

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH

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October 11th, 2020 11:00 am
JOURNEYING THROUGH THE EXODUS
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. Let us pause to remember that in this region we live and work and worship on lands that are, by law, the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples—predominantly the lands of the Mi'kmaq, Wolastoqiyik and Passamaquoddy. May we live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with its people. If you are visiting or new to the congregation please introduce yourself to Rev. Dr. Burke. Grace and peace to you all!

Thought for Meditation:

*mo sheasamh ort lá no chois tinne: You are the place where I stand
on the day when my feet are sore. Old Irish Expression*

THE GATHERING

*Please rise in body or in spirit for sections marked with an asterisk.

WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: May the Joy of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us worship together!

OPENING PRAYER:

Leader: God of Moses and Miriam; Aaron and Hur; God of the famous and God of the lesser-knowns;

People: God made known to us in Jesus,

Leader: we gather together, opening ourselves to you, with all of our questions and complaints, our gratitude and our struggles.

People: In your holy story, where will we see ourselves? Where will we find our church?

Leader: And how will we recognize you, in our time and place?

People: What are your words for us in this time of worship? And are they gift or challenge?

Leader: And now we pray together as Jesus – our gift and challenge - taught, saying:

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, the power and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen.

MUSIC

T H E W O R D O F G O D

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 17:8-12

SERMON: *The Gift and Untold Glory of Reliable Sidekicks*

SOLO: Moon Joyce *Holding On* (by C. Wheeler)

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A TIME OF PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING: