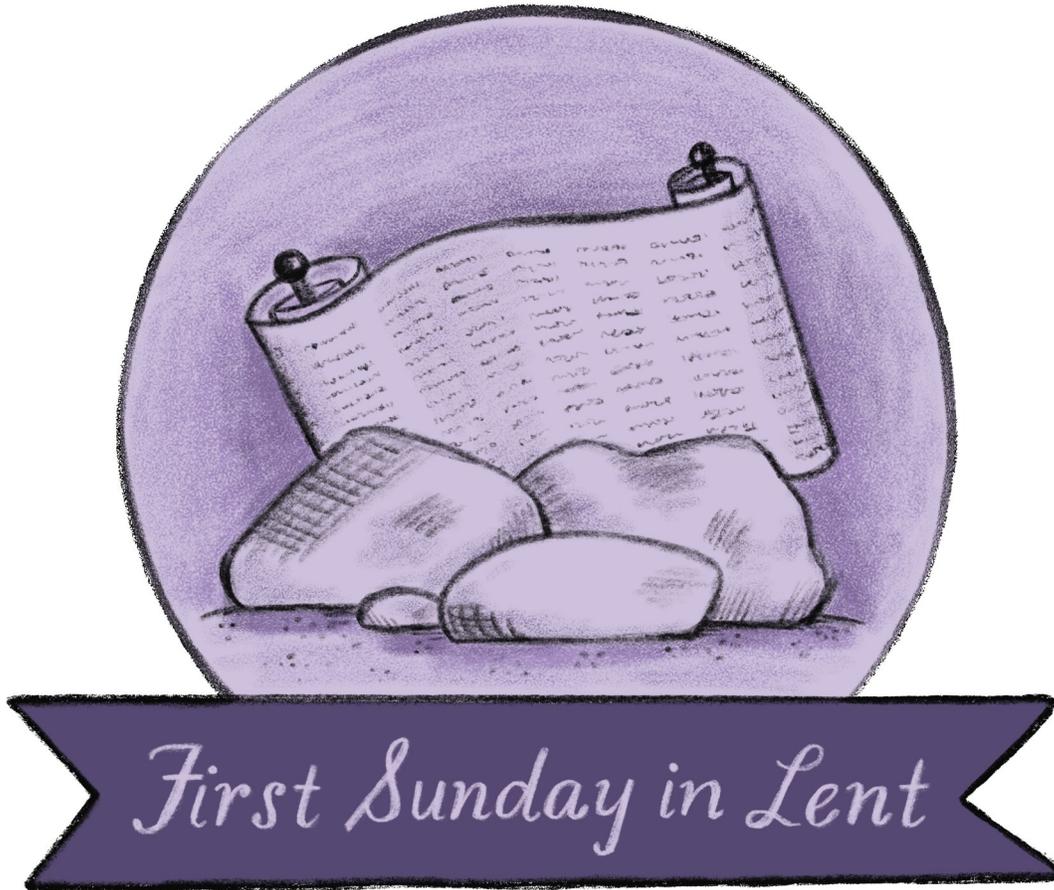


UNITED CHURCH OF DORSET AND EAST RUPERT ~ MARCH 9, 2025 ~



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~ WORSHIP SERVICE ~ MARCH 9, 2025 ~ FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

SILENT MEDITATION

To go in the dark with a light is to know the light.
To know the dark, go dark. Go without sight,
and find that the dark, too, blooms and sings,
and is traveled by dark feet and dark wings.

PRELUDE *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING OF GOD'S PEACE

Rev. Mark McDonough

ENTER "THE FLAME" & "THE WORD" Annabelle Liu, Acolyte; Sofia Lima, Beadle

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As the deer longs for flowing streams, So my soul longs for you, O God.

People: *My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and be hold the face of God?*

Leader: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

People: *Put your hope in God, for I shall again praise the One who is my help and my God.*

*HYMN (CH) # 183: *We Meet You, O Christ*

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Glorious God,
We offer ourselves to you,
painfully aware of our failings.
Sometimes we go too fast.
Sometimes we sit too still.
We worry about the wrong things
and neglect what is important.
We struggle to find the right balance.
Forgive us.
Restore us.
Help us to find the right measures
of worship and service,
of self-care and self-giving,
of faith and hope and love,
as we seek to follow the example of Jesus. Amen.**

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God is good. On all whose lives are open to change, from guilt to grace, from darkness to light, God pronounces pardon and grants peace.

People: *Thanks be to God. Amen.*

***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 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.

***GLORIA PATRI (CH) #37**

*Glory be to God and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

PRAYER OF PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Skip Dickinson

Our response: Hear our prayer, O God, **our refuge and fortress, our shelter and shade.**

CHOIR ANTHEM *Look at the World* - John Rutter

SCRIPTURE LESSON Genesis 1:1-2, 14-19; Mark 1:12-13

David Chandler

***PSALM** 91:1-2, 9-16 God Shall Keep you

LEADER: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."

CHORAL RESPONSE: *And He will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His Hand.*

LEADER: Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

CHORAL RESPONSE

LEADER: You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them and show them my salvation.

CHORAL RESPONSE

SERMON **LENT ONE**

Rev. Mark McDonough

OFFERTORY *The God of Abraham Praise* - Wilha Hutson, arr.

***DOXOLOGY**

*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

Rev. Skip Dickinson

***CLOSING HYMN** (CH) # 65 *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Mark McDonough

May the God who shakes heaven and earth,
Who lives to disturb and heal us,
Bless you with power to go forth
Daring to be the person God created and calls you to be.

POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* - Johann Pachelbel

Our thanks for this morning's flowers to: Sue Westin and John Pitcher

In loving memory of Dell and Richard Buswell

Scripture Reader, David Chandler

Acolyte: Annabelle Liu Beadle: Sofia Lima

Our thanks for hosting Coffee Hour to: Jackie Wilson and Linda Drunsic



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PRAYER LIST Our prayer list is a network of love and faith in the power of prayer. We receive these names from members and friends of our church who hold these individuals up in their own prayer life for God's healing and strength upon them.

IMMEDIATE NEEDS PRAYER CONCERNS: Michael & Abby Shaw; Wes Stannard; Christopher Barrett; Howard; Jimmy Weiss; Jeff Duel; Sharon Bovey Stone; Linda Bushee; Bob Waters; Frank Quaranta; Robin Blount; Cindy Overstreet; Sylvia Haney; Corey Cochran; Stephanie Mattison; Spencer March; Shuyan Liu; Pam Hasegawa; Damon Wilder, Craig, Jaxson and Jacob Smith, Paul; Marianne Bacon; Ginny Longacre; Pope Francis; Sherrie Baker in the Dorset Church for the Transition Team; in the Vermont Conference, for the Congregational Church of Rupert and their Pastor. Rev. Dr. Steve Berry; in the UCC, for the Global HOPE matching grants which helped Hope Community UCC in Aurora, IL be able to assemble kits for Church World Services.

LONG-TERM PRAYER CONCERNS: Diane; Millie Holland; Michael Chambers, Patrick Denis; Dick Grip; Linda & Dick Buswell; Dody Marcotte; Janet Harvey; Jonathan Dickinson; Eric Parks; Tim Velie; Kay Keith; Kris; Kay Kwasniewski; David Parsons; Robbie Littlewood; Sandy Cary; Elizabeth LaBerge; Dottie Hinkle; Chip Wilson; Hazel Prouty; James Jankowski; Jameson Gray Pelton; Judy Dunn; Evelyn Tobin; Cassia Duran; Rich; Bill Wise; George Smith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR SEARCH UPDATES The transition team has been busy working on the conversation prompts and working on the schedules for small group conversations. On March 16th sign-up sheets will be posted in the vestry. **PLEASE KEEP WATCHING THE BULLETIN AND OUR WEBPAGE www.dorsetchurch.org. CLICK ON PASTOR'S SEARCH FOR MORE INFORMATION** The members of the team are: Al Lindsey, Joel Ario, Derry Dickinson, Elizabeth Karet, Linda Drunsic, Annabelle Liu, Linda O'Leary Steve Holman, Henry Chandler and Rev. Mark.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE Please email the office to get a copy at dorsetchurch@gmail.com The deadline is April 15th.

UPCOMING MARCH MEETINGS

DEACONS MEETING	MARCH 9TH AT 11:30 AM
PFLAG	MARCH 9TH AT 4:00 PM
CABINET	MARCH 16TH AT 11:30 AM
TRUSTEES	MARCH 18TH AT 3:30 PM
STEWARDSHIP	MARCH 19TH AT 8:00 AM
GREEN TEAM	MARCH 19TH AT 11:00 AM
MISSION COMMITTEE	MARCH 19TH AT 7:00 P



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2025

When you give to **One Great Hour of Sharing**, you are light for people in need. You offer light when disasters strike, and when chronic conditions threaten families and communities. You are light not just in the immediate future, but also for the long haul. When you give, you restore not only structures, but also transform lives. Your gift ensures that no matter how difficult the situation, light shines.

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The 230th Annual Meeting of the Vermont Conference

May 2-3, 2025

Grace Church, Rutland VT

"Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God."
Isaiah 58:1-12

MEATLESS MONDAYS IN LENT

EGGPLANT SCHNITZEL with BUTTERBEAN MASH

INGREDIENTS

**1 large eggplant
salt**

For the egg wash:

1 egg
Juice of half lemon
Panko breadcrumbs

For the butterbean mash:

1 jar butter beans
(or 1 can cannelloni beans)
1 white onion
2 cloves garlic
1 tbsp smoked paprika
Juice of half lemon
1 tbsp milk
1 tbsp butter
1 tsp Dijon mustard
Salt & pepper

***For the honey mustard
dressing:***

2 tbsp yoghurt
1 tbsp whole grain mustard
1 tbsp agave syrup (or honey)
1 tsp chopped fresh rosemary
Juice of half lemon
1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
Salt and pepper

METHOD:

1. Peel eggplant, slice, salt and let sit whilst you make the mash.
2. Cook onion & garlic in oil with paprika until soft. Add beans & lemon. Cook down.
3. Add bean mix to food processor with milk, butter, S&P & mustard. Blitz until smooth.
4. Beat egg with lemon juice in a shallow bowl.
5. Rinse & pat dry eggplant, dip each slice in egg/lemon, then the breadcrumbs.
6. Fry in oil with rosemary sprigs until crispy.
7. Mix together honey mustard ingredients with chopped up rosemary from the pan.



THIS YEAR'S THEME IS

Christmas IN JULY!

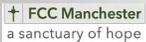
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March at the Community Food Cupboard

Spring is coming and the mornings are getting brighter. Let's help get every day off to a good start!



communityfoodcupboard.org

March Shopping List

Breakfast Cereal/Instant Oatmeal
Granola Bars
Pancake Mix and Syrup
Nuts and Dried Fruit
Peanut Butter
Coffee and Tea
Shelf-Stable Milk
Coffee Creamer

Toothbrushes and Toothpaste
Deodorant

Items can be dropped off at Manchester Town Hall, Shaw's Supermarket, Manchester Community Library, or Dorset Post Office. Thank you for your support!

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Spring 2025

CARRIAGE BARN MUSIC SERIES
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United Church of Dorset & East Rupert

Free Winter Community Supper

Menu

Thursday, March 20, 2025 5:30—7:00 PM

Corn Chowder
Roasted Pork Loin with gravy
Buttered Noodles
Red Cabbage and Apple Sauce
Tiny Spring Green Peas
Tossed Green Salad
Assorted Desserts

We offer gluten free pasta and desserts

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