

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LACONIA  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 9:30 A.M.

*AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING AND JUST PEACE CHURCH*



*I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. —Ezekiel 36:26*

**Prelude**

**Lighting of the Candles**

**Jeremy Drake and Kate White**

**Welcome**

**Rev. Eliza Tweedy**

**Introit**

**Enter, Rejoice, and Come In**

**Call to Worship**

**Tom McNeil**

**\*Hymn**

**All Are Welcome in This Place**

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**Opening Prayer/Sharing Peace**

**Jay Homer**

**Reading**

**The Wind Will Show its Kindness**

**Meister Eckhart  
Jessica Grant**

**Intro**

**Do You See What I See, Asks the Lord**

**Rev. Scott Jamieson**

**Reading**

**Ronnie Judd**

**Reflection**

**Joey Russo**

**Anthem**

**In This Very Room**

**Ron and Carol Harris**

**Scripture Psalm 31: 1-5**

**Donald Gilbert**

**Reflection**

**Christina Chioccola**

**Reading**

**Adapted poem by JJ Heller**

**Ryan Pagan**

**Reflection**

**Darrell Sharman**

**Baptism and Reaffirmation of Baptism**

**Rev. Scott Jamieson**

Ryan Troy Pagan and Jay Michael Homer

**Rev. Eliza Tweedy**

Christina Marie Chioccola and Thomas Michael McNeil, Jr

**Opening**



## Questions

### Congregational Assent

Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to the one who is to be baptized and to their family, as they live and grow in Christ?

**We promise our love, support, and care**

### Act of Baptism/Blessing

#### Prayer

We give thanks to you, Holy One, parent of all creation, for these beloved members of the Body of Christ, and for all who have loved them, throughout their lives. We give thanks for the grace acknowledged here today in covenant and community. Embrace us all as children in the one household of your love, that we may continue to grow and learn with these beloved disciples.

**Give to them, we pray, strength for life's journey, courage in time of suffering, the joy of faith, the freedom of love, and the hope of new life, through the abiding grace that creates and sustains us all. Amen.**

### Call to Offering

**Tom McNeil**

### Offertory

**Praise ye the Lord**

**Melchior Vulpius**

### Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God for all that love has done;*

*Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen*

### Prayer of Dedication

**Tom McNeil**

**Generous God, the gift we bring represents our love for you. We thank you for your Spirit's gifts to us, so mysterious, bountiful and astounding. Bless our giving whether time, talent, financial or love so that others may come to know your love as well.**

**Amen**

### \*Hymn #417

**This is a Day of New Beginnings**

### Commissioning and Benediction

**Rev. Eliza Tweedy**

### Benediction Response

**Go In Peace**

### Postlude

**Ushers and Offering Collection: Jeremy Drake, Kate White, Kevin Hogaboom**

**Greeters: Kevin Hogaboom & Jeremy Drake**

## **Altar Flowers**

In honor of the community and love of the United Church of Christ  
Given by Warren & Martha Clement

Women's Breakfast October 16th, 8:30am at the Water Street Cafe  
please RSVP to [bettobergstrom@gmail.com](mailto:bettobergstrom@gmail.com)  
Men's Breakfast October 4<sup>th</sup> & 18th at the Water Street Café

Book Club September 25th 10:00a.m. in the Library  
*The Housekeeper & the Professor* by Yoko Ogawa

Educational Forum on Christian Nationalism Sunday September 29, 2024  
Because it's important to be clear about the terms we hear and use.  
What is Christian Nationalism? What it is not?  
What are the historical, cultural, and theological roots?  
What are its stated goals?  
After Church in the Library

Pastoral Installation Service Rev. Eliza Tweedy  
October 6, 2024 3:00pm

## **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

You have an opportunity to work for peace in our world and in our communities through nonviolent action. Collaborate with UCC friends from across New Hampshire. There is a place for you - to work for a Ceasefire in Gaza, Gun Violence Prevention and to promote Just Peace Churches. For more information about the NHCUCC Peace with Justice Advocates Mission Group, contact Janet Zeller at [janet.zeller@gmail.com](mailto:janet.zeller@gmail.com).

## **Order Free COVID-19 Tests**

[COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov) will re-open at the end of September. Households across the country can order four additional over-the-counter COVID-19 tests for free.