SILENT MEDITATION

Forgotten Voices
by Scott Dalgarno

I am Peter's wife sleeping alone in Capernaum. I am Eutychus who fell asleep before falling out
a window. I am Ehud whose "message from God" was the blade of a sword delivered with a left
hand. I am Abel who never saw it coming. I am Lazarus, raised from the dead, waiting for a second
death. I am Samuel here to say that even when you're dead they won't leave you alone. I am the
man who told Joseph his brothers had gone on to Dothan. I am the brother of Joseph who spread
the blanket next to the pit we dropped him into before picnicking on chicken wings, warm beer,
and pickles. I am a son of those who shouted, "His blood be on us and our children." I am the dad
who welcomed Peter and Andrew back to the family business. I am the little boy who handed Jesus
five barley loaves and two fish. I am the clerk who filed the paper remanding Jesus for crucifixion.
I am the "man in Christ" Paul remembered being transported to the highest heaven. I am Job's
wife, remembered for the lowest thing I ever said. I am Lot's wife who wishes you knew my name.

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~ WORSHIP SERVICE~NOVEMBER 1, 2026~TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST~

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND SMART WATCHES DURING THE SERVICE

NURSERY CARE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

Babies and children are invited, welcomed, and encouraged in our worship services. Worship bags filled with activities are available in the narthex for use during the service, and a rocker is located at the back of the sanctuary for parents with babies and toddlers. A small nursery area downstairs in the Vestry, with a livestream of the service, is also available for parents who wish to stay with their children. Children in Pre-K through grade 7 are invited to join us downstairs for church school following the children's message.

PRELUDE *My Shepherd, You Supply My Need* Gordon Young, arr.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Mark McDonough

ENTER THE FLAME & THE WORD

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In life and in death we belong to God.
People: Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

***HYMN** #636 *Abide With Me*

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION Joel Ario

Holy God, strong in your wisdom and mighty in your mercy, in this time of worship, focus us on your great spirit of understanding. Grant us understanding in our relationships with one another, stranger or friend. Grant us a vision of a world where lion and lamb are together. Grant us a vision of a world where love is stronger than hate. Forgive us for being blind to your presence, your strength, your love for all people. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to shine on those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
People: In the Spirit of the risen Christ, we are being made new. 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.

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: Since God has made us the blessed community, the church, let us greet one another with the peace of Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

***RESPONSE** #36 *Gloria Patri*

CHOIR ANTHEM *Litany to the Holy Spirit* Peter Hurford

PRAYER OF PASTORAL CARE

Our response:
God of compassion, **hear our prayer.**

***HYMN** #561 *It Is Well with My Soul*

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 25:6-9 Elizabeth Karet

SERMON We Remember

A MUSICAL INTERLUDE

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Aria on For All the Saints* David Cherwein

***DOXOLOGY** #46

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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MEMORIAL CANDLE LIGHTING
(Music during All church Memorial: Organ music of Gordon Young)

When you hear the name of your loved one, you are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary by the side aisle, take a candle from the basket closest to you, light your candle from the large candle nearby, and place your candle in the memorial board. Please return to your seat by the center aisle.

***CLOSING HYMN** #637 *For All the Saints*

***BENEDICTION**
May the generous grace of Christ attend you,
the astounding love of God find you,
and the surprising movement of the Holy Spirit guide you,
everywhere and always. Amen.

POSTLUDE *Lift High the Cross* John Leavitt, arr.

The flowers this morning were given by Diana Bickford,
dedicated to the creative spirit in our community.
Our thanks to today's coffee hour hosts, Kit Wallace and her book group;
liturgist, Joel Ario;
scripture reader, Elizabeth Karet;
guest speakers, Todd Jorn, Barb Bertram, and Robin Chandler;
deacons and ushers, Dick and Kate Coss, and Marietta and Karl White;
tech crew, Chris Lima, Patrick Honan, Puck Bell, and Jade Lilith-Streeter.

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: Nuni; Dale Coppin; Clara Miller; Charlotte, Harlan and Chelsea; Tracy Breeyear; Linelle Pike; Bill Auperlee; Joe McVicker; Fran Wilwol; Andy Longacre; Alice Leary; Tim Velie; Flora Gallup; Marian Perkins; Joe and Norma Will; Tommy and Tracie Salmon; Katherine Buchmayr; Betsy Olson; Jennifer Salmon; Cindy O'Leary; Stephen and Maria Cummins; Gretchen Lima; Oliver Fox Buckner; Ann Troumbley; Cathy Condon; Mark Cassidy; Jimmy Weiss; Jeff Duel; Robin Hoag; Damon Wilder; Howard Day; Robby Littlewood; Tom Drunsic; Jim Goodwin; Donna Tonic; in the Dorset Church, for our Mission Committee; in the Vermont Conference, for the First Congregational Church of Hubbardton and their pastor, Eric May.

LONG-TERM PRAYER CONCERNS: Staff Sargent Houston Wood and family; Larry Cochran; Marianne Bacon; Jonathan Dickinson; Sarah Faith Dickinson; Norma O., Craig, Jaxson, and Jacob Smith; Diane; Millie Holland; Michael Chambers; Patrick Denis; Dody Marcotte; Eric Parks; Kris; Kay Kwasniewski; Elizabeth LaBerge; Dottie Hinkle; Chip Wilson; Hazel Prouty; James Jankowski; Jameson Gray Pelton; Evelyn Tobin; Cassia Duran; Rich; George Smith; Jack; Judy Dunn; Alan Wiegand; Steve and Val Smith.

Pastor Search Update

The Pastor Search Committee is making progress toward finding our next minister. We have reviewed 18 profiles to date, conducted three first interviews, and are in the process of following up on the top candidates with in-person interviews and hosted dinners; tours of the church, manse, and local area; and an in-person sermon at a local church. At this stage, we have already ascertained the qualifications of the candidates and are pursuing a deeper understanding of which candidate is the best fit for our church.

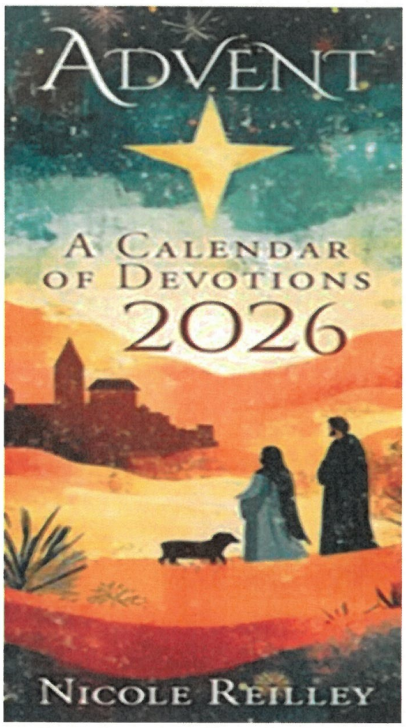
At the same time, we are continuing to accept new applicants and do not have a fixed timetable for when we will be ready to make a recommendation to the congregation, which has the sole authority to select a new minister. Your continued support and prayers are greatly appreciated.

Many thanks,

Linda O'Leary and Joel Ario, Co-chairs, Janet Chandler, Henry Chandler, Dick Coss, Rob Gaiotti, Rich Grip, Steve Holman, Elizabeth Karet, Liz Schafer, and Lynne Welsh

DEADLINE REMINDER TO PLACE ITEMS IN THE BULLETIN

As we head into our busy holiday season, we want to make sure your events are featured as perfectly as possible in our beautiful weekly bulletin! To ensure our team has enough time for proper formatting, design and editing**, our weekly bulletin deadline is now Tuesdays at 12:00 pm (Noon)**. Thank you so much for your partnership, planning, and help in keeping our church office organized and on schedule during this joyful season!



We are taking orders for the 2026 Advent Calendar of Devotions. If you would like one, please call the office (867-2260). The order will be placed on Monday, November 9, to ensure they are in for the first Sunday of Advent on November 29.

Join Us for Free Fall Yoga Classes

Registered Nurse and Registered Yoga Teacher Desiree Hensel will offer two free yoga classes this fall in the Pastoral Chapel.

Hatha Yoga, Saturdays, 8:30–9:30 AM, October 17 - November 21. This is a mixed-level practice with physical postures and breathwork. Please bring a mat and any props you enjoy using.

Chair Yoga for Brain Longevity, Thursdays, 9:00–9:50 AM, October 15 – November 19. This is a supportive, accessible class based on the Alzheimer's Research and Prevention Foundation curriculum, which includes seated and standing poses, the Kirtan Kriya meditation, and brief discussions on modifiable risk factors for cognitive decline.

Questions? Call 812-606-6078 or email hensel-nursinged@gmail.com.

Hello from Sunday School

Last Sunday was full of firsts. Our Sunday School class sang our first anthem of the year with Mr. Tommy; Winnie Watkins was a first time Beadle leader (helped by experienced Acolyte Sofia and Pada!); and we enjoyed a first time visit from the Igeo boys, Harry and Angus. It's truly a joy to see a a full classroom of eager children sharing a lesson on prayer, from personal prayers to The Lord's Prayer and the 23rd Psalm.

We're currently blessed with 19 students ranging from middle school to pre-K. Thank you to our wonderful classroom helpers, Miss Ann, Pada, and Thunder!

Today we'll be celebrating All Soul's Day in class with our annual Dia de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) party. We bring photos and mementos to share in honor of our loved ones who are no longer with us, but remain alive in spirit and in our hearts.

SECOND HOUR

A series of four Second Hours is being presented on **Life Transition Planning (LTP)** over the next few months. These LTP sessions will present an opportunity for everyone in our church to understand how to plan for changes in our lives, no matter where on life's path we are. The next session will be held on November 29 at 11:30.

There will be time in each Second Hour for questions and discussion.

News of the Larger Church

People in Memphis have been taking action against hyper-scale data centers, continuing the fight for environmental justice. Two bills are currently in Congress to address the impact of data centers, but more can be done. Please go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-9SSZYNU2Aw for additional information.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Missions, November 4 @ 5:00

PFLAG, November 8 from 2-4

Truth and Justice, November 11 @ 5:30

Cabinet, November 15 @ 11:30

Trustees, November 17 @ 3:30

The Dorset Group hosts an open meeting for Alcoholics Anonymous here at the Dorset Church in the vestry every Monday at 8:00pm.

If you would like to receive a daily devotional, please go to https://www.ucc.org/daily-devotional/

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