



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Order of Worship
**All who are able please stand*

February 1, 2015 Communion Sunday 10:00 AM

Meditation

*"To have faith is to risk sinning."
~Martin Luther~*

PRELUDE: *"I Will Sing of my Redeemer"* Jay Chandler
James McGranahan, Arr. Cindy Berry

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS*** Pastor Frank
****If you have an announcement to share, please come to the front of the church.*

***INVOCATION** (*responsively*) Pastor Frank
In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #251(red)**
"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Joan Mellanson

Leader: Let us prepare our hearts to participate in the sacred mystery
And receive the sacrament of the precious Body and Blood
Of Jesus Christ.

People: **Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires
known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy
Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify
thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

CALL TO CONFESSION Pastor Frank

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Leader: Let us confess our sin and receive grace from the ocean of mercy
which flows from the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Let us pray:

All: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy
ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of
our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left
undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those
things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon
us. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those
who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto us all in Christ
Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may
hereafter live an abundant life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM Choir
MISSION MOMENT: Julie Meehan, Executive Director of the CAC
SACRED BLESSING OF THE DEACONS

"JESUS LOVES ME" Jay Chandler
*(Children are dismissed during "Jesus Loves Me"
for Sunday School. The children will return for the Sacrament of Holy Communion)*

SCRIPTURES Joan Mellanson

OLD TESTAMENT: **Isaiah 6: 1-13**

GOSPEL ALLELUIA #736 (*please stand to sing*)

GOSPEL: **Mark 1: 21-28**
Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

***GLORIA PATRI #734 (blue)**
***HYMN ##335(Red)** *"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"*
SERMON "Divine Presence in the Temple" Pastor Frank

***HYMN #408(blue)** **"I Am Thine, O Lord"**

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE Choir
OFFERTORY: *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* Jay Chandler
William Bradbury, Arr. Cindy Berry
***The 1st Sunday of the month loose cash goes to the Diaconate Fund for outreach.*

***DOXOLOGY #34 (blue) #514 (red)**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

****Note:** **Red** is wine and **white** is grape juice.

INVITATION: *(responsively)*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PREFACE PRAYER

RESPONSE OF PRAISE: *(sung together)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might.

Heaven and earth are full, of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

(be seated at close)

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

(Please wait until all have been served so as to share together)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***CLOSING HYMN #559(blue) “Here I Am, Lord”**

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

Choir

Jay Chandler

Mrs. L.D. Martin and Charles Gabriel, Arr.Dino Kartsonakis



*Altar Flowers given by the Orwig Family in memory of
their dear Aunt Louise Barnhart*

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*As the First Congregational Church of Gardner, our Mission together
through Jesus Christ is to nurture, inspire and support ourselves and each
other in our daily lives through worship, fellowship, education and service so
that we may reflect God's love and grace in our homes, our community and
the world.*