

Offering

Offertory

“Sonfonia 5”

(J.S. Bach)

Presentation of Gifts

(hymnal #94)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts:
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts;
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Prayer of Dedication of the Offering (unison)

May the gifts that we bring show that God’s Realm is at hand and may they point to the dawning of God’s new day. Amen.

Going Out to Do God’s Word

The Life and Mission of the Church

*Hymn

“Forth in Thy Name, O Lord ”

(Hymnal #438)

*Benediction

Postlude

“Our Father in the Highest Heaven”

(J.S. Bach)

Coffee: Vicki Trueman

Ushers: The LeBlanc Family, Paula, Dylan and Delainey

Scripture reader: Bob Driver

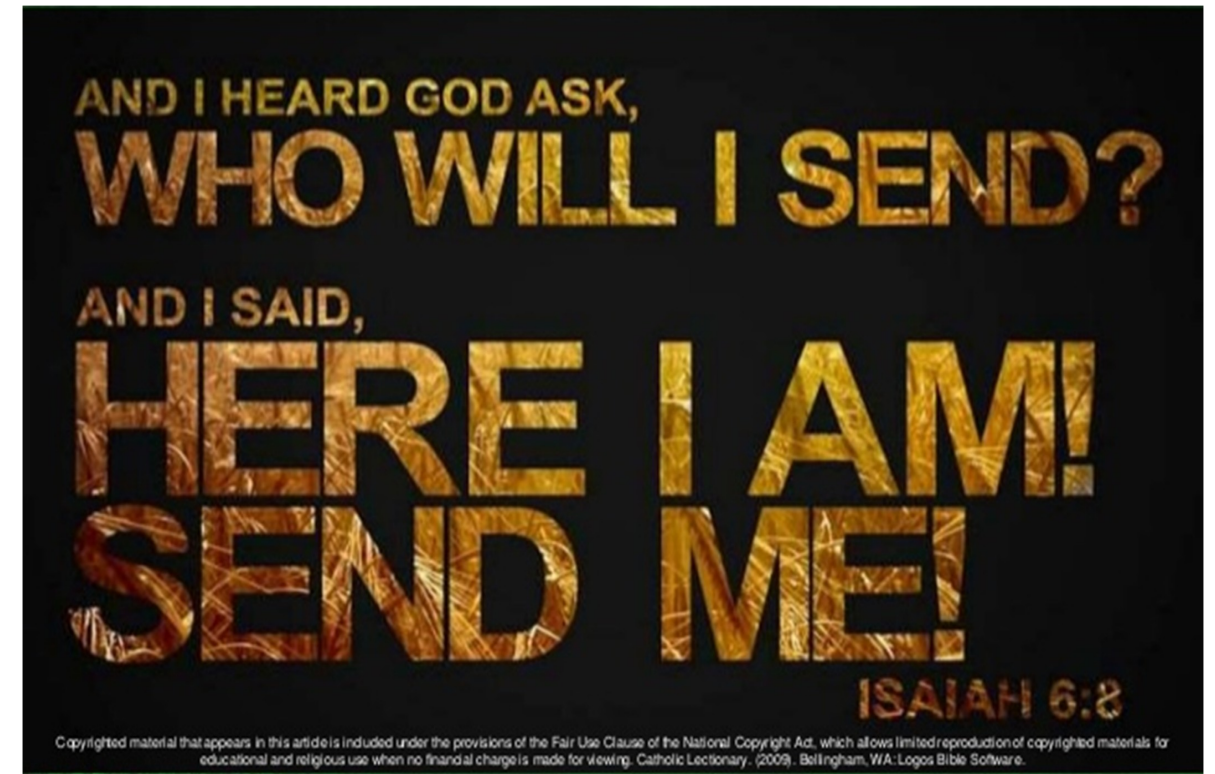
Should you need a ride to church or events for any reason, contact donnafellngervt@gmail.com.

Williston Federated Church

*United Methodist Church and United Church of Christ – Federated 1899
An Open and Affirming, Reconciling Congregation*

Mission Statement

Our church is a community which seeks, welcomes and gathers people to share the Gospel of God’s love, enables people to find fullness of life through Jesus Christ, goes into the world to live lovingly and justly as servants of Christ, and responds actively to human need.



Ministers ~ The People of the Church

Pastor ~ Reverend Paul Eyer 878-5792, pastoreyer@gmail.com

Emeritus Pastor ~ Charlie Magill

Lay Leader ~ Ashley Dubois,

Church Office Administrator ~ Sally Nowotarski

Music Director ~ Martin Hain, Organist ~ Carolyn Pillsbury

Choir Accompanist ~ Cindy Thurston Nursery Caregiver ~ Michelle Davis

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Welcome To All Who Worship Here!

May 27, 2018 ~ 9:30 A.M.

Childcare is available downstairs in the nursery for children up to age three.
Hearing assistance devices are available – please ask an usher for assistance.

* Where the asterisk appears you are invited to rise in body or in spirit.

Please join us after worship for a time of fellowship and light refreshments downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

Welcome / Call to Worship

Ashley Dubois, Lay Leader
Williston Federated Church

Call to Worship

One: God beyond all names and images,

All: We worship you in faith.

One: God in the Christ with human face,

All: We worship you in truth.

One: God who moves, draws, forms and enlightens our life,

All: We worship you in Spirit.

One: God in relationship, God the beginning and God the end,

All: You are our God.

Prelude

“Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide”

(Robert Hughes)

Centering words

*O Holy Trinity, you who are beyond all, and at the heart of everything, and living in me,
I open myself to you.*

Steve Garnaas-Holmes, Unfolding Light

Greeting

Lighting the Peace Candle

***Sharing the Peace of Christ** (a brief time of greeting other worshippers nearby)

*Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

(Hymnal #64)

Prayer for Trinity Sunday

All: God of grace and glory, make your presence known to us as we worship this morning. Jesus our Christ, may your name be praised from the rising of the sun to the midnight hour, may your name always be honored among us. Spirit of holiness, breathe on us all and bind us in Christian love and servanthood. Amen.

Anthem:

“Sing to the Lord with a Joyful Sound”

by Jill Gallina

Listening for God’s Word

Scriptures:

Isaiah 6: 1-8

Old Testament page 635-636

Message

“Awesome!”

Pastor Paul Eyer

Hymn

“Awesome God ”

(repeat four times)

(Songbook #38)

Responding to God’s Word

Celebrations & Concerns and Prayer Requests

Prayers of the People

Pastor: Lord of life and love,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer (*unison*)

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, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 24 - 28th

God's Heroes Have Courage!

Register at <http://hc.cokesburyvbs.com/WFC> and spread the word about this amazing opportunity for food, fun and fellowship!

We can't wait to see you there!



WANTED: used jewelry in support of UMC Conference Youth Programs - Rebecca Dubois, Lay Delegate from WFC & Carol Bouchard, Equalization Member are seeking donations of new and gently used jewelry to take to Annual Conference in June. The jewelry will be sold to raise money for youth programming in the New England Conference such as: Taizé scholarships - Mission of Peace scholarships - Exploration conferences for youth/young adults sensing the call to ministry - Mission trips - Creating new youth programs within the New England boundaries. Jewelry may be left in the box on the table as you enter Fellowship Hall through June 10th.

SANCTUARY WINDOWS ...If you wish to open and/or close the sanctuary storm windows this summer, note of the following: - Only the sanctuary window units have functioning storm sashes. The hallway and staircase storm windows are not operable.- The storm sashes that do function are quite HEAVY. Lift firmly under the metal lip at the base of the storm and the sashes' spring-lock pins will lock into their first position about 2 inches up. The spring-locks can then be released by pulling inward on the finger holds and the storm raised further, or lowered back down, from there. - IT IS THE LAST BIT OF LOWERING THAT IS POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS.

Liturgical resources:

The **Call to Worship** is adapted from a liturgy by Rex A. E. Hunt of the Uniting Church of Australia entitled "Liturgy for the Celebration of Life" found at http://www.rexaehuntprogressive.com/liturgy_collection/year_b_liturgy_collection/year_b_pentecostafter/trinityb362012.html. Rev. Hunt had adapted this component from an earlier liturgy by Pitt St. Uniting/eoj. The **Centering Words** are by Rev. Steve Garnaas-Holmes, found in "Unfolding Light" (www.unfoldinglight.net). The **Prayer for Trinity Sunday** was adapted from "Life in Liturgy by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) found at <https://lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com/2015/05/21/trinity-sunday-b/>. The **Prayer of Dedication** was inspired by "A Litany of Dedication" by Michael Bausch from *Bread for the Journey: Resources for Worship* edited by Ruth C. Duck (Pilgrim Press, 1981) at page 72.

Williston Federated Church ~ Week of May 27, 2018

Wednesday, May 30~ Men's Breakfast; 7:00pm AA Meeting

Thursday, May 31 ~ 8:00am Centering Prayer; 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, June 1~ 7:00am Men's Bible Study

Saturday, June 2 ~ 9:00am Alanon

Sunday, June 3~ 9:30 Worship Service

FATHERS DAY CARDS FOR STEEPLE

I would like to thank everyone who purchased one of my handmade Mother's Day cards. We raised \$100, which have been donated to the Steeple Fund. Due to the success of this effort, I will be selling Father's Day cards in June, donating all proceeds again to the Steeple Fund. Melissa Delisle

ANNUAL MEETING is scheduled for Sunday June 17. Please join us following our worship service that day for this important congregational meeting.

SUMMER WORSHIP

The Music and Worship Committee is asking for your input on the pro's and con's of holding services in the Fellowship Hall vs. Sanctuary (or both). Please take a moment to add your comments, thoughts or suggestions to the poster board during coffee hour (or any time you're in the building). You may also email your input to Donna Fellingner: donnafellnergvt@gmail.com. Thank you.

GIVE A PHONE...Save a Life - New England Conference UMC in partnership with Safe Havens Interfaith Partnership Against Domestic Violence, is launching a cell phone drive. The used cell phones that we collect will be reprogrammed to call 911 and other emergency numbers, without the need of a cellular service plan and without a fee. If you have a cell phone you no longer need, please drop it in the basket on the table outside Fellowship Hall through June 10th. Rebecca Dubois, Conference Delegate and Carol Bouchard Equalization Member to New England Conference UMC will deliver to NEAC June 14th.

On Sunday, June 3 at 2:00 p.m., Laura Cadmus, daughter of Marcia Cadmus (and a daughter of our congregation) will appear before an Ecclesiastical Council as a candidate for ordination by the Vermont Conference of the United Church of Christ. This Ecclesiastical Council, which will take place at Barre Congregational Church in Barre, VT, is usually the final step prior to ordination itself.

At this meeting, Laura will make a presentation based upon her ordination paper. The presentation and examination is meant to demonstrate Laura's readiness for ministry, her grasp of Christian history and theology and her ability to think about the relation between the church and the world. The examination is not limited to the presentation or the ordination paper of the candidate, but may include other questions pertaining to readiness for pastoral ministry.

A PLEA FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE - We have been working diligently for the past two months to fill vacancies on the various church committees. We have reached out to 33 folks. Some of you have responded yes to our invitation to serve and for that we say thank you! We still have several positions to fill on these 5 committees: Education, Youth Ministry, Finance, Trustees and Pastor Staff Relations. We are only asking for a one year commitment. That's one meeting each month beginning in July. Please consider where God might be calling you to serve and contact a member of the Nominating Committee: Carol Bouchard, Rebecca Dubois, Donna Goodheart or Sylvia Maloney.

Book Club Summer Reading

Thank you to Jane Stickney for hosting the May meeting. Our book choice for September is 'The Twelve Lives of Samuel Hawley' by Hannah Tinti. Good Reads gives this description: **A father protects his daughter from the legacy of his past and the truth about her mother's death in this thrilling new novel from the prize-winning author of *The Good Thief*.** Enjoy your summer reading and let me know if you would like to host the next meeting.

Friday Morning Men's 7:00am Bible Study

is looking at the lectionary readings for the week, thinking about them, and discussing their meaning for our lives. After the meetings everyone who has time is invited to go out to breakfast together. All the men associated with the church are encouraged to join the group, for one Friday or for more. For additional information, contact Ken Stone, kmstonevt@aol.com