for all people.  
 We welcome persons of every age, background, circumstance, ethnicity,  
 family configuration, gender identity, and sexual orientation.  
 We believe that diversity enriches our faith community and that each of us has a right and  
 responsibility to support one another  
 as we search for the divine by living, learning, and growing.

~ Today ~

**Morning Worship:** 10:00 am The Sanctuary (Nursery, Sun. Sch.)  
**Lemonade & Conversation:** 11:00 am The Gathering Place

We welcome Rachel Dobbs as our leader of worship this morning. As well as serving as a CUF Trustee, Rachel is the Director of our Bodwell Hand Bell Choir and has served this past year as our Interim Lay Ministries Coordinator. Rachel attended the University of Maine in Orono and studied nursing and psychology. She is a native of South Portland, Maine and has lived here in Orono for 17 years with her husband John and their daughter Nora. Rachel and John are owners of Paddy Murphy's in downtown Bangor.

**Music with a Mission – Save the Date “Broadway & Beyond” returns to support Partners for Peace on Aug. 3, 7 p.m.** "Broadway & Beyond" with **Dr. Laura Artesani, Emily Ann Cain, Kelly Caufield & Matthew Small.** A Partners for Peace benefit: General admission to the concert is \$15 at the door or \$12 in advance. Call CUF at (207) 866-3655 for information.

### Summer Plate Offering

#### OUR MISSION WITHIN AND FOR OUR COMMUNITY (CUF Open Doors)

Our church is committed to keeping its doors open to promote community-building activities, learning opportunities and to encourage positive relationships.

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#### CUF Summer Schedule

June 24: Rachel Dobbs, CUF Lay Ministries Coordinator  
 July 1, 8: Reverend Lorna  
 July 15, 22, 29: The Reverend Emily Taylor, CUF  
 August 5: Rabbi Darah Lerner, Congregation Beth El, Bangor  
 August 12: The Reverend Lauren Seganos Cohen, Director of The Wilson Center

**Penobscot Nation Tribal Ambassador Maulian Dana** will speak at St. James' Episcopal Church, 132 Center Street, Old Town, on Sunday, June 24 at 11:30 am. She will address a community effort to stop celebrating Columbus Day in favor of Indigenous Peoples' Day. Her talk is titled "Understanding Columbus' Legacy & Why Indigenous Peoples' Day Better Reflects Old Town's Values." All are invited to hear Ambassador Dana and to participate in the discussion that will follow. For more information, contact St. James' at 827-5013 or access the website

**Please note: CUF Summer Office Hours  
 June, July and August: Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00 – 2:00**



Calms the Storm, Laura James

“We say we believe God is a God of love, and that God loves us unconditionally. But the real challenge is to entrust ourselves into the care of this loving God- especially when we're afraid. The only way to do this is to let go whatever it is we're afraid to lose. If the essence of fear is trying to control, the essence of faith is letting go.”

Alan Brehm, 'The Waking Dreamer' Jesus

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 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost ~ June 24, 2018

Ministers	Rachel Dobbs and Members of the Congregation
Ushers	Claude Westfall and Tricia Griffith
Altar Arrangement	Rachel Dobbs
Guest Musician	Susan Heath, flute
Guest Pianist	Trey Kahler
Sunday School	Nancy Leavitt
Summer Nursery Teacher	Emily Kahler
Offering Plate	Brian McGill and Kathy Barry
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