



ORDER OF WORSHIP

JANUARY 16, 2022 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

O God, we thank you for the lives of great saints and prophets in the past, who have revealed to us that we can stand up amid the problems and difficulties and trials of life and not give in. We thank you for our foreparents, who've given us something in the midst of the darkness of exploitation and oppression to keep going. Grant that we will go on with the proper faith and the proper determination of will, so that we will be able to make a creative contribution to this world. In the name and spirit of Jesus we pray. Amen.
- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

✠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 (enfleshed)

Through the waters of baptism, God calls us to wade into the way of the Sacred.

In community, we are claimed as beloved and invited into new life.

The waters are sometimes calm, flowing slowly and easily.

They remind us who we are, together. God delights in us.

The waters are sometimes swiftly moving.

They lead us in the direction of justice, with urgency and peace.

The waters are sometimes raging.

They beckon us to live courageously, to choose practices of radical Love even as evil looms.

Through all of life's changes and challenges,

the promises of God uphold us. We are claimed, eternally, as kin in Christ.

Song

Prayer of Confession (Rev. Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies)

We know what it is like to be singed by the flames of our lives, Holy God. We look for ourselves in all the wrong places - success, power, adulation. We carve our names in the granite walls of work, hoping we will be remembered when we are gone. We have gone through the waters of baptism, but live as if they have not changed us.

We need to hear your sure word, 'do not fear,' Shaper of our lives. Our failures do not cause you to quit loving us, for you continue to claim us, gathering us up in your compassionate arms. In our baptism, we discover not the end, but the first step of our journey with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

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

Sharing in Forgiveness (Rev. Thom Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies)

God's words of comfort and restoration are more powerful than any foolishness, any mistakes, any sins we commit. This is good news: we are God's people!

Thanks be to God! By water and word, by the Spirit of God's redeeming grace, we are marked and sealed as God's beloved children. Amen

Prayer for Illumination (enfleshed)

Scripture Luke 3:15-17, 21-22; 1 Corinthians 12:4-16

Video Reflection (The SALT project)

Sermon

Remembering our Baptism (enfleshed, adapted)

Receiving New Members

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

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 (enfleshed, adapted)

Loving One, we pray you would bless all that we offer to you, small and humble, toward your work of freedom. Guide our intentions and our actions in the direction of your kingdom - where all creatures, creations, neighbors, and even our enemies are delivered from systems of evil, so that your blessings may abound on all the earth. Amen.

✠Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the Maine Council of Churches and The BTS Center on **Monday, January 17th at 12:15 pm** via Zoom for a public reading of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s sermon "**Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution.**" For more information and to register, visit www.thebtscenter.org.

Book Study Group: Sundays at 3 PM on Zoom beginning February 6th, eight sessions planned for My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending our Hearts and Bodies by Resmaa Menachem. Now is a great time to join our small group. FMI, please contact Gloria Brown at gjbrown58a@gmail.com

CCC's first ever **Annual Meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday, January 30th at 10 AM**. We anticipate meeting in person and offering a remote option as well (Meeting ID: 834 4114 5219, Passcode: 20152020). All reports and our bylaws will be made available online (<http://www.chebeaguechurch.org/2021-annual-reports.html>) as they come in. You can request a copy be mailed to you by contacting the church office before January 20th. Please read all reports ahead of time! Everyone is encouraged to come and have voice; members are allowed to vote. Contact Pastor Melissa if you have question about your status as a member.

Want to beat the Winter Blues? Save the date for "**Beat the Winter Blues: 5 Practical Tips to Boost Your Mood**" hosted by Shelly Rice and Pastor Linda Brewster. Your body is naturally equipped with hormones to boost your mood - you only need to access them! In this session, learn practical tips to boost your mood and tune into the natural rhythm God intended for you. Join Rochelle/Shelly Rice and Pastor Linda Brewster as they inspire you to have faith in what's possible to lift your spirit during the winter months!

Wednesday, January 26th @ 6:30pm via Zoom . Complimentary. For more info: Rochelle@RochelleRice.com Join here: www.RochelleRice.com/zoom

PRAYER LIST

For the families of Herb Rich, Alan Gray, Margaret Ingram, Dick Bowen, and Bill Cushing. And for Lola & Bill Armstrong, Anne Brown, Bob Dyer, Ed Gilchrist, Lisa Googins, Kyle Grannell, Chuck Hilly, Hobey Hinchman, Marcia Howell, Billy Hutchinson, Roy & Suzanne Jackson, Jessica, Jonathan, Mary Lou & Frank Koughan, Scott Libby, Lisa, Beryl O'Neil, Tim & Susan Opalenik, Bea Pettit, Helen Scott, Alison Shepherd, Juan Toj, 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.

Join us for other church activities, both in-person and virtually!

Sundays

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

Thursdays

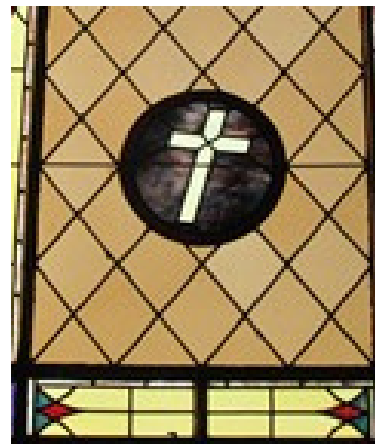
10 am Office Hours
11 am Ladies Aid
1 pm Bible Study with Gloria Brown

Food Pantry

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

For all our events, including Zoom links, visit www.chebeaguechurch.org.

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.



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