

Chebeague Community Church

Knowing and working with our neighbors near and far as we grow in God's love together
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A Reconciling Congregation



ORDER OF WORSHIP MARCH 6, 2022 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Holy One, my Refuge and Shelter, I call out to you, sometimes in praise, sometimes in distress—as life goes. Whether I perceive it or not, you are there. Open me this day to your presence in the smile of a friend, in the call of a bird—in the simple and good enough moments that fill my days. Amen.

Unless otherwise noted, the liturgy comes from the Worship Design Studio

✠We rise in body or spirit

Welcome

Here at CCC, we are all one family. Restrooms are in the Parish House across the street. Join in when bold letters appear. For COVID, we are masking, sanitizing hands, and practicing physical distancing. During songs, we invite you to be in prayerful meditation or sing along in your heart.

Call to Worship

Song

Honest Questions, Compassionate Response

Silence is kept for individual confession, reflection, and meditation.

...And know, that despite our sometimes faltering steps, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are being forgiven, even now.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

Prayer for Illumination (Monthly Prayer from Christian Aid)

God of revelation, unveil your Kingdom in our midst.

Show us who we truly are in you:

expose the illusions that distort our vision,

deliver us from temptations that contort our living,

open our eyes in this time of trial –

that resistance may be the secret of our joy

and our joy a sign of your shalom. Amen.

Scripture Luke 9:28-43

A Word of God that is still speaking, **Thanks be to God.**

Thoughts about an Imperfect Life and Faith

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** God for your goodness, **we give you thanks.**

Please send an email to church.chebeague@gmail.com to add a prayer request to our list.

Prayer and 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.

Announcements/Offering

Financial gifts can be placed in the plate in the entryway or made online at www.chebeaguechurch.org. We also offer ourselves in service to God's work as we connect with the ministries of the church.

✠Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, in light of your extravagant blessings—no matter what the state of the world or our imperfect lives—we offer our gifts and ourselves, and know that you transform what we plant into the produce of love. Amen.

✠A Blessing for a Joyfully Mediocre Journey

*"Blessed are you who realize there is simply not enough—time, money, resources.
Blessed are you who are tired of pretending that raw effort is the secret to perfection.
It's not. And you know that now.*

*Blessed are you who need a gentle reminder that even now, even today,
God is here, and somehow, that is good enough."*

✠Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lent begins on March 2nd, and for this upcoming liturgical season, our theme will be "Good Enough" - based on Kate Bowler's book "Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection". We live in a culture bent on definitions of a good life as continuous upward mobility—climbing ladders of prosperity with increasingly fabulous experiences that we can post to ever-more-likable social media accounts. Welcome to a Lent of affirming a faith in which we are blessed, regardless, and where we can lean into embracing our "good enough" lives. You can follow along in the book or download a free Lenten devotional guide at www.katebowler.com/lent. **Join us on Wednesdays at 9 AM starting 3/9 for a Zoom Small Group** (815 200 0968, passcode 20152020) if you are wanting to go deeper with the series or have companions for your Lenten practice.

Please **join us at our next Council Meeting, Sunday, March 13th at 12 PM** (both in-person at the Parish House and online via Zoom). We will start with a 1/2-hour spiritual leadership development session using the book *Holy Living: Discernment: Spiritual Practices of Building a Life of Faith* by Beth Ann Estock and Elaine A. Heath (106 pp. 2019). Everyone is welcome to join us for the 1/2 hour session, even if you don't want to stay for the rest of the meeting.

Access info is available at the leadership page on our website or on our online calendar. You'll also be able to find and download the agenda and packet of material for the meeting.



PRAYER LIST

For the families of Jodi Lefebvre Chamberland, Gail Bourgeois Errera, Lisa and Chuck Googins, Herb Rich, and Alan Gray. And for Lola & Bill Armstrong, Dan Barker, Anne Brown, Bob Dyer, Ed Gilchrist, Darren Hillicoss, Kyle Grannell, Chuck Hilly, Hobey Hinchman, Billy Hutchinson, Roy & Suzanne Jackson, Jessica, Jonathan, Scott Libby, Lisa, Beryl O'Neil, Tim & Susan Opalenik, Bea Pettit, Helen Scott, Alison Shepherd, Juan Toj, Grace Warne, Linda White, Craig Winslet, Rev. Alijandro and the people of Guatemala; those who live with addiction or mental illness; veterans and those serving in the military; children who are hungry or abused; victims and perpetrators of domestic violence; refugees and those who are homeless; housing on Chebeague; our island school and families, the leaders of our country, children and families at the border, those who experience hate because of their racial identity or sexual orientation, including Black, Asian, Hispanic, Middle-Eastern, Native American and LGBTQ+ folx, all impacted by COVID-19, those who are disabled, those who are ill, our new church, our environment, those who experience injustice in our world, and that all may know hope and love.

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Join us in-person and virtually! Visit our website for more information.

Sundays

10 am Worship
3 pm Book Study (starting 2/6)

Thursdays

10 am Office Hours
11 am Ladies Aid
1 pm Bible Study with Gloria Brown

Wednesdays

9 am Good Enough Small Group (starting 3/9)

Food Pantry

Contact chebundance@gmail.com to make an appointment or for information.

To add a name to our prayer list, please contact the church office. We also have prayer shawls available to share God's love (and ours as well!) so people know we are sharing in their joy or standing with them in their struggles.

