I Surrender All

 All to Jesus I surrender; all to him I freely give;
 I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live.

Refrain:

I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

2. All to Jesus I surrender; humbly at his feet I bow, worldly pleasures all forsaken; take me, Jesus, take me now. [Refrain] 3. All to Jesus I surrender; make me, Savior, wholly thine; let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that thou art mine. [Refrain]

4. All to Jesus I surrender; Lord, I give myself to thee; fill me with thy love and power; let thy blessing fall on me. [Refrain]

5. All to Jesus I surrender; now I feel the sacred flame.O the joy of full salvation!Glory, glory to his name! [Refrain]

Easter Basket Project

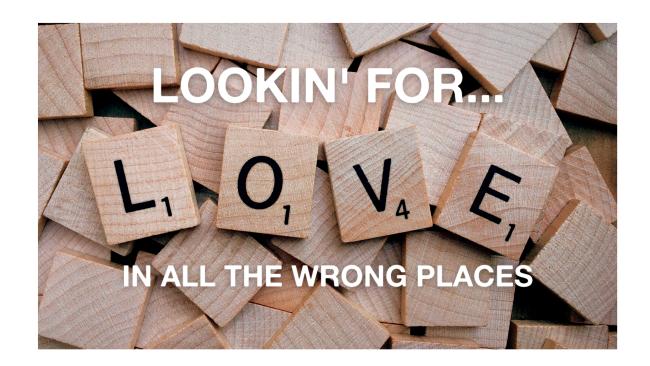
The Centre Church Easter Bunnies are gearing up to make Easter Baskets to benefit the children served by La Colaborativa. Last year, with the support of the congregation and the community, we made over 600 baskets! We are looking for donations of wrapped candy: chocolate eggs, candy kisses, chocolate bunnies, and bitesized candy bars would all be wonderful and appreciated. We can also use Easter baskets, small toys, and small stuffed animals. The green wagon will be in the Narthex to collect your donations. Join us to assemble Easter Baskets on Tuesday nights from 7-9 PM in Todd Hall beginning February 28 running through April 4.



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LENT 2 "Look for the Helper"

CENTRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

United Church of Christ 5 Summer Street, Lynnfield, Massachusetts

> March 5, 2023 10:00 am

WE GATHER

Prelude

Prelude on Sweet Hour Young

Welcome

Threshold

Show Us How to Love

words by Lindy Thompson music by Mark Miller

Hearts open, minds awake, change us now for heaven's sake.
Leave us not alone in hatred's wake.
Show us how to love.
Show us how to love.
Show us how, show us how to love.

Eyes open, shocked awake, much to learn from our mistakes.
Draw us closer in our heartache.
Show us how to love.
Show us how to love.
Show us how, show us how to love.

Confession and Assurance

Let us pray: Holy and Merciful One, in this season of discernment we come bringing our deepest longings, and our failed attempts at satisfying them. We have often looked for love, for acceptance and security, in formulas that will assure success at the expense of staying tuned to the Spirit's nudge.

*stand as you are able

All Who Gather

1 All who hunger, gather gladly;
holy manna is our bread.

Come from wilderness and wandering.
Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.

Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

2 All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.

Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.

We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.



3 All who hunger, sing together;
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.



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Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

2 Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure. 3 Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.



People: We yearn for lives that matter, we desire relationships that thrive, we want less regret.

Rev. Lori: At times we fail to see that you have already given us what really matters: your love and acceptance. You provide opportunities all around us to make a difference in the lives of others. You give us a fresh start each day, inviting us to do better. In this silence, we bring to you our pleas for openness to a different way of living.

~Silence~

My friends, be assured by the Psalmist who says, "The Lord will keep your life... you're going out and you're coming in from this time on and forevermore."

Let us respond together:

All: We open our hearts, our minds, our souls, our vision to the ways of love created by God, embodied in Jesus, and already moving in us by the Spirit. We are forgiven, loved, and freed! Amen!

Opening Hymn

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

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WE PROCLAIM Mini Message

Rev. Lori

The First Reading

Psalm 121 Jeff Langill

Word in Music

Dona Nobis Pacem Arr Hopson

The Gospel

John 3:1-7 Jeff Langill

Sermon

"From "Help!" to Helper"

Rev. Lori Wyckoff

WE RESPOND

Prayers of the People Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison

Prayers for the World Prayers for Our Community

Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison

The 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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

Call to the Offering

Offertory For This Bread, For This Wine Purifoy

*Hymn of Praise (unison)

Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Living God, whom we adore

Prayer of Dedication

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Communion Hymn

All Who Hunger

Tune: HOLY MANNA

Words of Remembrance

Communion Prayer

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, for loving us from our shouts of, "Help" all the way to becoming loving helpers, we thank you. When we doubt, you bolster our faith with love in the form of bread, cup, and fellowship at your table. May it be so forever and ever, as you have promised and delivered us in Christ Jesus. Amen.

WE GO FORTH

Announcements

Closing Hymn

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Benediction

Postlude

Praising The Almighty

Broughton

Our ushers today are George Hayden, Steve Riley, Kathi Martin, and Dwight Decker.

Our Coffee Hour hosts today are Annmarie Pendola and Nancy Lauzon.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Margaret Waugh in loving memory of her parents, Lillian and Robert Cummings.