

**November 6, 2016**  
**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Prelude:** *Jesus The Very Thought Medley* H. Brown  
Huntley Brown, pianist

**Chiming of the Hour**

**\*Hymn:** #39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**Welcome**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Choral Introit:** *This Is The Day*

**Call to Worship**

One: We call on God, who is as near as our next breath.  
We gather to meet God, who has promised to  
bless us.

**All: God is great and greatly to be praised.  
Through many generations, God has acted  
among us.**

One: Meditate on the wondrous works of your Creator.  
Marvel at the glorious splendor of God's majesty.

**All: God is the Savior of all who seek refuge. God  
hears our cries and fulfills our deepest  
desires.**

One: Remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.  
Make a joyful noise and break forth in song.

**All: Our mouths will speak the praise of God. Let  
all flesh bless God's holy name.**

One: Come let us worship together!

**Prayer of Invocation (in unison)**

Give ear to our prayers, gracious God, and attend to our  
cries. We call on you, knowing that you will answer and  
make your way known to us. We seek to follow the path  
you show us. We take courage, knowing that you are  
kind and just in all you do. When we need assurance, you  
gather us in the shadow of your wing. As we mature in  
faith, you give us wings to fly on our own. Meet each one  
of us in our particular need this hour. Amen.

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

All knowing God, we are reluctant to identify weakness  
or wickedness in ourselves. We do not recognize violent  
behavior or lawless rebellion as a personal problem. We  
find ourselves viewing the world from the narrow  
perspective of our own self-interest. Our anger at others  
spills over into our words and deeds. We ignore you in  
our decision making and fail to give thanks to you in our  
daily living. Without your forgiveness and transforming  
love, there is little hope for us. Hear now our silent  
confessions as we turn to you seeking mercy, forgiveness  
and grace. Amen.

*Moment of Silence*

**Assurance of God's Love**

**\*Gloria Patri:** *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.*

**Responsive Reading – Psalm 145:1-13**

(Page 714 HS in the pew bible)

**Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures – Haggai 2:1-9**

(Page 1074 HS in the pew bible)

**Meditation:** *Bread of the World* Giovanni Palestrina

**Sacrament of Communion**

*The cut bread on the communion plate is gluten free.*

*The communion wine is non-alcoholic juice.*

**Communion Prayer**

Gracious God, you have once again shown us your love  
by bringing us this meal. We go from this table, renewed  
in faith, renewed in courage, and strengthened by your  
presence. Thank you for loving us so tenderly. Thank you  
for challenging us to know you better and to receive you  
more fully. It is in Christ's name that we pray. Amen.

**\*Hymn:** #499 *Bread of the World in Mercy Broken*  
(Children leave for Sunday School and Youth Discussion  
Group)

**Offering of Gifts**

**Offertory:** *In The Name of the Lord* Huntley Brown

**\*Doxology:** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above ye  
heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

**Prayer of Dedication**

**New Testament Reading –**

**2Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**

(Page 251 NT in the pew bible)

**Sermon: "Stand Firm"**

Reverend Diane Monti-Catania

**Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Response:** *Amen*

**\*Hymn:** #338 *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

**Benediction**

**Response:** *America! America!*

**Postlude:** *Finale to Symphony #1* Louis Vierne  
(\*Please stand if able)

*If you are visiting us today, Welcome! Please sign the  
guestbook at the front door and introduce yourself to  
Pastor Diane or to one of our Deacons.*

*We welcome pianist Rev. Huntley Brown. Join us this  
afternoon for his concert which is part of the Peace  
Through Understanding series.*

*Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and  
fellowship following worship. All are welcome.  
Our host today is Sue Bucceri.*

*Hearing assist devices are available; please see an usher if  
you would like to use one.*

Nursery care is available for children ages 0-4. Please ask an usher to direct you to the nursery.

Our Lay Reader today is Mary O'Neill.  
The ushers for today are Sharon Tingley & Sal Accardo.

Prayer List

Wilma Tillerman, Emily, Leonard Kaufman, Chris Capecelatro, Trish Johnson, Laura Flores, Evan Rashkoff, Margie Vail, Gordon Weekly, Paul McAbee, Jose Luis Marti, Shirley Rogers, Jane Fitting, Nancy Tuckerman, Kit Kellogg, Barbara Jacquette, Gloria Buckley, Petie Robinson, Jeri Johnson, Nancy Smith, Betty Scribner  
Joan and Paul and their family

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

|           |   |
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| Today     | 11:30 am Trustees Meeting                             |
|           | 2 pm PTU Lecture ~ Scoville Memorial Library          |
|           | 3 pm PTU Concert ~ Meeting House                      |
| Tuesday   | 5 am Rotary Club Breakfast for voters on Election Day |
|           | 5:15 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal                          |
| Wednesday | 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal                               |
| Thursday  | 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study                           |
|           | 7 pm HousaTonics Rehearsal                            |
| Friday    | 7:30 am Men's Bible Study                             |
|           | 5 pm Steam Roller's Football Dinner                   |

**OPPORTUNITIES**

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY/WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Men's Bible Study meets on Friday mornings in the Parish Hall at 7:30 am. Women's Bible Study meets on Thursdays, at 4:30 pm in the Parish Hall Library.

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2016 - 2017**

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