**Worship from Home**

**First Congregational Church of Blue Hill, UCC**

**Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time, August 7, 2022**

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude Anne Parker

Call to Worship

**One:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Many: And also with you.**

**One:** Creator resides in the midst of creation…calling us to this community. **Many: Our world waits for the Holy One, our help and shield.  
One:** God our Righteousness gazes upon the beloved with delight and concern. **Many: Our bodies wait for the Holy One, our help and shield.  
One:** The Spirit of the Living God greets us with fresh winds and new mercies. **Many: Our souls wait for the Holy One, our help and shield.**

Hymn *“Come and Find the Quiet Center”*

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.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,

God it is who speaks and names us, know our being, touches base,

Making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show sun,

Raising courage when we’re shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other’s pain,

Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we fain:

There’s a place for deepest dreaming, there’s a time for heart to care,

In the Spirit’s lively scheming, there is always room to spare!

Unison Prayer of Invocation

**Abundant God, we wait for you with longing, hope, and anticipation. May your kin-dom be realized in this community. May your people be your ambassadors. May your love be our propeller in the world and our beacon to direct us home. Fill us with the bread of life and nourish our spirits to be your good news in the world. Amen.**

Stewardship Moment

Musical Reflection *BHCC Music Consort*

A Reading from The Epistles [Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16](https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=274)

A Reading from the Gospels Luke 12:13-21; 32-40

Sermon *“There Will Your Hearts Be”* Pastor Lisa

Musical Reflection *BHCC Music Consort*

Hymn *“With Grateful Heart I Thank You Lord”*

I thank you Lord, for each new day, for meadows white with dew,

For the sun’s warm hand upon the earth, for skies of endless blue,

For fruit and flower, for lamb and leaf, for every bird that sings,

with grateful heart I thank you, Lord, for all those simple things.

I thank you, Lord for wind and rain and for the silver moon,

For every daisy’s lifted face, for every lovely tune,

For winter’s white, for autumn’s gold, for harvest and for home,

With grateful heart I thank you, Lord for each food gift I own.

I thank you, Lord, for hand and heart to offer up your praise.

I thank you, Lord, for tongue to speak of all your loving ways.

For health and strength, for work and play, for loved ones far and near,

With grateful heart I thank you, Lord, for all that I hold dear.

Prayers of the People *(sharing of joys and concerns)*

The Lord’s Prayer

Choral Response

Invitation to Give

Offertory Anthem *“My Grateful Heart”*

My grateful heart, so filled with years of living.

Memories flow by me like petals on a stream.

My grateful heart forgives so many sorrows,

Bring peace that lasts forever, illuminates the dream.

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below.**

**Praise God above the heavenly host. Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

**Generous One, receive the gifts we bring as we return a portion of your treasure to the use of your kin-dom. May your will be manifested and your creation restored through sharing these offerings. Amen.**

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

**INVITATION**

**CONSECRATION**

**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP** Music from Anne Parker

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Loving God, as we have received these gifts of bread and wine, you have fed us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you for assuring us of your goodness and love, and that we are members of his body. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kin-dom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Hymn #448 NCH  *“Take My Life and Let It Be”*

Take my life, God, let it be consecrated faithfully.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my spirit, let it move at the impulse of your love

Take my intellect and use all its powers as you choose.

Take my will; your will be done! Make your will and mine be one.

Take my heart, and by your grace make of it your dwelling place.

Take my love and help it grow; let my loving overflow.

Take me now, and help me be part of Christ’s community.

Benediction

Postlude Anne Parker

***Treasures in Heaven*: Service Prayers for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost** were written by Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology, United Church of Christ.