

# *Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

## *July 24, 2022*

10:00 A.M.



*(You are invited to a time of quiet preparation for worship during the Prelude.)*

Prelude                      *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*                      arr. Wilson

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Informal Moments

*This is the day the Lord has made... Let us rejoice and be glad in it.* Psalm 118:24

A Word about Summerfest: Roger Whitney, Summerfest Chair

Musical Introit                      *Lord Prepare Me (To be a Sanctuary)*                      Improvisation

### **\*Call to Worship**

One: We gather in gratitude to rejoice in the Holy One.

**Many: We come in love, joy, faith, and hope! Breathe your energizing spirit into our hearts, O God!**

One: We assemble as people called to community by and with the Redeemer.

**Many: O God of Renewal, make us alive in Christ!**

One: We come open to the possibilities made new by our Creator.

**Many: Revive us, O God, to go forward in Christ!**

\*Gathering Hymn                      *This Little Light of Mine*                      No. 364

### **Unison Prayer of Invocation**

**Compassionate One, your love sustains us, molds us, and empowers us. May we dwell in that love as you dwell in us—faithfully, joyfully, and abundantly. Renew us as your people grounded in you and flourishing with you. Amen.**

Instrumental Anthem                      *There Is a Fountain*                      arr. Mark Hayes

Hymn Sing #1 – You are invited to call out a hymn (name and hymn number) you'd like to sing; first and last verses.

Scripture

Luke 11:9-13

Reader: Paul Cappers

Moments for Gratitude

\*Hymn

*For the Fruit of All Creation*

No. 527

**Pastoral Prayer and 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 Invitation

Offertory Music

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

arr. Mark Hayes

\*Doxology

No. 46

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God for all that Love has done  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

**\*Blessing for the Offering:**

**God our Companion, receive these gifts as seeds to be nurtured and grown into new abundance, more possibilities, and magnifying gifts for all your people. Amen.**

Hymn Sing #2 – Congregation's choices! First and last verses.

Benediction

Sung Benediction

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.*

*God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.*

Postlude

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

arr. Thallander/Wilkin



*\*All who are able may stand.*

**Those serving you today:**

**Bell Ringer:** *Brad Adler*

**Ushers:** *Ruth Gilbert and Tom Beane*

**Flowers:** *Cindy Clement*

**Interim Minister:** *Rev. Dr. Amy Lignitz Harken*

**Organist:** *Joel Pierce*

**Sexton:** *Mary McKinney*

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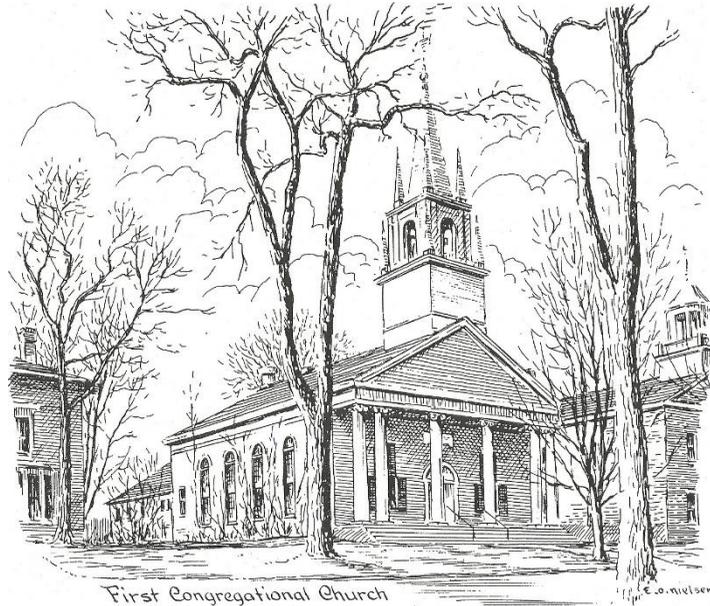
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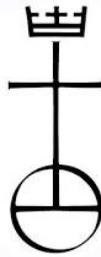
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We welcome you to the First Congregational Church of Wiscasset.  
We are an open and affirming congregation and are open theologically,  
growing spiritually, and concerned socially.



**July 24, 2022**

**Coming Up This Week:**

Monday, July 25, Game Night 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Sunday, July 31: Worship 10am

**Book Discussion Group**

Mark your calendars for Thursday afternoons in August for an in-person discussion of *The Good Life: Where Morality & Spirituality Converge* by Richard Gula (1999, Paulist Press). We'll meet at 1:30 p.m. in the parlor for rich, informal conversation about our lives as children of God. Bring a beverage and a friend! Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Amy Lignitz Harken, [revlignitzharken@gmail.com](mailto:revlignitzharken@gmail.com). Please e-mail Amy to learn more, or to say you'll be coming.

**Supporting the Ministry of our Church**

Thank you for your continued support in sustaining our ministries Offerings can be mailed to the church at: First Congregational Church, P.O. Box 350, Wiscasset, ME 04578. Thank you!

## **Luke 11:9-13**

**9 "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.**

**10 For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.**

**11 Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?**

**12 Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?**

**13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"**