

\*HYMN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies



**Trinitarian Congregational Church**  
*United Church of Christ*  
**Concord, Massachusetts**  
**July 8, 2018**

“The deeply concerned will see their ideas become reality.”

-The Cotton Patch Version of the Mourn Beatitude

**SILENT PRAYER**

God of all creation, whether we join your people this morning with laughter, sighs, or tears, this is sacred space and time for community. Emptied of pretense, we can be filled with hope. Holy Spirit, move freely within and among us in Christ, Amen.

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: People of God, what does the Lord require of us?

**All: To do justice;**

One: ‘Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.’

**All: To love kindness;**

One: ‘Blessed are the meek and humble,  
For they will inherit the earth.’

**All: To walk humbly with our God;**

One: ‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
For they will be filled.’

**All: We come to learn, to praise, to pray;**

One: We come to worship our God.

**\*INVOCATION**

**OUR MISSION AND MINISTRY**

**READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES**

Matthew 5:1-12 (responsively with chant)

**SERMON**

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**“Singing the Blues into Blessing”**

**My Life Flows On**

**Jean Vandergrift**

**SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Everyone is invited to offer a joy or concern out loud.  
Following your request please end with...

One: This is MY prayer.

Many: **This is OUR prayer.**

**THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR**

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.

**OFFERING OF GIFTS**

**Call to Stewardship**

**Offertory**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Old Hundredth*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication** (unison) Adapted from Psalm 30

We have cried to you, God of Life, and you have heard and healed us! How many times and how many ways you have restored us! As the Psalmist said: "Weeping may fill the night, but joy comes in the morning." Therefore, we give thanks to you and dedicate these offerings to your vision for the future. Amen!

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

\*The congregation is invited to stand.

**† Go Forth and Serve †**

**Leading Worship:** Rev. Dr. Jean Vandergrift, Interim Minister for Spiritual Development and Congregational Life; Victoria Wagner, Music Director; David DeLong, Liturgist.