

Covenant Congregational Church  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

Worship Service March 22, 2026 10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE *Breathe on Me, Breath of God – arr. Walz*

WELCOME

Announcements

Introit *Son of God, Son of Man – Althouse*

GATHERING

\*Call to Worship

Come, let us worship and bow down  
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;  
for he is our God  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
the sheep in his care.

\*Opening Song *Living Hope*

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\*Invocation

Greeting One Another

PROCLAMATION

Children's Message

Dismissal Blessing of the Children

**Congregation: The Lord be with you.**  
**Children: And also with you!**

Scripture Readings

Debora Fiore

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 130  
New Testament Reading: Romans 8:6-11  
Response: The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Hymn of Preparation *Have Thine Own Way, Lord!*

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Sermon

“The Gift of Presence”  
Genesis 1:1-2, 27-28, John 1:1-4, 14, Revelation 21:1-3

Brontis Verona

RESPONSE

Pastoral Prayer & 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 sins**  
**as we forgive those who sin against us.**  
**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,**  
**for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem *The Healer – Switzer*

\*Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all Creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

\*Closing Hymn *I Stand Amazed in the Presence*

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\*Benediction

(Please be seated until the end of the Postlude.)

POSTLUDE

\*Please stand as able.

*Be Still, My Soul – arr. Larson*

## Worship Participants

Co-Pastors ..... Rev. Dr. Devyn Chambers Johnson and Rev. Ryan Chambers Johnson  
Guest Preacher ..... Brontis Verona, Providence Port Chaplain, New England Seafarers Mission  
Greeters ..... Heather Willis and Bob Hall  
Usher ..... Steve Willette  
Scripture Reader ..... Debora Fiore  
Worship Band ..... Chris Allison, Vicky Papetti, Tony Ivaldi, Jeff Burton, Peter Fredericksen and Pastor Ryan  
Choir Director/Piano ..... Alice Fu  
Violin ..... Vicky Papetti  
Flute ..... Lou Ann Falls  
Bass ..... Chris Allison  
Clarinet/Saxophone ..... Alex West  
Organ ..... Susan Santry  
A.V. Tech Team ..... Jeff Burton, Dave Sproul, Adam Buckley and Andrew West  
Sanctuary Keeper ..... Sara Papetti

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## Children Are Welcome at CCC

We welcome the movement and whispers (that are often louder than whispers) of children in the worship service. In addition:

- Children are welcome to stay in the worship service. There are clipboards with children's bulletins and activities available in the narthex.
- During worship, children, toddlers through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, are dismissed to Sunday School classes. Children go to their classrooms and are returned to their parents during the final song of the service. Parents will sign their children in at the table in the narthex and, if they wish, are welcome to accompany them to their classroom to get them settled.
- There is a play room off of the narthex with a video feed and a viewing room with a window into the sanctuary. This is also the meeting room for "wobble worship" – the class for toddlers to pre-k, which meets during the second half of worship.

Coffee and refreshments are available after worship in the fireside room, hosted today by the Whole Life Stewardship Ministry. All are welcome!



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# Welcome to Covenant Congregational Church



*Covenant Congregational Church exists to build a welcoming community so that all generations can know God, participate freely, and grow in faith together.*