

Welcome to Church of Christ - July 5, 2026
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost & Communion
We are honored to worship God with you today!

Welcome

Please put away your phones so that we may be truly present. Thank you!

Prelude *Meditation on BEACH SPRING* - Traditional American tune, arr. E. Krouse

Call to Worship (adapted from Micah 6 and Deuteronomy 10) ~Tina Olsen

Leader: What does the Lord require of people and nations?

People: That we do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

Leader: God is mighty and awesome, is not partial and takes no bribe;
God executes justice for the orphan and the widow.

**People: God loves the strangers, providing food and clothing;
we are called to love them, as we were once strangers in Egypt.**

Leader: Honor and serve the Lord, swearing by God's holy name.

**People: God has done these great and awesome things;
may every voice be lifted in praise and glory to God. Amen!**

Moment of Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (trespasses/debts)

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 (debts), as we forgive those who trespass against us (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.

Hymn 689 *One Bread, One Body* (Worship and Rejoice)

Vs 1 One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Gentile or Jew, servante of free, woman or man, no more.

Vs 2 One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

Vs 3 One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

All are welcome to partake. Grape juice, not wine, is served.

Invitation**Consecration and Service**

Prayer of Gratitude (unison) – Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace. Amen

Scripture

Matthew 11:16-19, 28-30

~Tina Olsen

"But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds. Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Sermon

"A Declaration of Interdependence"

Hymn 477*Come and Find the Quiet Center**(Worship and Rejoice)*

Please remain seated:

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Light of Service*Winchester Youth Service Bureau (NWCT YMCA)*

~Catharina Ohm

We have a chance to offer financial gifts in support of Spirit-led work. Undesignated gifts go to the recipient named above. Please use the white envelopes in the pews to designate giving otherwise. There is no obligation, and we always welcome prayers for our LOS recipients. Thank you!

Offertory

HOLY MANNA - American Folk tune

Doxology (two versions are offered) 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. OR: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication**Sharing Joys and Church Life Updates****Sharing Prayer Concerns****Silent Prayer and Meditation**

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn *In This Time of Great Reflection* - Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
Written for America's 250th

Vs 1 In this time of great reflection on two hundred fifty years, we remember, as a nation, times we've prospered, times of tears. "We shall be," a preacher told us, "as a city on a hill" — not to praise us but to warn us: we've a duty to fulfill.

Vs 2 Here is what holds us together: mercy, love, community. We're to seek to care for neighbors in a just society. If we fail to help the needy and to build a land that's just, we will simply be a by-word as the world looks on at us.

Vs 3 We recall our nation's story. Keep us honest, God above! In our quest for wealth and glory, we have injured ones you love. Through enslavement, through displacement, we have chosen ways of sin. We've been violent. We've stayed silent. So our light of love stays dim.

Vs 4 Will we work for racial justice? Will we turn from fear and hate? What is now the public witness that you call us to create? As we celebrate our country, help us, Lord, to understand: All of us must share the bounty and the goodness of the land.

Vs 5 In this time, O God, restore us to the land we're called to be — where all people here among us know your blest community. May we seek to be that city, not with pride but as a prayer. May we love and serve you humbly, in our land and everywhere.

Our Common Commission

Let us go forth into the world in peace, being of good courage, holding fast to that which is good, rendering to no one evil for evil, strengthening the faint-hearted, supporting the weak, helping the afflicted, honoring all persons, loving and serving the Lord, and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Benediction

Postlude *How Firm a Foundation* - Traditional American tune, arr. R. Powell
Please remain seated to listen or depart quietly.

We gladly list these prayer concerns and ask you to keep us apprised of any updates so that we have the most current information.

**If you would like a pastoral visit please call or email Pastor Erick
(860-303-0910, reverendole@gmail.com).**

Members needing our prayers:

Patty Cammilletti, Steven, Tina & Aaliyah Chausse, Hope Childs, Linda Creedon, Bonnie Greenwood, Holly Kelsey, Will Kelsey, Arlene Patten, Dan Patten, Cindy Sinclair, Ann Thew, John Thew

**Ongoing concerns for our
relatives and friends:**

Annattie P., Eric, Jo, Kim (Sue Allen), Susannah, Katie B., Kelly W. (Sue Allen), Nell, Andrew Anderson (Ruth Adotte), Jay Atkinson, Ray Beyers & Misty Carbone, Andrea Blacklow (Kristin Mudge's friend), Edie Bruckner, Ron and Rev. Karen Burger (Gary Boucher), Leigh Cappabianca (Missionary in Turkey), Jan Caudle (Nels White's sister), Lisa Dedon, Carol Emerson (Nancy Herzig's sister), John Funchion, Fran and Arnold Gellman (Tina Olsen), Deryl, D'Ari, Amaya, Linden Godshall (Liz Allyn), Dennis Carr Hannifin (Sally Carr's son), Olivia Howard (Ky Byrne's cousin), Pat Lowell, Rick Martin (Ruth Adotte), Patty Minton (Maresi Brown's mother), Lynn and Rich Reifsnnyder, Abby Rockwood (Olsen family friend), Bobbi Sue & Ira Root, Constance Rotondo (Jane Williams), Mark Scarbrough, Laura Smith (Missionary in Venezuela), Karen Stark (Debbie Storrs), Ryan Sterba, Barbara Storrs (Debbie Storrs), Wendy DeRoode (Liz Allyn), Rob Thew, Sue Ellen Thomas (Pastor Erick's sister), Dennis Watlington (Tim Hitchcock), Judi Welch, Keegan Zygmunt

Those who are grieving; the families of:

Denis Combes, Ernest Dibble, Jimmy Dietlin, George Green, Judy Green, Jackie Hamad, Harold King, Karen Linden, Remington McCaw, Will Minton, John Murphy, Avery Nelson, Elizabeth Norman, Bill Patrick, Thatcher Rupert, Mary Sager, Dottie Satherlie, Chris Williams

In the wider community

The people of Haiti, Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, Venezuela, Syria, Iran, Africa and all enduring ongoing violence, The people of Jamaica struggling to rebuild after Hurricane Melissa, Winchester Youth Service Bureau (NWCT YMCA)