

**OUR COMMON COMMISSION** - Let us go forth into the world in peace, being of good courage, holding fast to that which is good, rendering to no one evil for evil, strengthening the fainthearted, supporting the weak, helping the afflicted, honoring all persons, loving and serving the Lord, and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** This Joyful Eastertide- 17<sup>th</sup> c. Dutch tune, arr. Behnke

*\*Those who wish to remain seated may do so.*

**We Pray For** - The Babbitt Family, Bill Betts, Mary Bottum, Tess Braun, Frank Buonocore, Dorothy Card, Justin and Tricia Coffey and Family, Family and friends of Don Coons, Family of Roy Coulter, Davida Foy Crabtree, Frank Creamer, Fred Currier, Peter Dakers, Family of Margaret Derwin, Catie Dougan, Bill Eckert, Mary Egan, Jen Emory, Ken Esposito, Ida Hamzy, John Harris, Bob Hawkins, Gus Hitchcock, Joanne Hitchcock, Family of Sandy Hoyoe, Jeanette Hudson, Joan Ingersoll, Bill Kelsey and His Doctors, Zach Kelsey, Ed McGee, Doris McGowan, Yvonne McGowan, Beth Oberton, Jean O'Connor, Sue Olsen, Seema Patel, Kathy Paulers, Diana Peyre and Family, George Phelan, Carmella Pietrafesa, Blake Roy, Judy Scanlon and Family, Evelyn Sellstone, Bill and Marge Servidio, Ernie Smith, Arthur Smith, Ryan Sterba, Louise Tangarone, Hannah Taylor, Sue Ellen Thomas, Susan M. Trager, Family and friends of Alden Tyrol, Sheila Uhl, Richard Waldron, Noel Williamson.

**We Also Pray For** - Steve Allen, Bryan Amantea, Lane Berg, Smith Conway, Chris Goodall, Stephanie McGowan, Silvio Melo, Dave Morales, Tony Peterson, Jay Sullivan, Matthew and Marcy Werner, Stephen Whalen, Michele Wilkinson, Wesley Williamson, and all men and women serving in the military.

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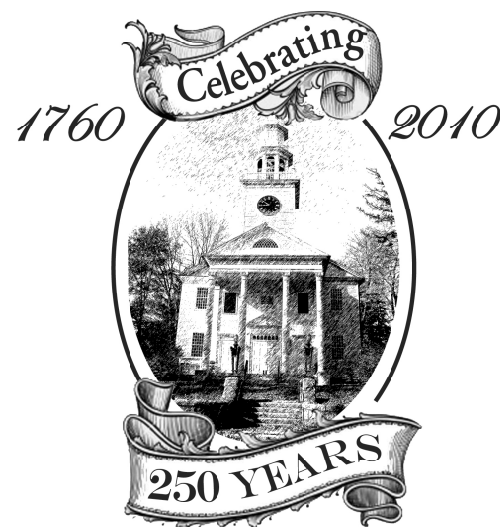
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**CHURCH OF CHRIST  
CONGREGATIONAL, UCC  
NORFOLK**

**First Sunday after Easter**  
May 1st, 2011

*"Our purpose is to follow Jesus Christ  
and to keep Christ at the center of our lives.  
We aspire to strengthen our identity as a home  
of extravagant welcome where friends  
and strangers alike encounter God's love."*

**Gathered in 1760  
Norfolk, CT**

# First Sunday after Easter Sunday

May 1st, 2011

## WORDS OF WELCOME

**PRELUDE** *In Thee Is Gladness* – 16<sup>th</sup> c. German tune, arr. P. Manz

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Protect me, O God,  
for in you I take refuge.

**People:** **I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you.”**

Leader: As for the holy ones in the land,  
they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

**People:** **The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;  
you hold my lot.**

Leader: I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at  
my right hand, I shall not be moved.

**People:** **Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;  
my body also rests secure.**

**\*HYMN 205** *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise* (Pilgrim Hymnal)

**OPENING PRAYER** - Welcome us around this table, Lord, with all of the questions and struggles we bring with us. Give us wisdom to know when fear guides us, and bless us with your strength to put it away. Pardon our desire to see what works for us rather than your works in us. Touch us in love even as we reach for you in hope. Forgive us for our transgressions, and open to us a new way of living and loving, working and playing together for you. Bless us now and always to your purpose. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI 513** - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

**LIGHT OF SERVICE** - Soteni International

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER** - All are welcome to partake. In the sharing of the bread, please hold, so we may take it together. In the sharing of the cup, please partake when served. Grape juice, not wine, is served.

**\*Communion Hymn – 286** *Come, Risen Lord* (Pilgrim Hymnal)  
**Invitation**

## Consecration and Service

**Prayer of Gratitude (unison)** - Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace. Amen.

**ANTHEM** *By the Mark* – Welch & Rawlings, arr. Curry  
Teri Padua, alto; Corey Bush, guitar and voice

**SCRIPTURE READING** - John 20:19-31 (page 989)

**SERMON** *“Doubt Over Fear Any Day”*

## SILENT MEDITATION

## JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

### Invitation

**Offertory** *Resurrection Jubilee* – G. Jones  
Suzanne Bourdeaux, soprano

**\*Doxology 515** (Pilgrim Hymnal) - Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

**\*HYMN 188** *Dawned Again on Easter Day* (Pilgrim Hymnal)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Deacon** - Julia Green

**Coffee Hour** - Eve Thew

**Flowers** - Glory of God

**Mission Plate Offerings**

Please make checks payable to  
"Church of Christ"

**4/17** IREJN - \$143

**4/24** Meadowbrook - \$544

**5/01** Soteni

**5/08** Silver Lake

**The White Envelopes** in the pews are for contributions to benefit the Operating Budget. Kindly do not use these envelopes for Mission or Pledge offerings. Thanks!

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**  
**Thursday, 5/5 - 6:30PM**

Please join Andy Gomez at 6:30 p.m. in the Tiffany Room of the Chapel to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of National Day of Prayer on Thursday, 5/5. All are welcome to pray with thousands of other Christians across the country for this important event.

**ALL GOD'S**  
**CHILDREN'S DAY**

Please make a note this year's worship service will be held on June 19th. Any and all adults who are interested in singing, having a role, or assisting with this special service are encouraged to do so by speaking to Tina Wignall.

**NEWS FOR THE PEWS**

**Sunday 5/1**

10:00am Communion

10:00am Sunday School

11:30 Kids' Choir

1:00 Confirmation

8:00pm AA Meeting

**Tuesday 5/3**

8:45am Yoga

**Wednesday 5/4**

10:00am Bible Discussion -  
Meadowbrook

**Thursday 5/5**

8:45am Yoga

5:30pm Yoga

6:30pm National Day of Prayer

7:30pm Choir

**Saturday 5/7**

4:00pm Babysitting in Chapel

6:00pm Bollywood Night

**Sunday 5/8**

10:00am Worship & Baptism

10:00am Sunday School

11:30 Kids' Choir

8:00pm AA Meeting

**Tuesday 5/10**

8:45am Yoga

**Wednesday 5/11**

10:00am Bible Discussion -  
Meadowbrook

7:00pm Trustees

**Thursday 5/12**

8:45am Yoga

5:30pm Yoga

**FUN-RAISING CLASSES**

**Zumba - Saturday 9AM**

5/7, 14, 21

**Yoga - Thursday 5:30PM**

5/6, 12, 19

**Donation:**

\$60/6-weeks; \$12 drop-in

Teens ½ for Zumba

**BOLLYWOOD NIGHT**

**Youth Work Camp Fundraiser**

**Note New Date: 5/7**

Enjoy Indian food and Bollywood film, "Bride and Prejudice." Dinner at 6PM; film at 7:30PM on Friday, May 7th. Tickets are \$20/adults; \$10/kids. \$15/for veggie entrees. Call 542-5721 to reserve your seat!

**Pre- Mother's Day Gift:**  
**Free Babysitting!**

On Saturday, 5/7 our Confirmation Group (with adult supervision) will offer free babysitting in the Chapel from 4-9 PM. Snacks and pizza will be provided, also at no cost. We will play fun games and watch a movie together. Ages 1-10 are welcome.

**GIV2 EVENT - 5/15**

Our next event will be hosted by North Congregational Church on 5/15 at 1PM. We will gather for lunch and then help the Farmington Valley Trails Council with their trail clean-up.

***The Gospel of Mark***

told from memory by

**Rev. Bert Marshall**

**Sunday, May 15, 4:30 PM**  
**Chapel; Potluck to follow**

Rev. Bert Marshall is a graduate of Yale Divinity School, served a UCC parish in Lee, MA, and is now NE Regional Director of Church World Service. He is also an accomplished singer and songwriter and a former professional rock'n roll musician who, in 1997, was inducted with his band into the Nebraska Rock' n Roll Hall of Fame.

*"To hear Bert Marshall proclaim the entire Gospel of Mark from start to finish is to partake of a sacramental experience, something that lifts us out of ourselves and links us to God's heart. I suspect that for many of us, we will never be quite the same again."* - Ann Turner, children's book author

**Fellowship & Farewell**

Please join us as we send *The Hiking Humanitarian*-Kirk Sinclair, Cindy Sinclair and Ky Byrne off on their year long quest to raise awareness and funds for housing, health and hunger. **Thurs., 5/19 - Potluck 6PM**  
A presentation by Kirk and music by *The Bards of Balance* will follow. Visit [hiking.humanitarian.com](http://hiking.humanitarian.com)