

# Second Congregational Church

Cohasset, Massachusetts



March 23, 2025

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March 16, 2025

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent (violet)

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“Inch by inch, row by row, gonna make this garden grow.” – from “*The Gardening Song*”

PRELUDE

J. S. Bach

Prelude in B minor (transcribed by A. Siloti)

*As the prelude begins, let the music help you enter into the spirit of worship and prayer.*

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER

*from the Prophet Isaiah*

Leader: Hear, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;

**Many: And you who have no money, come, buy and eat!**

Leader: Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

**Many: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,**

Leader: And your earnings for that which does not satisfy?

**Many: Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.**

Leader: Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

**Many: I will make with you an everlasting covenant.**

\*ALL

We hear these sensual words, this invitation to feast upon good things, in the midst of the Lenten season, this time of holding appetites in check. We hear these words on this

first springtime Sunday, as ground softens but seeds do not yet sprout. Spirit of Jesus, you called your followers to turn things around, as you made your way toward your own suffering and death. Spirit of Jesus, may we hear your call to repent alongside this call to feast. May we be nourished by making whatever changes we each need to make. May we find life and life abundant in the midst of the suffering and death that marks our way through shadowy valleys. *Amen.*

\*HYMN #585

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

OFFERING

Words of Gratitude

Offertory Music

H. Zimmer

Day One - from *Interstellar*

\*Doxology (No. 625) and Offertory Prayer

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

ANTHEM

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke (13: 1-9)

REFLECTION

***“A Hard Fruit to Grow”***

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

\*HYMN #170

*One Day*

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

S. Joplin

Original Rags (1899)

*Please be seated and enjoy the Postlude in silence  
as we prepare to go out for service in the world*



*The flowers today are donated today by Judith Bucher.*

Minister	Jonathan Pierce
Music Director	Jin Kim
Musician	Konstantinos Papadakis
Ushers/Greeters	Pattie Mazules & Herb Marsh
Fellowship	Marcia Diekmann & Pattie Mazules
Reader	Jeff Nothnagle
Hostess	Liz Laas

<b>Week at-a-glance</b>			
<b>Day</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	Traditional Service	<b>9:30</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	Fellowship	10:30	Bates Hall
	Deacon's Mtg	10:45	Library
	Sunday Reflection	11:30	Sanctuary
	Atlantic Symphony Concert	4:00	Sanctuary
<b>Wednesday</b>	Lenten Reflection	<b>11:30</b>	Sanctuary
	Bible Study	Noon	Bates Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	Choir Rehearsal	7:00	Bates Hall
<b>Friday</b>	M+ <i>Friday Reflection</i>	9:30	Bates Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	Choir Rehearsal	8:45	Sanctuary
	Worship	9:30	Sanctuary
	Fellowship	10:30	Bates Hall
	Sunday Reflection	11:30	Sanctuary